MICHIGAN QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION
Meeting of the Board of Directors
July 21, 2026

President Kevin Cubitt called a meeting of the MQHA Board of Directors to order at 6:35 p.m. at the Farm Bureau Pavilion at MSU. The following Directors and staff were present: Linda Barnes, Heather Boggetta, Kevin Cubitt, Ashlynn Kenoyer, Venessa Knoblock, Danielle Lindsay, Monty Montgomery, Jeff Moody, Kelly Nichols, Chris Perniciaro, Nicole Veldhoff, Katherine West and Kris Woroniecki.

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

REVIEW OF MINUTES: Danielle Lindsay made a motion to approve the June 2, 2026, Board of Director minutes. Katherine West seconded the motion. Motion passed with none opposed.

REVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT: Kris Woroniecki presented the financial statements for June 2026. The total assets of the Association as of June 30, 2026, are listed at $741,631.92; the total liabilities at $285,020.64 and the total members' equity is listed at $456,611.28.69. The net income as of the end of June is $76,380.89 compared to $95,220.81 for the same period in 2025. Income is up 3.09% and expenses are up 8.01%. Kelly Nichols made a motion to accept the June 2026 financial statement. Heather Boggetta seconded the motion. Motion passed with none opposed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Kris Woroniecki presented the checks written report for June 2026. There were checks written totaling $65,674.59 for the month. Heather Boggetta made a motion to approve the June check detail report. Kelly Nichols seconded the motion. Motion passed with none opposed. Kris then shared that three CDs matured on July 13. The executive committee discussed options and agreed to close them out and purchase three new CDs. The new ones will mature in eight months. The three cd's that matured made $2,306.97. The money including the interest was reinvested. The new CDs will show up on the July financial statement.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: President Cubitt thanked everyone who worked to make the two shows in Ludington a success. The shows were great. He is hoping that there has been positive feedback from the membership.

OFFICE REPORT: Kris Woroniecki explained that the office staff processed 330 payment types which required over 2000 entries to get the accounting complete from the two shows. It took a lot of time but it is nearing completion. She asked President Cubitt to sign the financial report for the raffle that was held in Ludington so that can be sent to the State of Michigan. Kris also shared that the Lisa Terry Memorial horse show was successful with stalls increasing by 32 and the entries went from 1540 last year to 3338 this year. There was more than $11,000 paid back which included $5000 in support from MQHA to the Rookie classes. The Association will make about $2000 for the MQHA approval. The $2000 in income includes the approval fee, the day fees and the tech and trailer rental fees.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CLINICS AND EDUCATION: Linda Barnes reported that a few of the Committee members met for a quick zoom meeting. There will be another meeting on July 31 to dig into getting the 2027 clinic organized. Jeff Greaves has agreed to be the clinician for Saturday and Sunday.

FUTURITY: Chris Perniciaro stated that the Committee would meet after tonight's board meeting to finalize the showbill. Venessa Knoblock made a motion to run an all age youth division and leave the rookie and level 1 classes separate as was discussed at the last Board meeting. Kelly Nichols seconded the motion. Motion passed with none opposed. Chris Perniciaro thanked the board for their passion regarding the issue. He is looking forward to a great Futurity. There seems to be a lot of interest.

HARBOR CLASSIC: Kelly Nichols shared that the show went well. The days ran a little later, but the classes were well attended. There was a committee meeting prior to the Board meeting and several items were discussed including the trophy saddles. The committee will meet again and finalize a few more of the bigger items.

HARVEST CLASSIC: Heather Boggetta said that she is looking at awards for the show. The AQHA show application has been turned into AQHA. The committee will get rolling with the details soon.

MEMBERSHIP: Ashlynn Kenoyer stated that the committee is looking for a new item for a giveaway. The last item fell through with the distributor. She is hoping we can get the letters out soon to the new AQHA members in Michigan.

QUEEN: Venessa Knoblock reported that the Princess contest was amazing. Queen Emelia did a great job. The contest decorations were beautiful. There were 22 princess contestants. Emelia provided very nice prizes. Jorja Boulter is the new Princess and Landon Sederlund is the new Junior Princess. Queen Emelia was also available to help a lot throughout the week. She was in the office and in the arena doing various jobs aside from the princess contest. Venesssa suggested we set a budget for princess contest for 2027 as it was evident that the Queen and others spent a lot of money putting this contest on.

RULES AND CONSTITUTION: President Cubitt reminded the board to start working on any rule changes if anyone has anything in mind that needs to be brought up. He did indicate that there were a few items that would come to the board soon.

SPARTAN SPECTACULAR: Katherine West said the show went well. It was late one night and we dodged some various bad weather, but overall, it was a nice show. Attendance at both shows was really good.

STALLION SERVICE SALE: Kris Woroniecki shared that the office had sent out the stallion authorization letters for the sold stallions for each of the corresponding breeding years. The stallion owners should be receiving them any day. We sold a couple more stallions over the last few weeks. The sale has brought in more than $109,000 in 2026.

SUMMER SERIES: Nicole Veldhoff gave the financial report for the Summer Series that was held in Midland. She stated that we were up 29 stalls and 21 campsites. AQHA entries were up 764 and the NSBA entries were up 117. The overall income increased. She reminded the Board that we are going to run the show over five days next year which is what it had been due to the size of the show and the late nights. It will start on Thursday next year, instead of Friday. The Midland County Fairgrounds can accommodate the additional day.

WEBSITE: Linda Barnes, Kris and Heather have seen the new website. It still needs some work, but it is available for the Board to see tonight at the meeting. Kris will put it up on her laptop so that the Directors can look at it after the meeting. It should go live in the next couple of weeks if all goes well.

YOUTH: Danielle Lindsay said that the kids are getting ready for the Youth World Show. Katherine West will be attending the show. Danielle explained that the raffle was a real problem this year with families not returning unsold tickets, them returning tickets and us not getting them, and unsold tickets being thrown away. Selling the raffle tickets is a requirement on the letters of intent. She is not sure if she will do the raffle again, even though it is a good fundraiser.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Chris Perniciaro stated that the new marketing committee met and finalized a proposal for the MSU Pavilion regarding the purchase of some tvs which was then presented. MSU personnel have indicated they do not want them. The committee was trying to get more advertising out for the sponsors of the shows.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m. by unanimous consent without objection. The next meeting will be September 29 at the MSU Pavilion.