
**Board of Directors Date October 16, 2018 6:00pm –
Table Meeting – NILE Conference Room, Billings, MT**

MONTANA QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION

Board members present: Tyrell Burklund, Rita Church, Jerry Gereghty, Britt Kissock-Robinson, Julie Schumacher; Teleconference: Michele McGuigan, Tracy Brown;
National Director: Janet Newton
Guest: Tee Aune

Meeting called to order by Vice President Tyrell Burklund. Julie made a motion to approve the minutes as presented from the August 15, 2018 meeting as presented. Second by Britt. Motion carried.

Finance: Laura presented the financial report electronically as well as hard copies at the meeting. Jerry made a motion to approve the financial report as presented. Second to the motion by Rita. Motion carried.

Old Business: None

Convention: Dates for the 2018 Convention are November 30-December 2, 2018 to be held at the Quality Inn, Butte, MT. Deb Jose suggested Stan Weaver as a guest speaker. Laura will contact Stan. Tyrell received an email from the Billings Hotel concerning future convention sites with possibility of utilizing their facility.

By-Laws: Rita reported will get amendments to Laura for submission to the General Membership. Britt questioned the By-Law concerning the Amateur checking account duties by the Amateur Chairperson. Consensus was this was an Amateur discussion at the meeting at the Convention.

Awards: Britt reported she is working on the awards and waiting for completion until the Nile is completed. Britt suggested purchasing jackets for year-end awards. Tracy Brown will check cost with Murdochs.

NILE: Jerry reported the VRH Show was commencing during the meeting and was well attended with in excess of 300 entries. Full report at the next meeting.

Show Committee: Big Sky Classic will again be held at the Heart K in Livingston, dates June 14-16, 2019. During the Committee meeting, discussion about partnering with the Amateur's Sparks Some Fun Show and offering sponsors a combined package including both shows as well as the Directory and Website. Cost for advertising tabled for Convention. Tyrell presented a draft letter to potential sponsors for costs. Rita talked with Nancy Ostle-Zahn about secretary position and the opportunity for another secretary to take over the Big Sky Classic. Several other secretaries have submitted bids.

Amateur: Britt reported she has sent an email to the Amateurs regarding the Sparks Some Fun as a fundraiser and utilizing the profits back into the show. Majority responded to keep the money in the Amateur account for the show. Marilyn Randall has agreed to judge the SSF Show. Dates will be June 29-30, 2019.

Youth: Julie reported that Marilyn Randall has agreed to do a clinic for the Youth at the Convention.

NFR Raffle: Laura updated the revenues and expenses for the Raffle. Because the NILE has a large number of ticket sales, final P&L will be presented at the next meeting.

Marketing & Membership: Rita reported the newest costs for the Directory has been emailed to the Board. Rita will contact Town and Country to renew their sponsorship. Rita still needs one more sponsor for the back of the membership card. Rita has been contacting web designers. Laura talked with Cali concerning past ads and Rita will contact Mary to have her send previous advertisers ads to Cali.

Breeders: Michele will send Laura an email concerning Breeders Awards.

Legislative: No report.

Region 2: Tracy reported the Region 2 show attendance was lower than in the past and some suggestions for new classes. 2019 Show dates September 19-22,.

NEW BUSINESS:

Laura has met with a representative from Stockman Bank concerning the credit card and fees associated. The rep will present three options for the Board to consider and Laura will report to the Board after the quotes are received.

Tracy mentioned the National Director position that will be open. Laura will email the General membership concerning the open position.

Barb via Rita also would like some suggestions for a new President of the MQHA Board.

All agenda items have been satisfied. Jerry made a motion to adjourn, second to the motion by Rita. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Laura Bakker
2018 Secretary/Treasurer

**Next meeting – Table meeting – Quality Inn, Butte, MT
November 30, 2018 – 6:00pm**
