

Mar 18, 2024 | 📅 MPtHA Board Meeting

Attendees: John Hanson, Abby Schuff, Chad Filek, Vonda Morrison, Kathy Zachmann, Emma Hanson, Sally Daluge

Absent: Renae Wesenberg, Bailey Eisinger, Jenna Hoffman

Guests: PtHA Director Karen Clark, Ron Clark

1. **Call to order** - President Chad Filek called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm
2. **Secretary's report** - After review of the minutes from the February 19, 2024 meeting, motion made by Sally to accept meeting minutes as corrected, with a 2nd by Kathy, M/C.
3. **Treasurer's report** - (as of 2/29/24)
 - a. Main checking \$7,277.03
 - b. Main savings \$50,391.28
 - c. Youth account \$ 1,620.33
 - d. Youth Scholarship \$7,491.38 *still short approximately \$900 if all awards were cashed out today.
 - e. Cash in till \$50.00

John made a motion to approve the treasurer's report with a 2nd by Sally, M/C.

 - f. MPtHA 990 - all members of the Board of Directors reviewed 2023 IRS filing. A hard copy will be available in the show office for any members to review if they wish.
4. **PtHA Director report** - Karen Clark
 - a. PtHA membership fees have gone up \$5, Solid DNA APHA horses will no longer be registered in PtHA as color registry, convention will continue to be held at the same location for next couple years, Kameron Duncanson (MN) inducted into PtHA Hall of Fame as past president, no new rulebook for 2025
 - b. MN Horse Council working to create a list of facilities to host horse shows, in light of 2025 State Fair Coliseum construction.
 - c. Question from Chad: Measuring sticks/measurer certification how often?
Karen will inquire and get back to Chad and John
5. **Committee reports**
 - a. **Shows**
 - i. Equiscribe
 1. Chad had a meeting with Matthew @ Equiscribe. Business requires an increase in fees charged from 5.5% to 8% for the Live Entry and scribing programs. Fee is only taken from items processed through Equiscribe (entries, stalls, shaving, camping;

NOT office or PtHA fees). Proposed a gradual increase throughout 2024 show season, (ie- April @ 5.5%, May @ 6%, July @ 7%, August @ 8%). Paper/check income not included in the fees.

2. Kathy made a motion to move ahead for 2024 show season using Equiscribe, 2nd by Vonda, M/C.
- ii. Meals
 1. April - crockpot soup/chili potluck, donations for dessert, hoping to do this for less than \$100 MPtHA cost, planned for Thursday evening (move-in day).
 2. May need ladles, but no extra extension cords or power strips are needed at this time.
 3. Seek sponsors for future meals in May, July & Aug.
 - iii. Wisconsin Appaloosa Club
 1. Their club is interested in hosting a joint show, Chad said this cannot be considered until 2025
 2. 90 horses at a show in Cannon Falls this past weekend (70 appys?)
 - iv. Cannon Falls facility update
 1. Chad attended a horse show there and was able to view improvement
 2. His opinion is that we will regret not booking a weekend there as they are improving and filling up, especially for 2025 during State Fair shut down.
 3. Footing is improved
 4. Stalls are bigger, but expensive (\$125)
 5. Food menu and choices were good
 6. Facility aware of MN Board of Animal Health exhibition permit requirement, but it falls on the horse show management
 - v. Pony/mini measuring
 1. Question posed to Karen during her Director report
 - vi. Patterns for horse shows
 1. Who is going through the patterns ahead of time? Chad will inquire with Bailey
 - vii. 2024 show staff
 1. Clara - ring steward; will have a sub (potentially Christine Friendt) for August horse show if she is hired to judge
 2. Brenna - Announcer
 3. Robin - ?? or Bridget Gate/Paddock Master
 4. Michelle & Kari - show office
 5. Pony/Mini Measurer - TBD

b. Website

- i. Chad has been corresponding by email with 360 PSG about new website, but no action has been taken.

c. Awards

- i. Show awards for 2024
 - 1. Bailey & Chad have show awards
 - 2. Class awards - April & July Shows, high points @ May and August shows
- ii. Missing awards
 - 1. Some out of state awards still haven't been shipped, addresses have been clarified so everything can be rectified prior to April 15.

d. Youth

- i. Scholarships - Award at the April Horse Show. All BOD members have voted except J. Hoffman. Chad will send results to Abby. Abby will communicate with Margo to have the certificates made to be presented at the April Horse show (2 for 2024 and 1 from 2023)

e. Show entry check list

- i. Michelle and Abby are working on content for FB posts and an e-newsletter to help prepare exhibitors for entering using Equiscribe

f. Showbill

- i. Solid yearling classes? No for April, can add to May because of lead time for PthA approval
- ii. Charity classes: TBD
- iii. Fun classes? Christmas in July? Chad will connect with Renae for ideas?

6. New business

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7. Adjourn

- a. Kathy made a motion to adjourn with a 2nd from John @ 7:55 pm

8. Future 2024 Meeting Dates

Apr 15th May 20th Jun 17th Jul 15th Aug 19th Sep 16th Oct
21st Nov 18th Dec 16th

Action items

- Sponsorship coordinator needs to be identified - volunteer posting?
- Send membership list (2023 & 2024) to Margo for Constant Contact e-newsletter