

MICHIGAN QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION
Meeting of the Board of Directors
November 10, 2021

President Mike Huntoon called a Zoom meeting of the MQHA Board of Directors to order at 7:37 p.m. The following Directors and staff were present on the call: Heather Coe, Tessa Dalton, Barb Foster, Sasha Glover, Austin Gooding, Megan Hirschman, Mike Huntoon, Rob Kirkpatrick, Danielle Lindsay, Monty Montgomery, Sarah Switek and Kris Woroniecki. Jennifer Bluhm was excused. Also present on the call was Chris Baldwin and Ken Mumy.

AGENDA: Sasha Glover made a motion to approve the agenda. Barb Foster seconded the motion. Motion passed with none opposed.

REVIEW OF MINUTES: Rob Kirkpatrick made a motion to approve the September 23, 2021, Board of Director minutes. Monty Montgomery seconded the motion. Motion passed with none opposed.

REVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT: Heather Coe presented the financial statements. The total assets of the Association as of August 31, 2021 are listed at \$586,185.56; the total liabilities at \$154,960.95 and the total members' equity is listed at \$431,224.61. The net income as of the end of August is listed at \$83,263.95 compared to -\$23,104.48 for the same period in 2020. Barb Foster made a motion to accept the August 2021 statement. Danielle Lindsay seconded the motion. Motion passed with none opposed. Heather Coe presented the financial statements for September. The total assets of the Association as of September 30, 2021 are listed at \$585,926.43; the total liabilities at \$147,391.49 and the total members' equity is listed at \$438,534.94. The net income as of the end of September is listed at \$90,574.28 compared to \$5,305.71 for the same period in 2020. Barb Foster made a motion to accept the September 2021 statement. Danielle Lindsay seconded the motion. Motion passed with none opposed. Heather Coe presented the financial statements for October. The total assets of the Association as of October 31, 2021 are listed at \$527,296.82; the total liabilities at \$103,755.48 and the total members' equity is listed at \$423,541.34. The net income as of the end of October is listed at \$75,580.68 compared to \$25,591.75 for the same period in 2020. Barb Foster made a motion to accept the October 2021 statement. Danielle Lindsay seconded the motion. Motion passed with none opposed. Megan Hirschman requested an update of a comparative report through November.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Kris Woroniecki presented the checks written report for August 2021. There were checks written totaling \$73,382.57 for the month. Megan Hirschman made a motion to approve the August check detail report with a question about one check written. Rob Kirkpatrick seconded the motion. Motion passed with none opposed. Kris will report back on the status of that check payment.

Kris Woroniecki presented the checks written report for September 2021. There were checks written totaling \$99,734.06 for the month. Sarah Switek made a motion to approve the September check detail report. Tessa Dalton seconded the motion. Motion passed with none opposed.

Kris Woroniecki presented the checks written report for October 2021. There were checks written totaling \$88,707.68 for the month. Sarah Switek made a motion to approve the October check detail report. Tessa Dalton seconded the motion. Motion passed with none opposed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: President Mike Huntoon thanked the Board for being engaged throughout the year. He stated that he felt like everyone did a great job and he is very thankful for everyone's support and for pitching in. He also said that the Board will be in good hands with Barb Foster coming in as the next President.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Barb Foster will provide her report during the Committee reports.

OFFICE REPORT: Kris Woroniecki stated that an exhibitor contacted the MQHA office in early November stating they were not on the points standings. The person indicated that they had submitted a payment to MQHA for a membership in December of 2020. Kris confirmed that the check never cleared the MQHA bank account therefore it was not received, and the membership was not processed. The check did clear the exhibitor's account in December of 2020 but a copy of the back of the check showing the endorsement has not been received. Sasha Glover made a motion that there not be any adjustments to the year end points based on the information provided at this point. It is hoped that the endorsement of the check can provide insight necessary to know what happened but will not affect the outcome of the board decision due to the

length of time that has passed. Barb Foster seconded the motion. Motion passed with none opposed. Kris then reminded the Board she would be on vacation the end of the month.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

CONVENTION: The Convention Committee met via zoom. Sasha Glover stated that the contract with the Comfort Inn has been signed. The Committee discussed the agenda and is working on dinner choices. Sasha has reached out to Toledo Ticket regarding the credentials and the back numbers. Heather Coe has reached out to the Bidding Owl regarding the back number auction. The committee is working on options for dinner with possibly some new choices. Sasha mentioned that the committee thought utilizing a QR code on the back of the credential might be a fun idea. It would give attendees a link to information on what is going on during the convention.

