
Board of Directors
Date February 19, 2020 Teleconference Meeting

MONTANA QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION

Board members present: Tracy Brown, Tracy Tiner, Rita Church, Britt Kissock-Robinson, Tyrell Burklund, Jerry Gereghty, Michele McGuigan

National Directors: Ruth McDonald-Gates, Marilyn Randall

Meeting called to order by President Tracy Brown. Britt a motion to approve the minutes from the January 15, 2020 meeting as amended. Second by Rita. Motion carried.

Finance: Laura presented an electronic financial report. Jerry made a motion to approve the financial report as presented. Second to the motion by Britt. Motion carried.

Old Business: No old business.

Committee Reports:

Awards: Britt reported she received an email from Gary Cooper concerning incorrect embroidery work on a 2019 award. Discussion regarding ordering a new award and having it re-embroidered. Tabled for March meeting. Britt has several ideas for the 2020 awards.

Show Committee: Tyrell reported he talked to Western Ranch and Rodeo Rigs as a potential sponsorship. Rita reported she got the venue contract signed. A sponsorship brochure was sent out with the Directories and membership cards. Tyrell has been in contact with Tim Kamura regarding the trail pattern and is awaiting a reply from Mr. Kamura. Mr. Kamura responded with questions regarding number of contestants, etc. Marilyn suggested a 3 minute pattern would be optimum from a judging standpoint. Nancy Ostle-Zahn is receiving stall reservations. Laura will send out the Manager and steward contracts. Discussion regarding Canadian exhibitors and entry fees at par. Discussion tabled for March meeting or email from Tracy B.

NILE: Marilyn reported there is a new person involved with the Nile show. Sponsorships are being accepted.

Amateur: Britt reported the Amateurs are working on Sparks Some Fun which will be held at the Super Barn in Billings, same format as 2019 show. Leslie & Terry Olson will be helping with the Tommy Sheets Clinic. Currently have 4 individuals signed up for the SSF clinic. Discussion regarding the 2020 Incentive Fund. Britt has Facebooked a message regarding showing Quarter Horses.

Youth: Tracy T. reported the Youth are still trying to work with Holly Hover for a clinic. Location will be the Gallatin River Ranch.

Fund Raisers: Rita has been in contact with Luke Jones and Jimmy Dario. Rita is working with these clinicians on dates. Venue possibilities – Briggs, Keyser Creek.

Marketing/Membership Services: Rita reported she will be working on the website and has sent a contract to the new web manager, Cindy Chilton Moore. Suggestions for new photos and information on the website.

Directory: Rita reported the Directories have been delivered. Membership cards are missing some of the information. Laura will contact the printer and let them know of that error.

Breeders: Michele was asking for suggestions regarding correspondence letter to the Montana breeders. Suggestion to get ahold of Janet Newton for ideas on the letter.

By-Laws: Rita reported nothing new on the By-Laws. Any new ideas or concerns need to be forwarded to Rita for 2020 Convention consideration.

Legislative: No report.

Recreational Riding: No report.

Region 2: Rita reported Region 2 has had discussion regarding moving the roping. Start time on Thursday will be 7:00am.

Race: No report.

2020 Convention: Jerry reported he has been in contact with several hotels in the Billings area. He has several proposals and will email the Board with suggestions for the venue.

New Business:

Laura reported she received an email from AQHA regarding the National Director position and they had received Nancy Weaver's application which will be presented to the Committee at Convention. She also received the Affiliate Agreement and has completed that information, sent to Tracy B. for approval and delivered to AQHA for processing.

Correspondence: Ruth received a thank you card from the Printing Center. Ruth also has a letter from Barb Skelton regarding the Horses Spirits Healing program, an equine assistance program for veterans. Barb would like MQHA to send a letter of support for additional grant funds. Jerry made a motion to write a letter of support for Barb's program, Horses Healing Spirits. Second to the motion by Tyrell. Motion approved.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Laura Bakker
2020 Secretary/Treasurer

**Next meeting – Teleconference meeting
March 18, 2020; 7:30pm**
