

February 6, 2009 • Board Meeting 6:00 pm
Hilton Garden Inn - Columbia, Missouri
Minutes

- I. Call to order – President Sarah Booker called the meeting to order 6:40 p.m.
- II. 25 members present included: Robyn Armer, Jennifer Bechtel, Rhonda Boles, Sarah Booker, Karen Craighead, Liz Drew, Rosy Erganian, Linda Faerber, Linda Fielder, Lynn Frazee, Jane Gaines, Colleen Hertzog, Dean Hodge, Lisa Holderle, Kelly Hulse, Jean Kraus, Karen Pautz, Jennie Petterson, Laurel Robinson, Linda Roos, Andrew Shayatovich, Michele Smith, Diane Stephens, Sue Webster, Jacqueline Wessel, 1 excused member: Connie Mechlin.
- I. Minutes – Approved and seconded.
- II. Officer Reports
 - A. Treasurer – Linda Faerber handed out the December 2008 financial report. Assets \$50,361.07.
 - B. Membership – Sue Webster handed the membership report to all board members. As a recap there were 152 renewals for 2009, 27 new members. Membership income to date \$3,361.00, expenses \$44.00.
 - C. Show Membership – Sue Webster handed out the show membership report also. Total shows nominated 112, 22 of these were new shows. Income from the shows so far is \$1960.00. Sue is now sending confirmation of nominations to all show managers via e-mail.
 - D. Point Secretaries
 1. Dressage – Lisa Holderle reported that dressage really hasn't kicked off yet.
 2. Eventing – Rosy Erganian reported all went well, and communication was good with Show Managers.
 3. Hunter/Jumper – Jean Kraus reported that she is still doing points by hand, has great hopes for a program in the future.
 4. Show Horses/Ponies – Sue Webster reported all show results are in so far.
 - E. Newsletter Editor – Jean Kraus reported there were still problems with the mail especially in the St. Louis area. The next mail rate is cost prohibitive in mailing the newsletters. Put on membership form whether members want to receive the newsletter digitally or hardcopy. Also it was stated that we should let the membership know how much it costs to send out hardcopies.
 - F. Medallion Secretary – Kelly Hulse reported she has plenty of medallions. Kelly reported she has new ideas: 1) during Saddleseat Junior Medallion give a ribbon out to the highest placing ride from every state. 2) Have a sponsor for a perpetual Sportsmanship award, voted on by the kids, to be awarded in the memory of Maggie Montgomery. 3) To send out membership cards to all equitation riders.
 - G. Financial Steering Committee – Jane Gaines requested that this be tabled until the March meeting.
 - H. Website – Karen Pautz reported that all is fine.
- IV. Old Business – 2008 Banquet Preparation
 - A. Banquet Report – Lynn Frazee reported that 176 tickets sold, expect 180. Must meet a minimum of \$4000.00. Music during the banquet by flutist Shelby Nail and pianist Deborah McAlexander.
 - B. Silent Auction – Colleen Hertzog thanked all those who had donated. There were over 80 Items.
 - C. Year End Awards – Sue Webster, Lynn Frazee reported that they need volunteers for the banquet for handing out Show Horses and Ponies awards. Sue reported that \$3000.00 in sponsorship for classes had been received.
 - D. School Horse of the Year – Lynn Frazee reported there were 4 nominations and it would be set like last year for voting.
 - E. Horse Person of the Year – Jacqueline Wessel stated that there would no longer be voting at the banquet. There was a lack of nominees. Is this something that should be continued or not was a question. People were chosen for each seat by Sarah Booker and Jean Kraus. There were questions from the board as to why they were not included in this selection. It was suggested that this be discussed in the forums on how the members would like this selection

to be handled. Should a person be selected from each seat, bring to the March meeting. At the March meeting the board will vote on how this should be handled.

- F. Forums – Discussion on the Horse Persons of the year, when rules will take effect.
 - 1. Dressage & Eventing – Lisa Holderle, Karen Pautz and Rosy Erganian to head the forum.
 - 2. Hunter/Jumper – Michele Smith
 - 3. Show Horses/Ponies – Kelly Hulse
 - 4. Youth Forum – Kelly Hulse reported that Deborah McAlexander is going to give a motivational 20 minute speech and will play the piano during the banquet. Janet Rohrman will present a fashion show at 1:00.
 - G. Art Show – Jean Kraus reported there are several items. Sue Webster suggested that the winner of the art show be on the cover of the Banquet Program, second place on the back cover.
 - H. “Jeff Shikles” Award – Sarah Booker reported that Kenny Burgdorfer will be present to accept this.
- V. Old Business – not specifically banquet related
- A. Nominations Committee – New Board Members – Jean Kraus reported that the announcement will be made at the General Meeting.
 - B. Medallion Matters
 - 1. Finals 2008 – Jane Gaines reported that all went well, brought up the Hunter Medallion.
 - 2. Medallion Sponsors – Sarah Booker reported that the Hunter Medallion year end awards; both junior and Adult, tack trunks will be sponsored by Tommy McIntyre & Equine Productions, Inc for the year 2008.
 - 3. Possible changes to Medallion structure. Adult SS and Stockseat change to an accumulation of points. The new format works for the Hunters. Also it will only be for accumulation of points in the Medallion classes. There are new patterns, also discussion of awarding the top 10. All of these issues will be discussed at the forums at the banquet.
 - C. Hunter/Jumper Council – Sarah Booker, there has been a restructure of the USEF Jumper divisions, discuss this in forum.
 - D. Youth Council – Kelly Hulse reported that 13 medallions out, getting 4 gold medals.
 - E. Western Committee – Karen Craighead, Jenny Petterson – no report
 - F. Marketing Committee – Laurel Robinson, Liz Drew. Liz Drew wants to get sponsors, and Rhonda Boles did a brochure depicting what MHSA is. Kelly Hulse brought a calendar that MHSA might want to do.
 - H. Sportswear Committee – Sarah Booker reported that the t-shirts will be available at the Apparel Store at the banquet.
 - H. Web Site – Karen Pautz – all is fine.

VI. New Business

- A. Committee formulation for 2009 – Sarah Booker will present at the March meeting.
- B. Formulation of Rule Book Committee – Bring changes from the forums. Point secretaries; please go through rule book for changes. Need to have proposed changes by July.
- C. 2009 meeting dates; and meeting venue for 2009 meetings. The meeting nights will be Mondays, and the venue will be William Woods University, Tucker Hall at 6:00 pm.
- E. Other additions or issues. No new issues.

VII. Adjourned