

MINNESOTA HUNTER JUMPER ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes

August 24, 2009

Held at Franz Repro

In attendance:

Name	Present	Name	Present	Name	Present	Name	Present
G. Brandt	X	S. Golden		L. Ostberg	X	M. Genereux	
S. Clayton		V. Holst		N. Reid	X	D. Hudlow	X
L. Danielson	X	T. Johnson	X	S. Riley	X	L. Jensen	
J. Erickson	X	J. McCaffrey	X	J. Schulz	X	Membership:	
P. Franz	X	G. Novak	X	K. Watson	X	B. Kieffer	X

Meeting was called to order by G. Brandt.

- Affiliate Sportsmanship Nominees:** Criteria for this award include sportsmanship, leadership, citizenship and volunteerism. Categories are Amateur, Junior and Trainer. There were several nominees for each category and much discussion. A vote was held and the following are to be nominated: Amateur: Tammy Johnson, Junior: Danny Hudlow, Trainer: Diane Stockstead. G. Brandt will provide the write-up for Tammy, J. Schulz will provide the write-up for Danny, T. Johnson will provide the write-up for Diane.
- Treasurer's Report:** J. Erickson provided the Year to Date budget for review. Membership dues are down this year approximately \$2,000. There will be no additional clinic costs this year above the minimal expenses paid for the spring event. There will not be a fall clinic. The Horse Show lost approximately \$9,800. The Banquet will be November 21. We need to provide Year End Awards for 49 divisions: 11 equitation divisions, 37 hunter and jumper divisions, 1 Hunter Challenge division. We have a cooler for the Hunter Challenge Champion, prizes for the equitation divisions will be from local tack stores, we will talk with Patty Nelson about providing hunter and jumper prizes. G. Novak moved that \$75 per division be spent on all of the prizes. The motion was seconded by K. Watson. G. Brandt and K. Watson will verify the quantity of prizes left over from prior years. The motion passed. J. Erickson agreed to be the Year End Awards Committee Chair.
S. Riley moved that we take \$700 out of the Year End Meeting and \$300 out of the Junior Events budgets and add this into the Harvest Show dinner budget. P. Franz seconded the motion; the motion carried.
The Treasurer's Report passed on a motion made by K. Watson, seconded by J. Schulz.
- Nominating Committee:** G. Novak has 5 candidates that have agreed to run; he needs a total of 8. G. Brandt said that she would include a page on the Junior Representatives to be sent with the ballots.
- MHJA Horse Show 2010:** There was much discussion about next year's show. The present dates are good; first local show of the season. The location at Carriage House is also good and Ann Bower has said our costs to use the facility would be lower next year. We need to investigate a 4 day, 2 ring show in lieu of a 3 ring show in order to reduce costs. The grass hunter ring could be used as a hunter ring in the morning and a jumper ring in the afternoon, or, jumpers could move to the present schooling ring in the afternoon as options. There was also discussion about including the AQHA Hunter

classes in with our show to draw more entries. A task force of K. Watson, S. Riley, B. Kieffer and L. Ostberg was started. The goal of the task force is to present options for discussion at the September 21 Board meeting, and to present a proposal at the Annual Meeting October 19. S. Riley will establish a list of questions for trainers, K. Watson will put together a 2 ring, 4 day budget, G. Brandt will put a schedule together, B. Kieffer and L. Ostberg will contact AQHA about their hunter classes and affiliate show rules. K. Watson will establish a conference call with everyone this week to discuss.

5. **Other Business:**

T. Johnson keeps the year end point totals and asked if all the shortest stirrup classes, including hunter, equitation and opportunity, would all be considered one division, and, that points should be accrued by the rider, not the horse: that is correct.

K. Watson will talk with Barb Ahrens about the new horse show software to see if there is a way to extract data so that it can be ready for next year.

6. **Meeting Minutes:** J. Schulz moved and S. Riley seconded approving the Minutes from the April 13 Board Meeting and the June 29 Board Meeting. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting will be Monday evening, September 21, 2009 at Franz Repro.