

**MICHIGAN QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION**  
**Meeting of the Board of Directors**  
**April 9, 2019**

Kathy Christensen called a meeting of the MQHA Board of Directors to order at 7:02 p.m. at the MSU Pavilion, Classroom A. The following Directors and staff were present: Kathy Christensen, Barb Foster, Sasha Glover, Austin Gooding, Megan Hirschman, Mike Huntoon, Rob Kirkpatrick, Danielle Lindsay, Monty Montgomery, Denise Morgan, Allyson Thompson and Kris Woroniecki. Excused was: Heather Coe

**AGENDA:** Megan Hirschman made a motion to approve the agenda. Mike Huntoon seconded the motion. Motion passed with none opposed.

**REVIEW OF MINUTES:** Megan Hirschman made a motion to approve the Tuesday, March 12, 2019 Board of Director minutes. Monty Montgomery seconded the motion. Motion passed with none opposed.

**REVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT:**

Megan Hirschman reviewed the March 2019 financial statement. The total assets of the Association as of March 2019 are listed at \$466,019.40; the total liabilities at \$132,588.06 and the total members' equity is listed at \$333,431.34. The net income as of the end of March is listed at \$14,682.54 compared to \$25,413.92 for the same period in 2018. Monty Montgomery made a motion to approve the March 2019 statement. Barb Foster seconded the motion. Motion passed with none opposed.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Kris Woroniecki presented the checks written report for March 2019. There were checks written totaling \$22,450.72 for the month. Mike Huntoon made a motion to approve the check detail report. Megan Hirschman seconded the motion. Motion passed with none opposed.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** President Christensen stated that she is super excited about the upcoming Easter show. Lots of activities during the event including the Queen's contest.

**VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** No report

**OFFICE REPORT:** Kris Woroniecki presented the fee structure for the tablet and tracker software for the Horseshow for Windows program. Megan Hirschman made a motion to move forward with using the tablet software for the Easter show and the Spartan Spectacular and have a conversation after the second show to determine if it is felt to be beneficial. Allyson Thompson seconded the motion. Motion passed with none opposed.

Jeff West explained to Kris that for the Easter assigned camping, he is going to assign sections to the camping. He will then fill the sections by order of arrival so as to utilize the space the best we can. He also stated that he needs someone to help with parking. He stated that he would stay until 9 pm on the nights he was needed and that if there are arrivals after 9, they will be asked to find a place to park and not unhook until daylight when Jeff can assist in finding their campsites. Jeff is also hoping to rope off an area in the parking lot for generator use.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**CLINICS/OTHER:** Allyson Thompson stated that the flier for the Tommy Sheets Clinic is nearing completion. Sheets only suggestion was to add a fee for auditing however, the committee does not see how charging to audit is feasible at this location.

**EASTER:** Monty Montgomery stated that the show committee is ready for the upcoming event. There are 400 stalls reserved with several on a wait list for the main barn. The committee is offering Easter breakfast on Sunday morning and pizza party either Friday or Saturday night. The children's events are coordinated. Everyone is hoping for good weather. Kathy Christensen is putting together a church service for Sunday morning.

**FUTURITY/SSS:** The Futurity/SSS Committee met on April 3. The showbill was finalized as was the class list for the Futurity. It looks like there will be two reining classes either Friday or Saturday nights. Details for the reining events will be confirmed by the first of May but the two classes will be included on the showbill without details. There was also discussion about things that could be offered to potential sponsors as part of the sponsor form. Mike Huntoon stated that there were a lot of nice comments about the blueberry gift boxes that were sent to the Stallion Owners whose stallions sold in the 2019 sale.

**HARBOR CLASSIC:** Barb Foster confirmed that the Committee would like to offer most of the activities that were there last year. They are in the process of contacting the people who hosted things last year. There will be a silent auction this year. More discussion needs to be held about the sponsors, the exhibitor party, etc.

**QUEEN:** The Queen Contest will be held during the Easter show this year. There are three candidates: Kate Clapp, Abby Kuntzleman and Syndey Dunckel. The Queen Horsemanship class will be Friday evening. The interview will be Saturday morning with the test around lunch time. Kathy Christensen has acquired the three interview judges. Kathy has been able to get many sponsorships and gifts for the candidates. She is hoping to have a display in entry office with the items for the contest. There is a banner ordered with information about the contest on it. Kathy purchased a new sash for the winner. The saddle is ordered and will be delivered to the Pavilion.

**SPARTAN SPECTACULAR:** The Committee feels confident that they have taken care of their list of jobs. Barb Foster stated that there will be donuts and coffee some mornings at the show. The Thayne Miner class awards are ready. The trail pattern will be sent to the office this week. Awards are purchased.

**SUMMER SERIES:** Allyson Thompson explained the no alcohol policy for the Midland County Fairgrounds after a discussion with the fair manager. Allyson also mentioned that Midland Fairgrounds is handling the bedding sales this year for their events. They have installed new halogen lights in the arena. Adam Winter's group is doing hospitality area for the show.

**WEBSITE:** Kathy Christensen indicated that she has been in contact with the website designer and the store is being finished on the website. She is working with Chris' Custom Creations to get photos of the logos of the different events.

**YOUTH:** Sasha Glover stated that the trail sign up list for Easter and the Spartan have been posted. Audrey Barnes is organizing the trail badge credentials for the ring crew. The Easter fundraiser is ongoing, and the youth are in need of donated prizes for the fundraiser. The Youth are holding their monthly meeting at the show. Katherine West, Youth President, is setting date. The Youth Reporter is working on compiling an email newsletter. Thayne Miner gifts are complete with the Youth giving embroidered polo wraps to the top ten finishers.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:** February weekend – Mike Huntoon had a phone discussion with Taylor Fabus about the 4H owned weekend. Megan Hirschman made a motion to not hold a February, 2020 horse show and leave the judges where they are for the year. Mike Huntoon seconded the motion. Motion passed with none opposed. Mike Huntoon made a motion to partner with Michigan 4-H to coordinate an educational opportunity during the February weekend. Monty Montgomery seconded the motion. Motion passed with none opposed. Mike Huntoon will contact Taylor Fabus to let her know that we are not doing a horse show. Rob Kirkpatrick and Allyson Thompson will work with Taylor to come up with some ideas.

A motion to adjourn was made at 8:15 p.m. by unanimous consent.

The next meeting is Wednesday, May 8 at 7 p.m. at the MSU Pavilion.