
Board of Directors
Date February 16, 2022 - Teleconference

MONTANA QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION

Board members present: Tyrell Burklund, Rita Church, Britt Kissock-Robinson, Tracy Tiner, Cathy Dekker, Kendra Jackson, Julie Schumacher, Michele McGuigan, Josh Shengle

National Directors: Marilyn Randall, Ruth McDonald-Gates

Meeting called to order by President Tyrell Burklund. Josh made a motion to approve the January 19, 2022 minutes. Second to the motion by Julie. Motion carried.

Finance: Laura distributed electronic copies of the financial reports. Julie made a motion to approve the financials as distributed. Second to the motion by Tracy. Motion carried.

Old Business: Kendra reported she is working on finishing auditing the 2021 MQHA books. Discussion regarding a possible monetary bonus for Laura. Laura respectfully declined the offer and Board refused and tabled for email discussion.

Committee Reports:

Show Committee:

Big Sky Classic: Tyrell reported the Show Committee met earlier in the week in regards to Challenge issues – points calculations, payout, etc. An extra halter and pleasure class will be added for Challenge participants only. \$100 entry fee, 70% added with 30% administration fees. Discussion having an Open Halter Challenge class. Suggested to have different colored numbers for the Pro and Non-Pro. Laura will need to change wording on the class list to Open rather than Pro. Tyrell is working on awards, possibly a two-step stool of possibly a Directors Chair. Ideas for Hi-Point and Reserve would be appreciated. Some Challenge money has been collected. Tyrell is finishing his invite letter to trainers.

Nile: Marilyn needs Laura to start working on the sponsors as soon as possible and will get the information forwarded.

Awards: Michele reported she is working on the last two 2021 awards that needed to be redone. She is attending the Sun Circuit and will be talking with the Arizona Awards Committee for ideas for the 2022 awards.

Amateur: Cathy reported the Amateurs are working on the Sparks Some Fun. Trying to find a Show Secretary as well as a Judge. Show manager and ring steward are still needed. Tyrell has volunteered to be the ring steward for the show. Dates are June 25-26, 2022. Ruth reported on a teleconference with AQHA regarding Amateurs possibly having the ability to give lessons for remuneration while still maintaining the integrity of the Amateur status. Reasons for submitting a proposal was due to lack of Youth moving up into the Amateur Division and hoping that allowing this to go forward would increase these numbers. Discussion is tabled for the AQHA Convention February 25-26, 2022.

Youth: Julie reported she is sending a Newsletter to the current Youth, hoping to get more participation and comments. She is waiting for NFR tickets for the raffle. Interest in MQHYA is in a growing stage and she is hoping to get some of the newer members more involved.

Marketing/Membership Services: Rita reported MQHA has 55 renewal members, 13 new MQHA members, lifetime 31 and Youth 24 members. Julie reported there are approximately 6 members aging out. Unknown number of this group that will be showing in 2022. Laura reported Cali is working on the Directory projecting to have it completed to the printer within the next couple of weeks. Membership cards have been delivered. Discussion regarding transferring a lifetime back number transferring to another family member. Tyrell reported the person involved is more than happy to purchase another back number. Laura will send the available numbers for them to choose from.

Breeders: Michele reported she has been talking with Marilyn Wegweiser and Jim Frederickson regarding the Breeders and will report at the March meeting.

By-Laws: No report.

Legislative: No report.

Region 2: Rita reported the judges have been hired, ring help has been hired. Tracy Brown is responsible for sponsorships and getting brochures ready for deliver. Dates are September 14-18, 2022.

2022 Convention: Tyrell reported he is getting rates for a hotel and will report at the March meeting.

New Business:

Tyrell has been approached by the Kelsey Masterson has requested the Western American Breed Horse Congress being MQHA approved. Currently is a 3-6 judged show. Several futurities with \$500 added. Dates are August 25-28, 2022 in Moses Lake, WA. Discussion regarding allowing this show to be approved as opposed to the Douglas, WY show proposal that was submitted at the Convention. Suggested to have the MSQHA submit a proposal to MQHA regarding approval. Discussion regarding year-end awards and the majority of the shows being in the western portion of the State. Discussion changing the wording of the Standing By-Law to possibly state required to attend 50% of Montana State shows. Discussion regarding contacting the Douglas, WY show if they were willing to pay the MQHA associated fees. Board will entertain a proposal from the WABHC folks regarding this discussion. Tyrell will contact those people for that proposal. Also a proposal from the Douglas, WY Show with the same criteria. Tabled for an email motion.

Communications: Laura reported the Annual Report has been filed with the MT Secretary of State.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Laura Bakker
2022 Secretary/Treasurer

Next meeting – March 16, 2022
Teleconference Meeting 7:30pm
