

**MONTANA QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION – TABLE MEETING –  
KEYSER CREEK ARENA, COLUMBUS, MT**

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Board members present: Ralph Young, Rita Church, Nancy Ostle-Zahn, Nancy LaCounte, Marilyn Randall, Ruth McDonald-Gates, Lou Ann Holt, Tracy Brown, Jane Ellis, Barb Boma, Barb Popovich, Stan Weaver; quorum; Excused – Deb Cress

Meeting called to order by President Ralph Young. Minutes from the April teleconference meeting were distributed electronically as well as hard copies distributed. Minutes were approved as corrected. Financial report was presented electronically and hard copies distributed. Rita made a motion to approve the financial report as of May 20, 2015. Second to the motion by Tracy. Motion approved.

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**OLD BUSINESS:**

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None

**Committee Reports:**

Shows: Big Sky Classic: Nancy OZ needed some clarification on the Circuit Fees and what is included in those fees. Directory indicated stall was included in the fees. Discussion followed about the interpretation of fees included in the “Circuit Fee”. Further discussion about the 2016 fees tabled for a future meeting.

Novice Show: Previous discussion was forwarded to the Novice Show. Circuit fees are the same as the Big Sky Classic with the exception of the inclusion of stall fees. Fees are \$200 for classes only. Ruth indicated numerous shows are having an all-inclusive fee which could be a possibility for future shows.

Race – Nothing new to report. First race meet was May 10 in Miles City.

Trail Ride – Deb reported via email. Laura to get with Deb Cress and give her a current membership list.

Region 2 Show – Rita reported Ruth has resigned from her position on the Board. Rita indicated we need another MQHA member to fill that position. Tracy Knudson-Brown has volunteered to fill the position. Questions about responsibilities were answered.

Membership – Nancy L. reported 7 new members as well as 6 new members from the first Cattle Show via Rita in addition another member during the Big Sky Classic show. Ruth has some concerns about the website and non-scrolling capabilities.

Amateurs – Lou Ann reported all but 30 books of NFR raffle tickets have been sent out. Jane only has 12 Amateur Incentive Fund exhibitors. Several contestants have indicated interest. Tracy has the gas cards and they will be drawn during the Big Sky Classic.

Youth – Barb B. reported the Youth had a meeting. Kyra put together a clinic with attendance of 8 participants. 1 Youth will be attending the YES conference.

Breeders – No report

By-Laws – Discussion about non-voting rights of the National and Youth Directors. Ruth will do some research with other State Organizations regarding the National and Youth advisors and will report to the Board at the next meeting. Tabled until next meeting.

Legislative – No report

2015 Awards – No report

2015 Convention – Stan questioned the number of meeting rooms. He will get a quote from the new owners for the meals. Marilyn indicated the Convention will overlap with the AQHA World Show. Discussion about changing the dates.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

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Stan reported about several possible Montana nominations for the 75 year events with AQHA. Stan questioned the Board about the possibility of having a breakfast meeting at the Nile; 7:30am to 9:00am. Stan will set up the event to be sponsored by MQHA. Stan also reported there will not be a World Show horse sale for 2015.

All agenda items have been satisfied. Rita made a motion to adjourn. Second by Tracy. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy LaCounte, Board Director

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**Next meeting – Teleconference  
June 17, 2015 - 7:00pm**

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