
Board of Directors
Date October 22, 2025; 7:30pm
ZOOM Meeting

MONTANA QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION

Board members present: Tyrell Burklund, Josh Shengle, Lesli Glen, Julie Schumacher, Cathy Dekker, Rita Church, Michele Shaw

National Directors: Gary Lynn Olson

Meeting called to order by President Tyrell Burklund. Lesli made a motion to approve the September 17, 2025 minutes. Cathy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Finance: Laura reported financial reports. Cathy made a motion to approve the amended financial report as presented. Second to the motion by Michele Shaw. Motion carried.

Old Business: None.

Committee Reports:

Show Committee: Tyrell reported the Big Sky Classic Show dates will be June 4-7, 2026. Cutting will be Thursday afternoon with more advertising to increase participation. Clayton Miller will again be supplying cattle.

NILE: Laura reported for Marilyn Randall, the show was a success paying out \$6500 for MQHA's portion of the payout fees.

Membership Services: Rita reported the Nile picked up 17 and 1 new lifetime member. The majority of the new or renewed members came from the VRH Show.

Marketing: Julie reported would like some assistance getting the remainder of the gun raffle tickets sold.

Recreational Riding: Julie reported again discussed the trail ride. Julie will have the highest hour Recreational Riding from AQHA and award at Convention.

Amateur: Cathy reported that AQHA has divided the Working Western Rail into the different divisions effective January 1, 2026.

Youth: Michele Shaw reported the Youth will be having a meeting on the day after the MQHA Board meeting. Michele anticipates youth participation at the Convention. She would like to approval from the MQHA Board that any Youth wanting to be an officer can submit notice to Michele and not be in attendance at the meeting which is in compliance with the MQHYA By-Laws. MQHA Board agreed with this suggestion.

Breeders/Ranch: Lesli reported she has talked to Jim Fredericks at the Nile and will be contacting him to do an interview with Jim.

By-Laws: Tyrell reported on the question regarding the 50% show rule. Laura and Tyrell will submit new verbiage to the Board for the December meeting and the General Membership meeting.

Legislative: No report.

Awards: Laura reported for Michele McGuigan that the awards have been ordered. One member asked to order her own prizes, Michele responded that the Committee is choosing the awards.

Region 2: Rita reported the Region 2 Committee has not had a meeting and she will have a report at the December meeting.

2025 Convention: Tyrell reported the Convention Committee had a meeting and the Committee chose the menu for the Convention; prime rib with chicken, Yukon smashed potatoes, tossed salad and chocolate cake for dessert. Also order hor d'ours for Friday night member appreciation. Laura has met with hotel staff to go over schedule.

Hall of Fame: Laura reported for Ruth Gates.

New Business: Josh would like to see more sponsor recognition on the social media sites with the photo of the individual along with "sponsored by...". This will be passed along to Gary Lynn.

Correspondence: Thank you's from the State 4-H Horse Show.

All agenda items have been satisfied. Josh made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Second to the motion by Michele Shaw. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Laura Bakker
2025 Secretary/Treasurer

**Next meeting – December 4, 2025 Great Northern Hotel,
Helena, MT Table Meeting 6:00pm**
