

# Minnesota Hunter Jumper Association

Board Meeting Minutes

December 14, 2015

Held at Leatherdale Equine Center

Name	Present	Name	Present	Name	Present	Name	Present
Tracy Grandstrand		Kirsten Priebe	X	Sue Novak	X	Heather Parish	X
Elizabeth Lampert	X	Mary Armstrong		Betsy Kieffer	X	Joann Gibbs-Rumble	X
Tammy Johnson	X	Thea Bailey		Jane Martinson	X	Doug Kans	
Nicole Salazar		Lindsey Vail	X	Patti Nelson	X	Nancy Giacchetti	X
Norine Wilcox	X	Susan Wepplo	X	Angela Mahoney	X		

## Summary of Motions

Motion	Moved	Second	Approved	Not Approved	Comment
Meeting Minutes	Giacchetti	Gibbs-Rumble	X		
Treasurer's Report - November	Kieffer	Wilcox	X		With change to second bullet under Other Items – add Banquet
Motion to approve the donation of \$3500 to We Can Ride from the MN Harvest Horse Show for 2015	Mahoney	Wilcox	X		1 opposed
Motion to approve not making a donation to This Old Horse from the MN Harvest Horse Show for 2015	Nelson	Kieffer	X		
Adjourn	Nelson	Giacchetti	X		

Elizabeth Lampert called the meeting to order.

- Meeting Minutes:** Approved
- Additional Attendees:** Pattie Humphries, Jessica Swanson, Missy Fedor, Laura Critchet, May Critchet, Linda Ostberg, Joan Harmon
- Open Meeting Discussion:** Underhill's/Alpine Farms will not be holding their horse show in June or their two shows in July in 2016. They are offering to sell their dates. Elizabeth Lampert indicated that Jim Urban is interested in the June date. There were comments made about holding a B or C show. There was discussion around having a show at the Equestrian Center in Winona or a show at Jamie Benner's facility. People agreed that it is important to keep local horse shows. There was also discussion around moving the MHJA spring show to a later week in May or early June.
- USHJA Meeting:** Betsy Kieffer and Lindsay Vail attended the meeting in December 6-9, 2015. Betsy summarized some of the requirements for USHJA Rating. 12 rated divisions need to be offered. The number of horses that must attend the horse show has dropped in order to keep A rating. If a rated division is offered, a classic can also be offered. A national hunter derby with more than 40 horses must be split. Horse shows can hold more opportunity classes. Return to Play rule has been modified - you can return to showing when you have a letter from a doctor. Exhibitors will not be eliminated for black stirrups – it will be up to the judge's discretion to determine if they will be penalized. Drugs and medication rules – there are revised guidelines for penalties, there also revisions to the accountability rules. They have also outlined what happens at a hearing. Ad Hoc committee for growing the sport – USHJA membership has grown 1% in 9 years. Rule effective December 2015 - all horses must show proof of flu/Rhino vaccination within 6 months. The Hunter

and Jumper Zone committees are going to be combined and membership will be done by appointment and through elections. All members will have the opportunity to vote.

5. **Treasurer's Report:** Revenue for November included \$2,989.54 in residual entries from Harvest Show, \$8,061.61 from direct deposit from ClickBid from Silent Auction, \$0.02 in interest, and \$40 in Newsletter revenue from Horseman's Directory Ad. Expenses included \$3500.50 checks cashed from the Harvest Horse Show, \$8728.36 for in Sponsorship including reimbursement check to T. Faulconbridge, payment for services to Amp My Brand, MSP Magazine advertisement charge and other miscellaneous expenses, \$3028.87 for banquet expenses including invitations, ribbons, programs, ClickBid platform, auction supplies, \$9.00 in bank fees, \$504.70 for saddle pads and embroidery for year-end awards, \$79.21 in meeting refreshments, \$25.00 to State of MN for tax filing, and \$115.21 and \$93.21 for postage/shipping and other supplier for meetings and mailings. A motion was made to donate \$3500 to We Can Ride from the MN Harvest Horse Show.
6. **Year End Awards:** Comments were made that the awards were very nice.
7. **Banquet:** Elizabeth spoke with the manager at Earle Brown Center about 2016 dates. They indicated November 19, 2015 at Earle Brown Center is available. Elizabeth will ask them to hold this date.
8. **Website:** Elizabeth is working with John Payton to revamp the website.
9. **Future Meetings:** Future meetings will be held January 11, February 8, and March 7, 2016 at U of MN Leatherdale Center.

The next board meeting will be at 7:00 pm Monday, January 11, 2015 at U of MN Leatherdale Center.

Meeting was adjourned.