

## MINNESOTA HUNTER JUMPER ASSOCIATION

### Board Meeting Minutes

October 14, 2013

Held at the Ostberg Architects, Saint Paul

#### In attendance:

Name	Present	Name	Present	Name	Present	Name	Present
Tracy Grandstrand	X	Sharon Golden		Patti Nelson	X	John Puckett	
Mary Armstrong	X	Betsy Kieffer	X	Linda Ostberg	X	Brenda Roloff	X
Thea Bailey	X	Sara Hogan	X	Heather Parish	X	Nicole Salazar	X
		Elzabeth Lampert	X	Stewart Underhill		Ashley Woodhouse	X

Tracy Grandstrand called the meeting to order.

1. **Minutes:** Ostberg moved and Salazar seconded approving the July Board meeting minutes. Woodhouse moved and Bailey seconded approving the September Board meeting minutes. The motions carried.
2. **Treasurer's Report:** Woodhouse provided the treasurer's report for the months of July, August and September. The months of July and August showed relatively little financial activity. In September, there were several expenses related to the Harvest Horse Show. As of September 30, there was \$17,250.35 in the MHJA Business Checking Account, \$5,221.03 in the Business Savings Account, \$15,511.37 in the Harvest Horse Show Checking Account, \$100.28 in the Harvest Horse Show Savings Account, \$10,080.92 in the MHJA Horse Show Checking Account, and \$100.28 in the MHJA Horse Show Savings Account, for a total of \$48,264.23. Armstrong moved and Lampert seconded approving the Treasurer's Reports for July, August and September. The motion passed.
3. **Harvest Horse Show:** Grandstrand reported that approximately \$160,000 had been deposited into the Harvest Horse Show account. This was about \$60,000 more than last year. Final numbers should be available by November. For next year, Grandstrand recommended that MHJA not pay Channel 15 to tape the Grand Prix as it has not been widely available to view. Nelson reported that Pat Boyle wants to hold more classes in the Ag Star Arena in the future. He has already invested some of his own money to improve the footing in the Ag Star warm-up area.
4. **Banquet:** The year-end banquet will be held on November 16. In order to encourage more timely RSVP's, the Board decided to offer a discount on ticket prices for those who respond by November 9. Lampert presented a letter that she would like to distribute to barns soliciting donations for the silent auction. Grandstrand proposed having a "new member table" close to the entrance. Quinn Leslie and some of the other juniors are putting together a slideshow. Kieffer reported that the Champion prizes will be scrimps and the reserve champion prizes will be New Market throws. Grandstrand will ask Anna Nordin if she is willing to prepare the Power Point presentation for the awards. She will also call Kevin Roloff and ask if he is interested in being the MC for the evening.
5. **Newsletter:** Parish reported that the latest newsletter has been mailed. Because the email address for the newsletter has changed, some content (such as Eyes and Ears contributions) was not received. We should make sure that the correct address is publicized, and contributors should ask for confirmation that their emails have been

received. The newsletter is seeking ads for its holiday edition. Year-end champions should be asked to send in photos for inclusion in the newsletter.

6. **USHJA Convention:** The annual convention is being held this year in Atlanta from December 8- 11. Kieffer attends as the affiliate representative of the MHJA and as Co-Chair of the Zone 6 Hunter Committee. The MHJA is seeking one additional representative to attend. Expenses are paid. Early registration is taking place until November 15. Parish will look into whether she can attend. Karla Watson has also expressed an interest if no other Board member can attend.
7. **Year-End Points:** Kieffer posed a question concerning 11 and under equitation points. It was decided that as long as the rider competed in at least three shows in either hunter or equitation classes or a combination of both, the equitation points would count.
8. **Membership:** Since Roloff is not running for re-election, a decision must be made as to who will succeed her as membership chair. We need to have an address for the membership renewal form. The discount for early renewal will be January 1.
9. **New Horse Show for 2014:** Grandstrand reported that Otter Creek has received approval for a new horse show during the last week in May. This would precede the usual two summer weeks at Mason City. She stated that the Urbans might be requesting approval to move the spring show to this same week.
10. **New Board Members:** At the November 4<sup>th</sup> meeting, ballots will be counted and new members determined.

Roloff moved and Bailey seconded adjourning the meeting. Motion carried: meeting was adjourned.