

MINNESOTA HUNTER JUMPER ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes

March 1, 2010

Held at Franz Repro

In attendance:

Name	Present	Name	Present	Name	Present	Name	Present
G. Novak	X	J. Erickson		T. Johnson	X	L. Ostberg	X
G. Brandt	X	P. Franz	X	B. Kieffer	X	N. Reid	X
L. Brustman	X	S. Golden	X	J. McCaffrey	X	S. Riley	
M. J. Cody	X	T. Grandstrand	X	B. Nay	X		

Meeting was called to order by G. Novak.

1. **Minutes:** P. Franz moved and B. Kieffer seconded approving the minutes from the previous meeting. The motion carried.
2. **Treasurer's Report:** J. McCaffrey presented the February finances. There is \$15,592 in the checking account at the end of February. There is \$31,873 in savings and \$4,674 in the Horse Show account. J. McCaffrey and G. Novak will be the two signers on the checking and savings accounts. G. Brandt moved and L. Ostberg seconded approving the Treasurer's Report. The motion passed. A thank you note was received from Mary Gibbs and from the Humane Society for donations made in memory of Bill Gibbs.
3. **Opportunity Circuit:** A proposal for the Opportunity classes had been sent out previously by B. Kieffer. T. Grandstrand moved and G. Novak seconded approving this new circuit; the motion carried and will begin with our MHJA May show. Information will be sent out to tack shops, Twin Cities Combined Training, the pony club, and put on the MHJA website and facebook page.
4. **Horse Show:** In 2009 we had \$38,000 in revenue and \$48,000 in expenses. In 2010, judges will work for \$100 less per day than last year. The proposed budget for this year is \$36,000 in revenue and \$35,000 in expenses. We have 6 White Bear Lake business sponsorships. The WBL Country Inn and Suites will have special room rates of \$39.00/night in exchange for advertising. Tack shops are helping with prizes. The show schedule was presented by B. Kieffer for approval. There were the following comments: Move the Hunter Challenge class to Friday afternoon, move Limit Adult and Low Amateur Hunters to Saturday, and move the Adult Amateur Hunters to Sunday. Change the Mini Prix to a 1.0 meter Jumper Derby similar to River Bend. It was suggested that Kathy Ott should comment on the jumper schedule as she brings several jumper riders.
5. **Clinic:** Michael Page was suggested as a possible clinician; he is a former Olympic medalist in Eventing and has judged equitation finals. Future clinics should try for east and west metro locations and be revenue neutral. Partnering with a local barn is also possible.
6. **ProJAM:** The cost would be \$20/horse and rider combination. \$10 of this would be for prizes with an anticipated \$500 in prizes available at the end of the 6 show circuit. There would be no cost for Professional riders. It would be held at the following 6 shows: MHJA show, both Alpine shows, River Bend, Carriage House and Otter Creek. Sign up could be at schooling day at the MHJA and Alpine show, or, on the entry blank for these shows. G. Brandt moved and J. McCaffrey seconded that the budget be \$600.00; the

motion carried. G. Brandt moved to approve the budget, B. Kieffer seconded the motion. The motion carried.

7. **Banquet:** The 2010 Banquet will be held at the Metropolitan off of I-394, and catered by D'Amico. This will be more cost effective than the IMS location and appears to be a more functional space for us as well.
8. **Juniors:** S. Golden indicated that they have started a facebook page. The Juniors will plan some Junior games and activities at the MHJA Horse Show.
9. **2010 Board Meeting Dates:** G. Novak indicated that some Board meeting dates will need to change. Following are the new Board meeting dates agreed upon for 2010: April 12, June 28, August 30, October 18, November 1, and December 13.
10. **Website:** G. Brandt is working with Jack Marshall to update the classified ads, Board meeting dates, and other areas of the website.
11. **Newsletter:** P. Franz would like to see the Newsletter have more ads; they will coordinate these with our website ads. Anne Meyer is coordinating the "Eyes, Ears and Tails" articles.
12. **Maffitt Lakes Horse Show approvals:** After some discussion it was agreed that the fall Maffitt Lakes shows will not be approved by the MHJA this year. G. Brandt has been in contact with Maffitt Lakes and they have indicated that they will try to meet the MHJA specifications with their August (summer) shows. G. Brandt moved that we approve the August horse shows contingent on Maffitt Lakes implementing the changes that she sent to them. B. Kieffer seconded the motion. The motion carried.

M. J. Cody moved and B. Kieffer seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried; meeting was adjourned.