EASTER SHOW: Monty Montgomery stated that the committee has decided to utilize the same showbill for the Easter show with the exception of possibly combining the rookie and Level 1 showmanship. The rookie and Level 1 trail are already combined and will stay that way. The show application is due to AQHA December 1.

FUTURITY: Mike Huntoon said the Futurity was successful. It was very well run. There was a great set of judges. He thought it was one of the best Futurities we have had in a while.

HALL OF FAME: The committee has chosen the person. They will work to finalize the horse by the end of the month. Kris has ordered the Hal of Fame pins.

HARVEST CLASSIC: Danielle Lindsay reported that the show went well. It was small with about 150 stalls being sold. Some of the classes were well attended.

MEMBERSHIP AND PUBLICITY: Danielle will work on the MHC Expo volunteer signup sheet, and she has indicated she will work the booth for most of the weekend as well. Barb Foster volunteered to help a few shifts over the weekend.

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS: Kris Woroniecki read the names of the people who will be on the ballot for the upcoming election. It will be published soon with the option of voting online, via mail, email or fax.

SHOW APPROVAL: The tentative 2022 show schedule has been published. Megan Hirschman stated that she wants to be sure that the showbills are switched intermittently to allow different disciplines to be the last events at the shows to try to keep it fair for all exhibitors.

SPARTAN SPECTACULAR: Barb Foster discussed the issue with the Spartan Spectacular dates for 2022. The show is currently scheduled on top of the newly announced dates for the L1 Championship in Wilmington. After discussion with the MSU Pavilion, the opportunity to run May 8 is an option with the Arabian group switching weekends with MQHA. The committee is unsure how to proceed at this point because that may not be the best option for dates. They will continue to discuss it and come to the board with some specific options soon.

STALLION SERVICE SALE: Austin Gooding said that the stallion contracts are coming in. He has discussed the sale with many stallion owners and expect many more to come in soon.

TACK SALE: Kris Woroniecki stated that there are about 70 tack sale reservations that have been processed. They are coming in daily.

YEAR END AWARDS: Monty Montgomery stated that the committee is working on awards purchases. The office will provide the committee with the tentative final year end list in the next week so they can begin to move forward. There was discussion about board member jackets and the MQHA logo for the jackets.

YOUTH: Youth President Rylee Harding stated that the youth had a really successful Youth World show and this was one of the most successful years for the NYATT teams. The exhibitors did really well. The youth are currently looking for board members for the youth ballot. They have twelve kids confirmed. The team Letters of Intent will be reviewed soon for distribution at the Convention. Sasha Glover stated that the youth will host the youth Q & A during the convention, which will help new families that want to get involved. Sasha thanked Rylee and the MQHA Board for their support of the youth this year.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

National Director – Christa Baldwin stated she will be elevated to Director at Large in February. Michigan will be given the opportunity to offer a director spot. MQHA has made a FaceBook post looking for potential candidates to review for the National Director position. After discussion and clarification of some items with both Ken Mummy and Chris Baldwin, the following action will take place by MQHA.

- MQHA will extend the acceptance of National Director letters of intent to November 24.
- Ken Mummy will get MQHA President, Mike Huntoon a write up explaining the list of responsibilities of the position. This information will be shared with the applicants that have already submitted and extended to any potential additional candidates.
- The original candidates will be offered an opportunity to amend anything already submitted without penalty.
- President Huntoon will reach out to the original candidates and explain why we are reopening the job for the two week time period.
- MQHA will notify all candidates that they will be required to participate in an interview process on Tuesday, December 7 during evening hours. The interviews will be set up in 30 minute blocks with times to be determined based on meeting room availability.
- The MQHA Board will be meeting after the interviews for a regularly scheduled meeting, which will include discussion regarding the final candidate choice.
- The final MQHA candidate choice for the National Director position will be submitted to AQHA mid-December, with Ken Mummy confirming the final date.

Vice President Elect - Per the MQHA rules, the Vice President Elect is voted on by the Board at the November meeting. With two candidates finalizing their intent to run for the position, a vote was held. Rob Kirkpatrick will be the MQHA Vice President Elect for 2022.

A motion to adjourn was made at 10:04 p.m. by unanimous consent without objection.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, December 7 with the location and time to be determined.