

Morgan Horse Association of Oregon

May 22, 2024

7:30 P.M.

Via conference call

Meeting called by: Gay Adams

Type of meeting: General Meeting of the Board

Attendees:

Board Members:

Gay Adams, Karen Breckenridge, Tammy Boyer, Patricia Carlson, Kimberly Moore, Nancy Eidam, Sara Breyman, Sierra Breckenridge, Kyndle Cummins, Erin Silver, Julie Nygaard, Diane Pixlee, Camryn Nicholson

QUORUM PRESENT

Board Members Not Present: Lorraine Beaumont, Sandi Humphres

Minutes

Agenda Item: Secretary's Report

Presenter: Kimberly Moore

Kimberly moved to approve the minutes

Karen seconded

Minutes were approved unanimously

Agenda item: Treasurer's Report

Presenter: Karen Breckenridge

Balance Sheet As of April 30, 2024:

General Checking: \$44,408

Savings Account: \$25,508

Futurity: \$6,164

Nancy Falk: \$10,203

OMC Checking: \$2,250

Miscellaneous: \$273

Grand Total of Assets: \$89,406.00

P&L: \$6,902

Committee Reports:

OMC Show Committee:

Karen: Prize list was put out. Our show radios have been paid for and will be delivered to the show. Specialty plaques have been ordered and ready to be picked up in another week. A flyer was sent out to

Sarah Stubb regarding the open to all breed working western information for the OHC boarders. Kathy has been putting the OTAB working western information out on Facebook and so has Gay in the Stable Sheet. She's working on the schedules for handouts during the show for sessions and sponsors, etc. Kathy, Karen and Erin are working on finalizing plans for the progressive dinner. Nadette Stang has agreed to be our scribe for dressage. Coolers have been embroidered and picked up. Plaques for Youth of the Year have been ordered and picked up. She has raised \$12,000 in sponsorships, which is better than last year. Gay has reached out to Wilco to see if they are interested in having a vendor booth this year. Camryn will be having a booth and Kiersten Moore for the shirts. David with the Fly-Off will be back this year. Kim has reached out to multiple businesses for donations for our Silent Auction being held at the show. She asked for a small donation from the board members. Julie is doing the sponsor baskets and will get with Karen to coordinate. Gay has access to free wine for the baskets if needed and will get together with Julie once she has more information,

Hi Point Committee:

Erin: Nothing new to report. She is getting points from people.

Spring Clinic and Fall Awards Banquet:

Patricia: Mary Jane did a great job with the riders and auditors. \$3,310 was brought in by the riders. \$350 was brought in by auditors. Total expenses came to \$1,998.76 so our net profit came to \$1,661.24. In addition, there are many items left over that can be used for the fall banquet. Discussion followed regarding getting out the coffee pots that are being stored in the show trailer to see if we can make any workable as there were lots of problems at the clinic with the rented ones. Patricia will take one home to try and get it functional.

Tammy: Dye house has been given a deposit for the Fall Banquet for November 10th. Tammy has contacted the Sassy Onion for prices on a taco bar. They've been quoted \$540 for 30 people. Discussion was had regarding this years' format for the banquet into more of a "party" versus having a formal agenda and perhaps we will have more in attendance.

Youth Committee:

Sierra: She has put a "pause" on doing the Youth of the Year study guide because she is writing up new tests for the youth. The ones we have currently are very old.

Kyndle: They will attempt to get a youth newsletter out after the show.

Stallion Auction Committee:

Gay: We brought in \$12,665 in bids. Her goal was \$15,000. That means we did not have the \$5,000 to put toward the budget. We may need to think about doing some fundraising and/or pulling in from somewhere else. We will also have to see how we do at OMC. At our July meeting we need to look at that very strongly in case we do need to do some more fundraising. She has over \$6,000 in the futurity account for reserves. Gay will start in July and August to see if she can pull in more stallions for next year. It's difficult to find a good time to close the auction because of other auctions going on, we don't want to be competing with them. Patricia suggested deciding if the winning bidders must use the breeding that year and if not, putting that on the add as this made a difference in what stallions she has bid on.

