

MHRI Board meeting  
Friday September 27th, 2019

Present: Mark Corless, Cathy Dessert, Greg Budach, Jessica Johnson Rick Magee, Justin Anfinson, Scott Banitt with Rick Bertrand & Kyle VanOtterloo (via telephone). Patty Strand

Absent: Bob Lems

Called to order at 10:40 a.m.

Mark Corless moved to approve the agenda which was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rick Magee & carried.

Cathy Dessert moved to approve the August minutes which was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mark Corless & carried.

No Members present for comments.

Contract Discussion: Patty will make contact with Taro to schedule a time for the contract negotiations.

MRC meeting update: Aces is pressed for barn space, but plans are to add more ship in stalls.

Yearling Sales: Cannon Falls has been posted on our website, The horse name and amount but nothing on the buyer.

Jessica Johnson has the numbers from Stauffer's sale and will get them to Patty.

Breeders Crown & TVG watch party – Aces is willing to host again & split the cost with us. It wasn't that expensive last year.

Mark will work with Patty to help market the idea to fans.

Finals night review- Mark expressed concerns about having board members present in the winner's circle. It was rather disorganized this year. Mark would like to see board members that are available present the trophy's where possible.

Wheaton race surface- It's typically a problem every year, a suggestion was made to pay Ted to work it ahead of time to get it ready for racing.

We talked about looking into the cost of replacing the starting gate.

Mark Corless moved to approve the Treasurer's report which was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cathy Dessert & carried.

Patty mentioned that she had been contacted by the Pembina County fair in North Dakota about the possibility of racing there again.

Summer Fling- Greg will get the payments out to all of the participants next week.

Cathy mentioned the possibility of starting a PAC fund to help generate money for the sports betting lobby.

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Next meeting scheduled for November 11<sup>th</sup> at Perkins in Faribault at 7 P.M.

Justin Anfinson moved to adjourn which was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rick Magee & carried.

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