

MICHIGAN QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION
Meeting of the Board of Directors
May 5, 2026

President Kevin Cubitt called a meeting of the MQHA Board of Directors to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Farm Bureau Pavilion at MSU. The following Directors and staff were present: Linda Barnes, Heather Boggetta, Kevin Cubitt, Venessa Knoblock, Danielle Lindsay, Monty Montgomery, Kelly Nichols, Chris Perniciaro, Nicole Veldhoff, and Kris Woroniecki. Excused were: Ashlynn Kenoyer, Jeff Moody and Katherine West.

AGENDA: Heather Boggetta made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Kelly Nichols seconded the motion. Motion passed with none opposed.

REVIEW OF MINUTES: Kelly Nichols made a motion to approve the April 14, 2026, Board of Director minutes. Danielle Lindsay seconded the motion. Motion passed with none opposed.

REVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT: Kris Woroniecki presented the financial statements for April 2026. The total assets of the Association as of April 30, 2026, are listed at \$703,714.03; the total liabilities at \$291,446.30 and the total members' equity is listed at \$412,267.73. The net income as of the end of April is \$32,037.34 compared to \$41,336.27 for the same period in 2025. Income is up .23% and expenses are up 3.36%. Chris Perniciaro made a motion to accept the April 2026 financial statement. Heather Boggetta seconded the motion. Motion passed with none opposed. Kris pointed out the three new CDs which will renew in July, 2026. She also stated that the tax return was filed and the year end entries from the CPA were taken care of by the bookkeeper when she closed out April.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Kris Woroniecki presented the checks written report for April 2026. There were checks written totaling \$108,407.70 for the month. Danielle Lindsay made a motion to approve the April check detail report. Kelly Nichols seconded the motion. Motion passed with none opposed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: President Cubitt thanked the Board for their participation at tonight's meeting. Chris Perniciaro then called the Board into Executive Session. Kelly Nichols made the motion and Heather Boggetta seconded the motion. The motion unanimously passed. Monty Montgomery made a motion to move the Board out of Executive Session. Kelly Nichols seconded the motion. Motion passed with no opposition.

OFFICE REPORT: Kris Woroniecki informed the Board that the class that she and the other girls signed up for was cancelled by Funnware. The money has been refunded, and the training has not been rescheduled as of now. She also mentioned that Peighton Scott was hospitalized for a few days. She is now home and is doing better. Venessa Knoblock made a motion that we spend up to \$75 to send flowers to her wishing her well. Heather Boggetta seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

EASTER: Monty Montgomery shared the profit and loss statement for the Easter show. The net income was down about 30 percent from 2025.

FACEBOOK: Heather Boggetta has started working on Futurity sponsors. She posted some information for the Youth recently. She suggested doing a rookie exhibitor highlight.

FUTURITY: Chris Pernicaro mentioned that the Futurity committee will meet briefly after tonight's meeting and there will be an official meeting next week.

HARBOR CLASSIC: The Spartan Spectacular and Harbor Classic stall and camping reservations opened on May 4. The office is working through them, but it appears that currently the main barns and camping are sold out. The main high point and reserve high points for Harbor have been ordered. The walk trot and ranch high points need to be determined.

HARVEST CLASSIC: Heather Boggetta stated that she has been looking at different ideas for awards. Work will get started on the show soon.

MEMBERSHIP: The thank you gift string back packs were ordered but have not been received yet. The MQHA membership card has been updated from the older yellow one to a new white one.

QUEEN: Venessa Knoblock informed the Board that Queen Emma attended the Level 1 Championship. She interacted well with others, including children. She was in some pictures and looked great. Linda and Audrey Barnes are working with her to organize the Princess Contest.

SPARTAN SPECTACULAR: Danielle Lindsay shared that most of the high points and reserve high points are ordered.

STALLION SERVICE SALE: Kris stated that the gifts for the stallion owners/managers have been sent out.

SUMMER SERIES: There are 206 stall reservations and 95 camping reservations for Midland. Online entries are starting to come in. Heather has built the shows in the system so she can start working on them soon. The patterns are all posted. The show committee is still looking for additional help for trail and showmanship days. Nicole Veldhoff also mentioned that there will be a broom stick race for the kids during the Midland show and a costume class during the Ludington circuits.

WEBSITE: Kris reported that she got an update on the progress of the new website. The structure is built for the site and the company is currently adding content. There is a little more to send and then we should be able to take a look at it within the next 10 days. They did get some great website pictures from Katie at KRC Photography who was happy to help us.

YOUTH: Danielle Lindsay said that the Youth have agreed on their fundraisers at the Harbor. They are doing the dog races and a trainer horsemanship. They will also do a cash raffle. The Academic Achievement awards will be given at the show. Danielle said the Youth will have an in-person meeting in June.

OLD BUSINESS: Marketing information – Chris Perniciaro reviewed the quote received from the marketing company. After considerable discussion, Chris will call the marketing company and ask some additional questions. Venessa Knoblock made a motion to establish a Marketing Committee consisting of volunteers and an intern. Danielle Lindsay seconded the motion. Motion passed with none opposed. Chris Perniciaro and Venessa Knoblock will co-chair the committee. Heather Boggetta, Kelly Nichols and Linda Barnes volunteered to be on the committee. Chris has a few other people he would like to ask who are not on the Board.

Lowell update – Chris Perniciaro, Kelly Nichols, Jeff Moody and Kris Woroniecki met out at the Grand Agricultural Center in Lowell. Chris said he was impressed with the facility. While they have a long way to go, they do have a good start. There are five barns built. The arena is in great shape. They have a new tractor and Kisor drag. They will start work on the campground this summer, with the campground opening next year. They are working hard to raise the money to cover the arena. The people involved were informative and knowledgeable. He hopes that within a couple of years, we might be able to run a show there during our regular season. Chris also mentioned that there is discussion that the MSU Pavilion is closer to breaking ground on an additional covered pen sometime in 2027.

Chris Perniciaro then referred to a discussion in April regarding financial support for one of the MQHA shows. The board discussed the need to continue to find ways to grow the association and the shows. Heather Boggetta made a motion to sponsor sweepstakes classes for rookies at the Lisa Terry Memorial Horse Show. The sponsorship would be \$500 for the five core classes for the rookie youth and the rookie amateur, totaling \$5000. The show was chosen because it is centrally located and at a venue that can handle some growth. The sponsorship would be for 2026 and 2027. Danielle Lindsay seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. There was additional discussion about the class structure, the paybacks and how they will be handled. Heather Boggetta will work to promote it on Facebook and some on the Board have offered to share the post and print out information to share with the appropriate groups.

NEW BUSINESS: None

The meeting was adjourned at 9 p.m. by unanimous consent without objection. The next meeting will be on June 2 at the MSU Pavilion.