Futurity Committee:

Gay: There 22 horses in right now with no nominations for 2024 foals yet. She has seen some foals born, which we usually get a pretty good percentage in. She is working on the futurity booklet and desperately needs ads. She is cutting down the content with no breeders articles this year and no "In Memoriam"

pages as she's trying to keep it as brief and to the point as she can. Gay needs any foal pictures before June 1, 2024.

Promotion:

Erin: AgFest was good. They said they broke the record for attendance this year of 25,000 attendees, but she did not feel like it seemed as busy as last year. Unless people chose to go more into the indoor areas because the weather was colder, rather than the petting zoo area where we were. We handed out approximately 1,100 bags to kids and adults. The coordinator has already reached out to see if we will be returning last year. In the bags were three different brochures from AMHA, a sticker, a tattoo and the coloring sheets and postcard for OMC. Because she didn't go up to Key, she was able to take a class of Morgan mares down to the State FFA judging competition at OSU. She did about 120 bags for that. In those she put the Morgan Stallion and mare standard and a postcard. They didn't really know how to judge the Morgans and were a little intimidated by that, the other two classes were quarter horses that they had to judge. She had talked to Allison Deardorf last year about putting together a judging clinic and invite the OHSET judges, also FFA and 4-H because they don't quite know what to do with the saddle-type breeds. She is interested, but nothing more has been planned. Gay has been working with people from The Oregon Horse council to bring people together from all the different disciplines and breeds. They've held two town-hall type meetings. They had a turn out up at Beaver Creek of 20 plus people. The goal is to come together to see how we can increase our memberships and volunteer bases. If we could work something out with all the different breeds, maybe we could get a judging clinic going that way with FFA and 4-H across all breeds not just Morgans. She feels this would be a great opportunity for a clinic, especially the ones that go out to the Open shows. Gay will keep the Club and Board informed; this may be something that could be a part of our Spring Clinic. Erin also suggested maybe doing a clinic in the fall or winter because of more down time.

Membership Committee:

Gay: Doana's membership report is 68 total members, 32 members not renewed from 2023 and 24 not renewed from 2022. 12 life members, 36 membership renewals, 2 new members. No horse purchases yet. Susan Willis is unable to do our membership record keeping for us due to the program we use as it's not compatible with a Mac.

Ride/Drive Program:

Gay: Nothing new to report but she has talked to Sandy recently.

Scholarship:

Sara: Our scholarship winner this year is Camryn Nicholson.

Open Incentive:

Karen: Nothing new to report, she's only had one person send anything in.

Humanitarian:

Patricia: Nothing new to report.

Website/Stable Sheet:

Gay: She contacted Dallas regarding the videos that are blocked on the website to get them taken down. These are under the youth program section. The June Stable Sheet will go out after OMC.

Emergency Committee:

Gay: Bill Beckley has passed away. He had 20 horses that Lorraine Beaumont has been working with. She may want to do about a 5-minute presentation at the show. We also lost Beverly Olson and we may do something at the show as well. We also lost David Breyman, Sara's husband.

Sunshine Fund: We will send flowers and a card to Lorraine and Gretchen. To help bring down costs, Gay suggested maybe doing a plaque in memoriam instead.

History Committee:

Nancy: She is going to meet with Theresa Peterson. They will be meeting to give Nancy old Club stuff and magazines as she wasn't able to keep storing. Approximately five boxes of items. She and Gay will get together after OMC to piece together some questions she has after some educational things Gay sent to her.

New Business: **Gay gave information** regarding the animal cruelty bill that they are trying to get passed in Oregon Congress. She urged everyone to contact their congressmen. This will be coming up in 2026 for a vote. Gay will re-circulate the information to the board as additional information is received.

Meeting Adjourned

Adjourned at 9:06 p.m. Next scheduled meeting will be on July 24th, 2024, at 7:30 p.m. via conference call.