
Board of Directors
Date February 17, 2021 Teleconference Meeting

MONTANA QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION

Board members present: Tyrell Burklund (joined later in meeting) ,Tracy Brown, Jerry Gereghy, Rita Church, Tracy Tiner, Michele McGuigan, Julie Schumacher, Britt Kissock-Robinson

National Directors: Ruth McDonald-Gates, Marilyn Randall

Guests: Kris Lane

Meeting called to order by Vice President Tracy Brown. Tracy T. made a motion to approve the January 20, 2021 minutes as corrected. Second to the motion by Marilyn (lack of Board of Directors quorum at beginning of meeting). Motion carried.

Finance: Laura distributed the financial reports electronically. Julie made a motion to approve the January financials as distributed. Second to the motion by Tracy T.

Old Business: No old business.

Committee Reports:

Youth: Julie reported she is working on a newsletter. Going forward with the Holly Hover Clinic first weekend in May at the Gallatin River Ranch. Still selling raffle tickets, working on what the prize will be if the concert is cancelled.

Show Committee:

Nile: Marilyn reported she has personnel lined out for the helping with the Show. Could still use some help with the MQHA Booth. Show will be 2½ days, the same as last year. Still working on the venue for the show.

Big Sky Classic: Tyrell reported the Show Committee decided the Sorting and Penning Thursday afternoon as an AQHA Special Event. Marilyn will be the judge. Working on fees for the classes, tabled for Show Committee meeting next week. Discussion regarding the contract with the Heart K. Tyrell is waiting to hear from Jan at the Heart K. Tyrell is working on the host hotel. Also looking at an AirBNB for housing the judges. Costs are comparable with past years. Committee is going forward reserving the AirBNB and also looking to get some rooms donated as in the past. The Committee has approved having some jumping classes at the Classic after being approached by a group from Wyoming. Kris Lane gave a report regarding the Sorting and Penning at the Classic. Suggested classes include Amateur, Select and Level 3-4 penning and sorting classes. Youth was also discussed. Kris indicated not a great Youth following in these classes. Open classes probably not needed due to lack of professionals eligible to compete. Discussion regarding utilizing an "All Ages" class. Discussion regarding fees. Tabled for Committee meeting. Kris will supply a timer, gate bumpers, numbers and glue, and computer software for the event. Discussion regarding having NRCHA Classes at the show. Tracy B. reported she has been

in contact with Dave Clark and he supplied the required classes. Discussion regarding postponing adding these classes until 2022. Jerry made a motion to postpone adding CMTRCHA classes until 2022 in the required classes. Second to the motion by Michele. Discussion ensued. Motion failed. Tracy B. made a motion for the Show Committee to work on incorporating the required NRCHA classes into the Big Sky Classic Schedule. Second to the motion by Julie. Discussion regarding contacting NRCHA for those classes. Jerry indicated he has talked with NRCHA and the required classes: Open Bridle, Open Hackamore are required plus \$1,000 added. Jerry indicated CMTRCHA would handle the added money. Britt recommended going to Committee and report back to the Board. Motion carried. Approval tabled until after Show Committee meeting.

Awards: Britt reported she has all the awards and sorted. Two are being returned due to incorrect embroidery. Waiting for a couple buckles. Some of the awards will be drop shipped from the distributor. Tyrell volunteered to retrieve some of the awards for distribution.

Amateur: Britt reported the Amateurs are working on the Sparks Some Fun. The has been talking to Tommy Sheets for a follow-up Clinic as a fundraiser.

Marketing/Membership Services: Laura reported the Directory is in production with a short delay due to a printing issue. Anticipation that Directories will be distributed to Laura in the following week and mailed out. Financial from the Directory indicate the revenues were up from 2021 and profits appear to be comparable of above 2020. Still a few outstanding receiveables. Laura will send second invoices with the advertiser's copies of the Diretory. Laura discussed the website opening page photo. Britt made a motion for Laura to update the website photograph to match the membership card photograph. Second to the motion by Tracy T. Motion carried. Rita reported we have 30 Lifetime, 50 annual renews and 13 new memberships and 23 MQHYA members.

Breeders: No report.

By-Laws: No report.

Legislative: No report.

Region 2: Tracy B. reported no more changes from the last meeting. Judges are Nancy Wright from Colorado, Michigan, . Sponsorship forms will be distributed shortly.

Hall Of Fame Committee: No report.

Convention: Jerry reported he has secured the Big Horn Resort in Billings for the 2021 Convention.

New Business: Britt reported she received a message from Diana Spint regarding an education booth at the State 4-H Horse Show at the Cottonwood Arena in Silensia, September 24-25, 2021. Julie indicated AQHA would send the educational material. Julie

will reach out to AQHA and see the availability of those materials. Britt and Julie will bring some ideas to the Board in March.

Communications: Laura reported she has received an email from Shelly Spears regarding the National Director. Laura also distributed the email regarding AQHA's Facebook post on AQHA Awards. Laura also received an email from Kim Mills regarding a booth at MQHA Events. Laura will send her the list of MQHA approved events. Discussion regarding booth fees. Discussion regarding the Tammy Pate request to have an event in conjunction with the Big Sky Classic. Tyrell reported the event has moved to the Fairgrounds in Bozeman.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Laura Bakker
2021 Secretary/Treasurer

Next meeting – March 24, 2021 Teleconference; 7:30pm
