

MHRI Board meeting  
Thursday June 20th, 2019

Present: Mark Corless, Cathy Dessert, Greg Budach, Nick Roland, Jessica Johnson, Rick Bertrand, Scott Banitt, Rick Magee, Justin Anfinson, Bob Lems, & Kyle VanOtterloo (via telephone). Mikaela DelGiudice

Absent:

Guest: Vicki Pfeilsticker

Called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Agenda approved.

Discussion regarding replacing the 2 person Jog Cart, Pennsbury is \$2295 but has no back. The Brodeaur has been difficult to communicate with them. We have talked with Superior Sulky (Woebkenberg) and they will custom build for a reasonable price.

We discussed the Vern Devine trot and Ron Banks pace set for Dan Patch weekend. Ben Is planning to move ahead with this event.

Scott Banitt & Justin Anfinson will try to get an approximate number of family & friends attending. Mikaela will get the awards made up.

We discussed translating the USTA & MRC trainers study into Spanish a service to some of our members. Cost would be \$667 for 25 pages which would include the study guide & glossary. The discussion was tabled for a later date.

Cathy Desert moved to approve the May minutes which was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Lems & carried.

No member comments

County fair discussion: Judge will be covered by Rich Williams, timer, announcer, vet, drag, clerk, charter all are covered.

Cathy Dessert moved Jessica Johnson 2<sup>nd</sup> the proposal by Ben Blum to increase purse by 10% which carried.

Kyle VanOtterloo mentioned the need to pay attention to the Horse Racing Integrity act and that PETA has been very active regarding whipping violations and due to all the thoroughbred deaths in California.

Housing discussion: Questions regarding Running Aces rules, No one under 14 can live on the backside? Mikaela will contact Aces and verify this will and we can address it once confirmed.

No Major issues from the track or drivers committee.

We discussed texting service, the cost is \$30 for 500 texts but each person receiving a text counts as 1 text. We can pay on a month to month basis.

Cathy Dessert moved and Scott Banitt 2<sup>nd</sup> to keep the texting service & reimburse Mikaela for the fees involved.

Jessica Johnson questioned the stall reimbursement guidelines requiring all owners to be members of MHRI.

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Rick Magee moved & Cathy Dessert 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve the treasurers report which carried.

Executive secretary report: Mikaela mentioned the Summer Fling event coming up for new owners.

Cathy Dessert delivered a trotter statue as a gift to Bob Schiewe.

Rick Bertrand mentioned that Ben & Chris will be coming from California on Dan Patch weekend and would like to meet with the board. Mikaela will gather information for the board on the California program & eligibility.

Rick Magee asked about getting a change machine for the washer & dryer room.

Kyle VanOtterloo would like someone to contact once we've completed the interviews to let him know how they went.

Next meeting, July 25<sup>th</sup> at Running Aces horsemen's lounge 6:30 P.M.

Cathy Dessert moved to adjourn which was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Lems & carried.

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