

MICHIGAN QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION
Meeting of the Board of Directors
January 9, 2022

President Barb Foster called a meeting of the new 2022 MQHA Board of Directors to order at 9:34 a.m. at the Comfort Inn Hotel and Conference Center, Mt Pleasant, MI. The following Directors and staff were present: Meggen Baynes, Jennifer Bluhm, Heather Coe, Kevin Cubitt, Barb Foster, Sasha Glover, Austin Gooding, Megan Hirschman, Rob Kirkpatrick, Monty Montgomery, Chris Perniciaro, Sarah Switek and Kris Woroniecki.

AGENDA: Megan Hirschman made a motion to approve the agenda. Monty Montgomery seconded the motion. Motion passed with none opposed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Newly installed President, Barb Foster, welcomed the new members of the MQHA Board of Directors. Barb indicated that she is excited for the new year and is hopeful that MQHA can host all of the activities on the schedule in 2022.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Heather Coe welcomed the new Board members and stated that she is looking forward to working with the new Board and she is hoping that MQHA can continue to move in a positive direction.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

CONVENTION: Sasha Glover thanked everyone for their attendance and efforts during the Convention weekend. He stated it was great to be back in person. The overall event numbers were down but the evening was wonderful regardless. The silent auction was small. He thanked those who contributed to the auction and those who purchased. He acknowledged that the early date in January wasn't ideal, and the committee hopes to move a week later. He discussed the Saturday clinic and thanked Mary Luther for her help with that. The Stallion Service Sale appeared to do well. Sasha would like to locate various venue options for the Convention going forward.

STALLION SERVICE SALE: Austin Gooding said that the auction raised \$62,000 on sale day compared to \$72,000 last year. He indicated that it was hard to get the paperwork in to the office and several of the stallions came in last minute which did not give them the exposure they could have had. In person attendance at the sale was good.

YOUTH: Sasha Glover said that the Youth meeting had lighter attendance than normal but there was a lot of enthusiasm in the room. Several of the youth have now moved on to the amateur division leaving a much younger Board of Directors. The MQHYA has 14 directors this year. Lillian Laney is now the Youth President. Sasha stated that there is a great group of parents.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- Completion of Board paperwork – the required forms were presented to the Board and it was requested that they were filled out and returned at the meeting.
- Board meeting calendar – the dates for the 2022 meetings were discussed. Location of some of the face-to-face meetings needs to be determined.
- The Board Retreat was discussed. It was decided that February 19 would be the date. Sasha is going to look for availability at a Lansing area hotel. Topics for the retreat were discussed. Barb requested any further topic requests for the retreat be sent to her or to the office by January 14.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:32 a.m by unanimous consent without objection.

The next meeting will be the Tuesday, March 8 via zoom.