

Minnesota Hunter Jumper Association

Board Meeting Minutes

February 6, 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			
Susan Wepplo	X	Lindsay Vail	X	Angela Mahoney	X		
Norine Wilcox	X	Joann Gibbs-Rumble		Elizabeth LaFrenz	X		

Summary of Motions

Motion	Moved	Second	Approved	Not Approved	Comment
Meeting Minutes – January	Kieffer	Vail	X		
Treasurer’s Report – January	Kieffer	Giacchetti	X		
Motion to approve the transfer of \$10,000 from the Harvest Horse Show account to the main MHJA account via email	Kieffer	Giacchetti	X		13 people voted – no opposed votes
Motion to approve the addition of a 0.8-0.85 Jumper division to the Year End Awards	Wilcox	Wepplo	X		
Motion to approve the removal of the Hunter Challenge from Year End Awards	Giacchetti	Novak	X		
Motion to approve the addition of USHJA Hunter at 2’, 2’3”, 2’6”, 2’9”, and 3’ to the Year End Awards	Giacchetti	Novak	X		
Motion to approve changing the name of Modified Children’s/Adult hunter to Low Children’s/Adult under with a fence height of 2’6” and adding a restriction that horse/rider combinations cannot cross enter into classes that exceed 2’9”	Kieffer	Novak	X		
Motion to approve the addition of Modified Children’s/Adult Hunter with fence height of 2’9”	Kieffer	Novak	X		
Motion to approve changing the fence height of Low Jr/Amateur from 2’9” to 3’ Kieffer Norine	Kieffer	Wilcox	X		
Motion to approve allowing the voting for the MHJA Board of the Directors be done electronically.	Kieffer	Vail	X		
Adjourn	Giacchetti	Kieffer	X		

Elizabeth Lampert called the meeting to order at 7:07.

1. **Meeting Minutes:** Approved.
2. **Treasurer’s Report:**

- **Income for January** included \$200 in Harvest Horse Show related deposits, \$3340 in membership deposits, and \$0.1 in interest.
 - **Expenses for November** included \$100 refund check from Harvest Horse Show deposited for paychecks, prize money, medic bill and night watch from Harvest Horse Show, \$149 to renew Wix.com website hosting, \$9 in bank fees, 1207 check to St Croix Saddlery for Year End Awards, \$117.75 for flower arrangement sent to JoAnn Gibbs-Rumble's mother's funeral, \$24.91 to Fed Ex for 1099 materials to accountants, and \$121.33 for supplies.
3. **Vote by email:** The MHJA Board voted by email to approve the transfer of \$10,000 from the Harvest Horse Show account to the main MHJA account to cover expenses for the year.
 4. **Committee Budgets:** Budgets for the committees were determined. See Attachment 1.
 5. **Show Standards Specifications and Approvals:** Betsy Kieffer presented a proposed list of MHJA Year End Award sections. Elizabeth LaFrenz created a spreadsheet that was presented and reviewed by the Board. There was discussion around the divisions that should be approved for Year End Awards. Motions were made and approved for the following changes/additions/removals to the specifications and MHJA Year End Award Divisions.
 - Addition of a 0.8-0.85 Jumper division to the Year End Awards
 - Remove Hunter Challenge from Year End Awards
 - Betsy will talk to Gail Brandt about the Hunter Challenge perpetual trophy and how to give it.
 - Add USHJA Hunter at 2', 2'3", 2'6", 2'9", and 3' to the Year End Awards
 - Change the name of Modified Children's/Adult hunter to Low Children's/Adult under with a fence height of 2'6" and add a restriction that horse/rider combinations cannot cross enter into classes that exceed 2'9"
 - Add Modified Children's/Adult Hunter with fence height of 2'9" Kieffer.
 - Change the fence height of Low Jr/Amateur from 2'9" to 3' Kieffer Norine.
 6. **Washington County Fair Grounds:** Dan Dolan from the Washington Agricultural Society presented changes that will be occurring at the Washington County fairgrounds. They are planning to build an indoor arena where the current outdoor ring is. The indoor will be 300 ft by 125 ft with an extension on one side that is 25 ft by 250 feet for office and seating. It will not be insulated. It will be a steel building. There are currently 116 indoor stalls and about 25 stalls outside for about 140 stalls total. There are other options/buildings for adding temporary stalls. There is no plan to cover the warm up arena. Current proposed start date for building is September 2017. There was discussion around what the MJHA can do to support this project. See Attachment 2 for more detail on the financials.
 7. **MHHS Committee:** Nancy Giacchetti reported that the committee is working on a budget.
 8. **MHJA Horse Show:** Betsy Kieffer indicated that Kim Holding has been hired as Steward. A judge is still needed. Elizabeth Lampert indicated Chris Chene will get his small R in April and is willing to judge. Elizabeth will follow-up with him. Hattie Sheely has asked for a flat class for 3 year olds to be held at the MHJA Horse Show. The Board agreed that it can be added to the schedule.
 9. **Midstates Horse Shows:** The dates for the summer shows are June 7-11, June 13-17, and June 19-21.
 10. **Newsletter:** Deadline was February 3, 2017. Articles and photos should be turned in.
 11. **Nominating Committee:** A motion was made to allow the voting for the MHJA Board of the Directors be done electronically.
 12. **Future Meetings:** Future meetings will be March 6, and April 3, April 24, Tuesday, May 30, Monday, June 26, Tuesday, July 25, Monday, August 28, 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 Monday March 6, 2017 at Leatherdale Equine Center.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:33.

