

MINNESOTA HUNTER JUMPER ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes

June 28 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		S. Golden	X	J. McCaffrey	X	S. Riley	
M. J. Cody	X	T. Grandstrand	X	B. Nay			

Guest: Todd McIntyre

Meeting was called to order by G. Novak.

- Horse show:** M. J. Cody reported that it appears then MHJA Horse Show had a \$4,500.00 net gain. There were about 110 horses. The funds taken in in sponsorships were approximately what was spent in prizes. No one was paid a fee for the day to day managing of the horse show this year; B. Kieffer did this on a volunteer basis. M. J. Cody suggested that next year this be a paid position. More money was spent on stalls this year in order to have better quality, more substantial stalls. In order to reduce expenses both judges were local judges this year. There were several comments about this; in future years we will try to only have one local judge. B. Kieffer noted that staff salaries were inconsistent which caused some workers to be unhappy. As there are some funds still available in the budget they will try to correct this through bonuses where possible.
There was discussion about the 2011 Horse Show location and dates. T. Johnson made a motion to keep the same dates and use Carriage House again for 2011. G. Brandt seconded the motion; the motion passed.
- Todd McIntyre – Great Prairie:** He has tried to get the Olympics to be held in Minnesota in 2020 and that did not happen. Now he is concentrating on creating a large equestrian center near the Twin Cities metro area to be able to hold large horse shows and other equestrian events; he would encourage other uses for the facility when not used for equestrian events such as cross county running and skiing, modern pentathlon, and so on. His model for the facility is the Sydney Australia Olympic equestrian facility. He tried to get approval to use part of the Twin Cities Army Ammunitions Plant (TCAAP) property which is being turned over to local municipalities, but that was not approved. He is now working with another municipality. He has letters of recommendation from USEF, the Minnesota Horse Council, Central States Dressage, and he would like the MHJA to write a letter stating that we need such a facility and why.
- Minutes:** T. Grandstrand moved and B. Kieffer seconded approving the minutes from the previous meeting. The motion carried.
- Treasurer's Report:** J. McCaffrey presented a modified 2010 budget. After discussion, B. Kieffer moved the budget be approved with the following changes: The Fall Harvest expense item be changed to Fall Harvest Hospitality and the Year End Meeting expense item be changed to Annual Meeting. L. Ostberg seconded; the motion was approved. The April financial report was presented: At the end of April there was \$18,162 in the

checking account, \$26,880 in savings for a total closing balance of \$45,042 *in the general accounts.*

J. McCaffrey presented the May report: \$20,360 in the checking account, \$26,883 in savings for a total closing balance of \$47,243.

The June report to date was presented: \$21,164 in the checking account, \$26,883 in savings for a total closing balance of \$48,047 *in the general accounts.* G. Brandt moved and T. Grandstrand seconded approving the Treasurer's Report. The motion passed. There was discussion about excess funds; they should be transferred into the savings account rather invest them in another C.D.

5. **ProJAM:** T. Grandstrand indicated that she had received about \$700 in participation fees. There are 9 teams. Barb Ahrens has the ProJAM book in each horse show office. T. Grandstrand will have both checks and prizes to give out at the end of the Otter Creek show.
6. **Junior Board:** S. Golden reported that the Juniors will put together information on USEF High School Equestrian Teams for the Newsletter. They are looking into planning an event at the July Alpine horse show. They had mini jumping courses for kids and assisted at the MHJA horse show.
7. **Newsletter:** P. Franz stated that information for the next Newsletter is due soon. B. Kieffer asked if we should reconsider the publication dates. It was mentioned that we should enforce the due dates which is difficult as people/businesses are always behind on their ads and articles.
8. **Maffitt Lakes Horse Show approvals:** Their summer (August) horse shows were conditionally approved at an earlier meeting. It appears their classes are closer to our class specifications. G. Brandt moved to approve their summer horse shows, P. Franz seconded the motion. The motion carried; these two shows are MHJA approved.
9. **Year-to-Date Points:** T. Johnson has sent the Year-to-Date points to Jack Marshall to post on the website. No horse show results have been posted this year; Jack is looking into providing this information as a searchable data base.

N. Reid moved and B. Kieffer seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried; meeting was adjourned.

Note:

The following additional MHJA Horse Show information was provided by M. J. Cody the next day:

She thanked B. Kieffer for building the schedule, figuring out the AQHA and opportunity additions (which account for all of the additional entries). Next thanks to P. Franz who refused any remuneration for the banners or Junior Board for setting up the prize trailer as well as the children's play space. And finally thanks to N. Reid for running a fabulous hospitality tent which was mentioned positively in every response form submitted. Thank you all again, I had a great time.