

# Minnesota Hunter Jumper Association

Board Meeting Minutes

July 25, 2017

Held at Leatherdale Equine Center

Name	Present	Name	Present	Name	Present	Name	Present
Tracy Grandstrand		Kirsten Priebe		Sue Novak	X	Betsy Gambach	X
Elizabeth Lampert	X	Mary Armstrong		Betsy Kieffer	X	Nicole Salazar	
Tammy Johnson	X	Nancy Giacchetti	X	Jane Martinson	X		
Susan Wepplo	X	Lindsay Vail	X	Angela Mahoney			
Norine Wilcox	X	Joanne Gibbs-Rumble		Elizabeth LaFrenz	X		

## Summary of Motions

Motion	Moved	Second	Approved	Not Approved	Comment
Meeting Minutes – June 26, 2017	Wilcox	Kieffer	X		
Treasurer’s Report - May	Kieffer	Giacchetti	X		
Treasurer’s Report - June	Kieffer	LaFrenz	X		
Motion to accept Joann Gibbs-Rumble’s resignation from the MHJA Board	Kieffer	Martinson	X		
Adjourn	LaFrenz	Kieffer	X		

Elizabeth Lampert called the meeting to order at 7:05.

1. **Meeting Minutes:** Approved.

2. **Treasurer’s Report:**

- **Income for May** included \$47,066 in MHJA Horse Show deposits, \$1,350 in Donations for MHJA Show, \$1,200 in Membership deposits, \$710 in MHJA Affiliation fees, \$0.03 in bank interest, \$310 in Newsletter Ads, and \$50 in Websites Ads.
- **Expenses for May** included \$25,499.32 in MHJA Horse Show expenses, \$283.92 in Membership expenses for mailing, \$45 refund to Mid States Horse Shows for an error in their Newsletter Ad, \$9 in bank fees, \$61.06 for flowers sent to Kristen Priebe for her broken leg, and \$54.30 in miscellaneous supplies for the MHJA Show and other general expenses.
- **Other items for May:** Preparation of 2016 taxes continues. Second notices for overdue invoices for Horseman’s Directory were send out the week of July 16, 2017.
- **Income for June** included \$711 in MHJA Horse Show deposits, \$275 in Donations for MHJA Show, \$2,100 in Membership deposits, \$0.03 in bank interest, \$2,199 in Newsletter Ads.
- **Expenses for June** included \$13,753.26 in MHJA Horse Show expenses, \$1,364.11 for Harvest Horse Show Website recovery, \$2,035 Insurance renewal for MHJA BOD protection, and \$98 for stamps.
- **Other items for June:** There was discussion around adding something to the MHJA Membership application for barns to indicate that they wanted to be in the Horseman’s Directory. They would pay for it at that time. Lindsay Vail will work with Betsy Kieffer to add something to the application. A checkbox and cost for including pro stables in the directory on the website will also be added to the membership form.

3. **MHJA Horse Show:** The dates for the MHJA Horse Show in 2018 are May 17-20. It will be held at Carriage House Farm. Norine Wilcox indicated the Steward has tentatively accepted. There was discussion around hiring Liza Dennehy and Joe Lombardo as judges. Norine will ask Patty Humphries to send out the contracts. The same jump crew will be hired. There was discussion around hiring Pam Shroeder as another gate person. There was discussion around hiring a food truck. There was discussion around renting or purchasing a tent to be set up by the rings. Norine will look into the rental or purchase of the tent(s). Norine will look into getting hotel rooms.

4. **MHJA Board:** Joann Gibbs Rumble has sent a letter of resignation from the MHJA Board. A motion was made and approved to accept her resignation.
5. **Zone VI:** USHJA allotted \$4800 for Regional Zone VI Jumper Championships. There are 10 people going and the money will be split equally between them. There is discussion around holding the Championships for both the jumpers and hunters at Balmoral Park in 2018.
6. **Mid States Horse Show:** Mid States will hold two weeks of horse shows in September, 2017. The Zone VI Handy Hunter Challenges and the MHJA Medal and MHJA Mini Medal Finals will be held the first week. The Zandra Powers Equitation Class will be held the second week. Mid States has to apply for MHJA affiliation for the second week.
7. **Year End Points:** Year End Points thru the Mid States Encore show have been posted to the website.
8. **Miscellaneous Committee Reports:** No reports on Show Standards and Specifications, MHHS Sponsorship Committee, Silent Auction, PR and Marketing.
9. **Membership:** There were 2 new memberships received since the last meeting. There were several more received at the Carriage House Show.
10. **Website:** Nancy Giacchetti indicated that the \$25 fee was paid to post the clinic to be held in Detroit Lakes on the website.
11. **Year Ends Awards:** Jane Martinson indicated that coolers for Champions and chairs for Reserve Champions were ordered for Hunter and Jumper MHJA Year End Awards. Jane is still looking for prizes for Equitation.
12. **Nominating Committee:** Elizabeth Lampert indicated Pat Ness declined to run. Sue Novak, Kristen Priebe, Lindsay Vail, Heather Fites, Lisa Masica, and Heather Parish have indicated they are willing to run. Elizabeth will ask Sandy Morris if she wants to run. A minimum of 11 or 12 people are needed on the ballot. Norine Wilcox indicated that we should add an opt in/opt out option for receiving information via email rather than paper mail on the MHJA Membership application.
13. **Year End Awards Banquet:** Elizabeth Lampert has asked Earle Browne about having a photo booth.
14. **Medal Finals:** Both finals will be held during the first week of the Mid States Fall Horse Shows. Sue Novak will check with Angela Mahoney about filing the application with USHJA to get prizes.
15. **Annual Meeting:** There was discussion around having a clinic associated with the annual meeting. Options included – lectures around what judges look for and/or what needs to be done to show (entries, stall reservations, hotel reservations, clothing etc), holding a riding clinic, having lectures split by age or riding levels. Another suggestion was to have something educational, then a social event for the kids and the meeting for the adults.
16. **Newsletter:** There was discussion around needing additional support editing the Newsletter prior to publication. Future deadlines are August 19th, and November, 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017.
17. **Future Meetings:** Future meetings will be Tuesday, August 29, Tuesday, September 26, Monday, November 13, and December 4, 2017 at Leatherdale Equine Center. The Open Meeting will be held on Monday, October 23, 2017.

The next board meeting will be at 7:00 pm Tuesday, August 29, 2017 at Leatherdale Equine Center.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:25.