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**Board of Directors**  
**Date December 3, 2023**  
**Table Meeting, Great Northern Hotel, Helena, Montana**

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**MONTANA QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION**

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Board members present: Tyrell Burklund, Josh Shengle, Julie Schumacher, Britt Kissock-Robinson, Cathy Dekker, Michele McGuigan, Lesli Glen, Tracy Tiner

National Directors: Ruth McDonald-Gates

Guests Present: Sydnee Wilson, Chris McGuigan

Meeting called to order by President Tyrell Burklund. Lesli made a motion to approve the December 1, 2023 minutes. Cathy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Finance: Laura reported on the Silent and Live Auction funds received Saturday evening. Julie made a motion to approve the financials as distributed. Second to the motion by Tracy. Motion carried.

**Old Business:** New verbiage on the MQHA membership application was corrected per December 1, 2023 meeting. Josh made a motion to approve the amendments to the 2024 Membership Application as presented. Second to the motion by Cathy. Motion carried.

Discussion regarding the 2023 Convention and how to encourage more participation in the Live and Silent Auction. Tyrell will contact Charlene Greene to discuss centerpieces and possible door prizes

**Committee Assignments:**

**Finance Committee:** Tyrell Burklund, Chair

**Show Committee:** Tyrell Burklund, Chair

**Nile Committee:** Marilyn Randall, Chair

**Marketing/Membership Services:** Rita Church, Chair

**Amateur:** Cathy Dekker, Chair

**Youth:** Co-Advisors – Michele Shaw & Mindi Wilson

**Breeders:** Lesli Glen, Chair

**By-Laws:** Rita Church, Chair

**Legislative:** Britt Kissock, Chair

**Recreational Riding:** Julie Schumacher, Chair

**Awards/Points:** Michele McGuigan, Chair

**Scholarship:** Tracy Tiner, Chair

**Region 2:** Co-Chairs Tracy Brown & Rita Church

**Nominations:** Rita Church, Chair

**2024 Convention:** Tyrell Burklund, Chair

**Hall of Fame:** Ruth McDonald-Gates, Chair

**Ranching:** Stan Weaver, Chair

**New Business:** Julie made a motion to retain Laura as Secretary/Treasurer for the 2024 Year. Second to the Motion by Britt. Motion carried.

Continued discussion regarding the kiosk replacement with a pop-up background and utilizing Show Off Designs. Tyrell will get prices and report to Board at January meeting.

Discussion regarding a complaint against the Corvallis Shows and how to encourage contestants. Ice cream social hosted by the Youth Association was suggested. Also a wine tasting hosted by the Amateur Association. Complimentary coffee and donuts were also suggested.

Lesli made motion hold the 2024 Convention back at the Great Northern Hotel in Helena. Second to the motion by Josh. Motion carried.

Laura reported the photo chosen by the General Membership for the membership card, website and Directory front was Steve Devenyns "Quiet Reflections".

Discussion regarding MQHA acquiring a Zoom account due to resignation of Kendra Jackson. Laura reported cost was approximately \$10/month for the Board meetings. Michele will assist with getting this completed.

Laura reported the 2021 and 2022 MQHA taxes have been filed by Mission Accounting in Lakeside, MT.

Discussion regarding a member proposal to change Standing Rule II Year End Awards..."must attend 5 shows to be eligible for year-end awards." Board agreed to leave the must attend 50% of the shows in place for the 2024 year.

All agenda items have been satisfied. Tracy made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Second to the motion by Cathy. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Laura Bakker  
2023 Secretary/Treasurer

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**Next meeting – January 17, 2024 – Zoom Meeting  
Table Meeting 7:30pm**

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