Attachment 1

2017 Committee Membership

Banquet - Elizabeth Lampert, Lindsay Vail, Norine Wilcox, Betsy Gambach, Angela Mahoney
Budget: \$14,000

Year End Awards – Jane Martinson, Sue Novak
Budget: \$7,000

Silent Auction – Elizabeth Lampert, Norine Wilcox, Betsy Gambach
Budget: \$Included with Banquet

MHHS – Nancy Giacchetti
Budget: Will be presented in March

Membership – Betsy Kieffer
Budget: \$1000

MHJA Horse Show – Joann Gibbs-Rumble, Elizabeth Lampert, Norine Wilcox, Betsy Kieffer,
Elizabeth LaFrenz, Mary Armstrong
Budget: \$40,000

Year End Award Points – Betsy Kieffer
Budget: None

Medal Finals – Sue Novak, Angela Mahoney, Joann Gibbs-Rumble
Budget: \$650

Nominating – Mary Armstrong
Budget: \$300

Newsletter – Heather Parish, Suzanne Weplo, Betsy Kieffer
Budget: \$10,000

PR and Marketing – Nancy Giacchetti, Elizabeth LaFrenz, Lindsay Vail
Budget: None

Website – Nancy Giacchetti
Budget: \$2000

Budgets for items without Committees

Annual Meeting

Budget: \$900

USHJA Annual Meeting

Budget: \$2500

Attachment 2

Washington County Agricultural Society
Indoor Arena Fact Sheet

CURRENT USAGE

4-H Camps and Clinic	6 Days	340 Youth Days
Courage Riders Handicap Riding	20 Days	200 Youth Days
County Fair	6 Days	230 Youth Days
Barrel Racing Series	14 Days	210 Youth Days
Dressage Shows	10 Days	200 Youth Days
Saddle Clubs	10 Days	300 Youth Days
Half Arabian Breed Show	2 Days	40 Youth Days
High School Rodeo	3 Days	225 Youth Days
Polo Cross	1 Day	0 Youth Days
Stillwater FFA Show	1 Day	40 Youth Days
MN Walking Horse Breed Show	1 Day	10 Youth Days
Arabian Breed Show	1 Day	50 Youth Days
TOTAL	75 Days	1,545 Youth Days
Anticipated Useage		
Breed Shows (4)	16 Days	200 Youth Days
Total Usage	91 Days	1,745 Youth Days

We have a wide variety of local users. Hope for no rain.

We also offer open riding to local horse people free of charge when our arenas are available.

PLANS

Indoor Arena will be 300 feet long and 125 feet wide.

It will have an additional extension on one side 25 feet by 250 feet for office and seating.

Funding will come from the following sources:

Bank Borrowing	\$250,000
Grants	250,000
Individuals	150,000
Businesses	<u>25,000</u>
Total	\$675,000

Costs:

Building Structure	\$300,000
Construction	205,000
Concrete	35,000
Excavation	50,000
Lighting	75,000
Contingency	<u>10,000</u>
Total Costs	\$675,000