

Minnesota Hunter Jumper Association

Board Meeting Minutes

December 15, 2014

Held at Leatherdale Equine Center

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

Summary of Motions

Motion	Moved	Second	Approved	Not Approved	Comment
Meeting Minutes	Armstrong	Parish	X		
Treasurer's Report – Deferred to January					
Membership discount will be extended to February 1, 2015	Armstrong	Bailey	X		
Adjourn	Bailey	Kieffer	X		

Elizabeth Lampert called the meeting to order.

- 1. Meeting Minutes:** Approved
- 2. Treasurer's Report:** Deferred to January
- 3. MHJA Horse Show** – Mary Armstrong indicated that Tracy Grandstrand has gotten the dates and it will be a four day show. It will be held May 14-17, 2015 at Carriage House. They are considering using one judge.
- 4. Show Schedule** – Mid States moved spring show to first week of May. Alpine will not be holding their Classic Show in June. There will not be jumper classes at the Alpine Shows that will be held in July.

Tentative Show Schedule

Mid States Spring April 29-May3
 Maffitt Lake Spring Gathering May 6-10,
 MHJA May 14-17
 Mid States Summerfest June 3-7
 Mid States Summer June 10-14
 Alpine Preview July 8-12
 Alpine Farms Equestrian Fest July 15-19
 Two Rivers Summer Fest I July 29-Aug2
 Two Rivers Summer Fest II August 5-9
 Minnesota State Fair August 26-28
 Otter Creek September 2-6
 Mid States Fall 9-13
 Madison County Fall Challenge September 16-20
 Harvest October 6-11.

The Urban Family has asked if there is interest in having the Mid States Horse Shows at Mason City beyond 2015. The board agreed that we would like to see all four shows continue if they are financially feasible for them.

MN State Fair will have hunters and Jumpers all day on Wednesday and Thursday, and two Jumper classes on Friday. Short Stirrup may be run as an exhibition division under USEF so that USEF membership is not required. This division will not be more restrictive than Short Stirrup held at other MHJA horse shows.

5. **MHJA Medal Finals** – Betsy Kieffer indicated that Otter Creek will hold the Power's Class. There was discussion about where to hold the MHJA Medal Final – options included Alpine and Otter Creek.
6. **Membership** - Lee Gremillion has had to resign from the board. The Board is looking for someone that can recreate/update the website. Mary Armstrong, Jane Martinson and Patti Nelson indicated that they have contacts that may be willing to do it.
A motion was approved to move the discounted membership to February 1, 2015.
7. **Zone VI** - Betsy Kieffer and Pam Keeler attended the USEF Annual Meeting.
Highlights include
 - USHJA has proposed that if a horse has only shown as a jumper they will still be eligible Green/Pre Green.
 - Pre Green will no longer be a Zone Specification.
 - There will be an Equitation and Amateur Owner finals.
 - 1.15 meter has been removed from Jr/AO Jumpers.
 - USHJA is proposing return to play rules for junior riders for 2016.
 - Effective December 2014, ponies will get a standard card at the age of eight rather than the age six.
 - Hunter Challenge – there will be two sections for the Zone VI handy hunter challenge. Children's/Adult Amateur 2'9" with 3' options, riders cannot cross enter into classes where fence height exceeds 3'1" and Junior/Amateur – 3' with 3'3" options, riders cannot cross enter into classes where fence height exceeds 3'7".
8. **Silent Auction** – The silent auction at the banquet brought in \$9,065 from 95 items. \$795 was raised from the raffle and Heads or Tails Beads.
9. **Future Meetings:** The next meeting will be held January 12, 2015 at U of MN Leatherdale Center.

The next board meeting will be at 7:00 pm Monday, January 12, 2015 at U of MN Leatherdale Center.

Meeting was adjourned.