

Mississippi Hunter Jumper Association

Board Meeting Minutes

December 9, 2024

Opening

The Board meeting of the Mississippi Hunter Jumper Association was called to order by President Meghan Humphreys on December 9, 2024, at 7:04 p.m., at Cline Tours at 277 Commerce Park Drive, Ridgeland, MS 39157 and virtually by Zoom.

Present

Board Members: Meghan Humphreys, Jamie Floyd, Shannon Rushton, Hope Henry, Melody Chimahusky, Jordan Skinner, Salina Kelly, Taylor Kazary, Robin Morris, Mandy Dearman, Stephanie Strachan, Kesler Bridgeforth, Emily Jolicoeur, Amy O'Mara, Nathalie Bearden, Jordan Kay, Chloe Palato, Trudy Moody and Allison Collins

Junior Members: Anne Moody and Christine Moody

Absent

Board Members: Jennifer Kennon, Leah Ivey, Chelsea Landes, Shane Cook and Brittany Strong

Junior Members: Presley Martin and Brock Kennon

Open Issues

1. Review of the November General Meeting and November 2024 Board Minutes

Jordan Skinner made a motion to accept the November General Meeting and November Board Meeting minutes. Trudy Moody seconded the motion. None opposed and the motion passed.

2. January Show Date Change
 - a. Move from January 10-12 to February 7-9, 2025
3. Canton Facility Update
 - a. Melody will work with Alvin and Lisa on the contract for the facility
 - b. We will only use the outdoor ring and the covered ring and the office inside- we will not use the coliseum ring
 - c. Will have security but not for 24 hours every day of the show. We will work with the Sheriff's Office
 - d. Waiting on final numbers before determined total cost
 - e. We will set dates with Alvin for follow up on checklist needs prior to the show
 - f. Covered ring will need some work on the footing before the show
 - g. Office will be set up on Thursday or possible late Wednesday- Jordan will bring the items from storage
 - h. Horses and set up will happen on Thursday
 - i. We will need a PA system (wired system only covers the indoor ring and barn area). May need one for each ring. Shannon to test her JBL speaker for range

4. February Show

- a. Jordan will check on the back numbers left to see if Mandy needs to order any additional numbers
- b. No Food Truck
- c. Soup Supper Saturday night during the Dad's Lead Line Class (Pops and Ponies)
 1. Barns are asked to bring 2 soups each and paper products
 2. Board Reps to contact barns for participation:
 - i. Trudy- Winterview
 - ii. Jordan K.- Southern Tradition
 - iii. Robin- Calnemo
 - iv. Mandy- Blue Ribbon
 - v. Chelsea- Reunion (Meghan will text her)
 - vi. Salina- Serenity
 3. MHJA will provide tables for the soups
 4. Melody will follow up to confirm that we can use the patio area in the coliseum
- d. Gambler's Choice- Melody has a potential sponsorship
 1. \$1000 prizes (or less if the sponsor wants to reduce)
 2. \$75 entry fee
- e. Pops and Ponies (Dad Lead Line Class)
 1. Free class sponsored by MHJA
- f. Jordan K. will check with Southern Brew to come to the show or maybe Livingston Nutrition
- g. MHJA could provide donuts one morning
- h. Need to confirm Judge and the number of staff coming

5. Ads and Sponsorships

- a. Moving deadlines back with new show date- Due by January 1st
- b. Current Sponsorships for Special Classes
 1. Mercedes- Hunter Derby
 2. Southern Ag- Green Hunter (Ronica or Meg to confirm) and All Day Hunter Classic
- c. Melody will send updates to Allison and Trudy
- d. Sponsorships/Ads
 1. Miskelly- Pre- Adult Hunter
 2. Southern Tradition- First page of the Prize List (full page ad)
 3. Blue Ribbon- Full page black and white ad
 4. Calnemo is getting a photographer to come to their barn and update pictures of riders/horses. Lots of families purchasing individual ads

6. Points

- a. Sent to Emily for review of the last few shows from November
- b. Almost ready to give final list for Banquet placings and prizes- Will send to Jordan tomorrow
- c. Shannon will send final points to the membership.
 1. Include link to report issues- remind to only review newly added shows (no year long look back)
 2. Include confirmation of February Show date
- d. Updated need to 4 horses included in Green 3' and 3'3" that were not eligible
 1. Kaboom Blue
 2. MTM Honey Bee
 3. Ikonic

4. Virginia Gold
- e. Need to confirm points for Srah Fisher that joined at the LHJ April show.
Purchased an Individual membership for the 2023-24 show year
7. MHJA Annual Banquet- January 25, 2025
 - a. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m., Dinner starts at 6:00 p.m.
 - b. Estimate 150 people (sold 138 tickets last year with 2 event conflicts)
 - c. Mama Hamils will cater the dinner
 1. 2 meats, 3 sides and 2 desserts
 - d. Cupcakes for 75 people
 - e. Iron Horse will provide cash bar again
 - f. Linens provided by Great Southern Events
 - g. Photo Backdrop ordered from KPEP (will check on lighting)
 - h. Do we want a dedicated photographer? (MHJA could pay fee and offer an ad in the prize list- need to confirm no charge for individual pictures and no watermark)
 - i. Tickets (last year \$55 Early sales, \$60 week before and then \$65 at the door)
 1. \$50 Early sales
 2. \$55 one week before
 3. \$60 at the door
 - j. Silent Auction items to Melody and Jamie
8. MHJA Online Store
 - a. \$50 fee to open the store
 - b. Business will give us the items at cost and then we decide the % of markup
 - c. Must determine at least 13 items for the store
 - d. Only print what is ordered (screen printing)
 - e. Set to open at the Banquet and run through the first show
 - f. Once the store closes, the business orders the items and prints, ships to each person. Can take up to 4-6 weeks
 - g. Nathalie needs to file of the MHJA logo
 - h. Nathalie will get the cost for hats, sweatshirts and t-shirts
9. Board Member of the Year
 - a. For 2023-24 Board of Directors
 - b. Stephanie will work with Jamie on getting nominations and gift/award
 - c. Shannon will send Stephanie the list of 2023-24 Board for the link
10. List of Committee sent to the Board for considerations and discussion at next meeting

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm by Meghan Humphreys. Next Meeting will be January 13th, 2025 at Cline Tours, Ridgeland MS.

Minutes submitted by: Shannon Rushton, MHJA Secretary