

# Minnesota Hunter Jumper Association

Board Meeting Minutes

January 12, 2015

Held at Leatherdale Equine Center

Name	Present	Name	Present	Name	Present	Name	Present
Tracy Grandstrand	X	Kirsten Priebe	X	Sue Novak	X	Heather Parish	
Elizabeth Lampert	X	Mary Armstrong	X	Betsy Kieffer	X	Nicole Salazar	
Tammy Johnson	X	Thea Bailey	X	Jane Martinson	X		
Ashley Woodhouse Slade	X	Lindsey Vail	X	Patti Nelson	X		

## Summary of Motions

Motion	Moved	Second	Appro ved	Not Approved	Comment
Meeting Minutes	Woodhouse- Slade	Armstrong	X		
Treasurer's Report – November	Vail	Grandstrand	X		
Treasurer's Report – December	Grandstrand	Vail	X		
Removal of Beginner Equitation, Intermediate Equitation, Opportunity Jumpers and 1.15 m High Children's/Adult/Modified Jr/OA from Year End Awards. All other division will remain as they were for 2014.	Martinson	Bailey	X		
Adjourn	Bailey	Vail	X		

Elizabeth Lampert called the meeting to order.

- 1. Meeting Minutes:** Approved
- 2. Treasurer's Report:** November and December reports were reviewed and approved. Summaries for each report provided below. Budgets for 2015 will be the same as they were for 2014 with the exception of the Harvest Show, due to the potential hiring of an Executive Director, which will be updated at a later date.

**November:** Preliminary calculations for the Banquet indicate a revenue of \$9525 with expenses being \$12,622.52. The Silent Auction and Raffle preliminary revenues totaled \$5110, with more revenue expected to come in. The Banquet made just over \$2000. The funds will be used for the enrichment and education of the members. \$515 in Membership also came in. The main expenses included \$4193.24 for year end awards, \$3214.97 paid to the 2012 MHHS Course Designer, who misplaced his compensation, and \$1236.57 reimbursement to the delegates that attended the USHJA National Convention. The last of the Harvest Show costs were settled, including the rental of the fairgrounds for \$58508.01.

**December:** Revenues for December include Membership dues of \$1000, Banquet of \$9535 and Silent Auction and Raffle \$10069.93. The main expenses for December include \$200 in Affiliate Membership, \$2450 to Olsen Thielen for 2013 Tax Preparation, \$9894.14 for the Banquet, \$300 for the Banquet Program, which will be reimbursed, \$1207.73 to Franz Reprographics for the Newsletter and #139 to MN Revenue for 2013 Taxes.

Two prize money checks were cashed, totaling \$279.25, and debited from the MHHS account. A check from the MHHS Sponsorship account, was sent to We Can Ride for \$8000 and \$300 was paid

to Ruffled Posies for the Volunteer Gifts. A total of \$5663.50 in sponsorship money was also deposited.

3. **Membership Committee:** Paper copies for membership have not been mailed. Betsy Kieffer will look into getting them from Lee Gremillion and get them mailed. Sue Novak will assist with the mailing. Betsy will look into getting membership cards that can be removed from the confirmation letters.
4. **MHJA Horse Show:** They are currently planning on having all hunters in grass ring and all jumpers in the sand ring with courses set in both rings so that one judge can be used. There is a challenge in finding food service. They will ask the food service that worked at Alpine. It will be a four day show. Tracy will get a sponsorship letter to Betsy so that it can go out with membership mailing. Betsy will look into if there are any remaining 2014 Year End Awards that could be used as prizes.
5. **MHHS Committee:** The committee should be looking for an Executive Director – the MHHS Sponsorship Committee needs to find the appropriate person and this person should be paid from its accounts. The MHJA board will ask for list of proposed candidates and a budget by March. Lyndsay Vail and Patti Nelson will work with the committee to get this information.
6. **Additional Horse Show:** Paul Stevens is planning on holding a recognized show at Simon's Arena, April 23-26, 2015. They are planning on applying for MHJA affiliation.
7. **Points:** There was discussion around double points. Lyndsay Vail will summarize the impact of double points for the 2013 and 2014 on year end awards.
8. **MHJA Medal Finals:** Ashley Woodhouse-Slade is proposing and will look into holding the MHJA Medal Finals at the Harvest Horse Show. There was also discussion around having it at Otter Creek or Alpine.
9. **Nominating Committee:** Pam Keeler, Renee Lankart, Sandy Morris were proposed as nominees.
10. **Website** – Heather Parish may have found someone to rebuild the website for \$50 per hour. She will be meeting with them later this month.
11. **Open Meeting:** There was discussion around moving the meeting to late October or early November and possibly having a speaker to get more attendance.
12. **Jr Board Committee:** There was discussion around removing this committee from the committee list and sending notice to see if a Jr member would like to take a leadership role.
13. **Banquet:** Silent auction brought in around \$8000. There were three sponsors for the banquet for \$750. The raffle and Heads or Tails brought in \$750. Admissions the night of the banquet brought in \$2900. Potential Banquet dates for 2015 are November 14 or 21, 2015. The committee will look into holding it at Earle Brown again.
14. **Nominating Division for Year End Awards:** The following changes will be made to MHJA Year End Award Divisions.
  - Remove Beginner Equitation, Intermediate Equitation and Opportunity Jumpers
  - Remove 1.15 m High Children's/Adult/Modified Jr/OA.All other divisions will remain as they were for 2014. These changes were approved by the board.
15. **Future Meetings:** The next meeting will be held February 9, March 9, April 20, June 22, August 17, September 14, October 19, November 9, 2015 at U of MN Leatherdale Center.

The next board meeting will be at 7:00 pm Monday, February 9, 2015 at U of MN Leatherdale Center.

Meeting was adjourned.