

# Morgan Horse Association of Oregon

April 6, 2024

12:00 P.M.

Held at the Spring Clinic

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**Meeting called by:** Gay Adams      **Type of meeting:** General Meeting of the Membership

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**Attendees:**

**Board Members:**

Gay Adams, Karen Breckenridge, Tammy Boyer, Patricia Carlson, Kimberly Moore, Erin Silver, Kyndle Cummins, Camryn Nicholson

**Non-Board Members:** Liz McNeely, Kathy Christianson, Elaine Rosenberg, Kate Smith, Kathy Stead, Melanie Garrison

**QUORUM PRESENT (but we thought we were short one)**

**Board Members Not Present:** Sara Breyman, Julie Nygaard. Diane Pixlee, Sandy Humphres, Lorraine Beaumont, Nancy Eidam, Sierra Breckenridge

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## Minutes

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**Agenda Item:** Secretary's Report

**Presenter:** Kimberly Moore

**March Minutes were approved via email**

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**Agenda item:** Treasurer's Report

**Presenter:** Karen Breckenridge

Balance Sheet As of March 31st, 2024:

General Checking: \$32, 988

Savings Account: \$25, 505

Futurity: \$5,679

Nancy Falk: \$10,203

OMC Checking: \$4,209

**Grand Total of Assets: \$78,890**

**P&L: \$3,645.** Normal for this time of year until income from SSA & OMC comes in.

**Committee Reports:**

**OMC Show Committee:**

**Karen:** We have finished the prizelist and it is on the MHAO website. Everything is coming together as far as the awards, coolers and ribbons to come. Working on the progressive dinner, etc. A question was asked about putting out a press release for the show. Gay asked if anyone would like to put something out, that they pass it by her first so we can make sure it doesn't make problems for us down the road.

**Hi Point Committee:**

**Erin:** Nothing new to report.

**Spring Clinic and Fall Awards Banquet:**

**Patricia:** Welcome to the Spring Clinic. Patricia has implored everyone to fill out the surveys of what everyone would like to see for future Spring Clinics. Different discussions were held for various venues and food options for the Fall banquet. Erin suggested a taco bar. Tammy's issue with the venues that she has encountered has been that there is a two-hour maximum, which would not be long enough for our meetings. We need to decide on a venue soon or we won't be able to get one.

#### **Youth Committee:**

**Kyndle and Camryn:** Almost done with the youth newsletter. There are a few technical details they are working on. This will be finished and published next week.

#### **Stallion Auction Committee:**

**Gay:** Auction is open until April 20<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. it is all online. We have 27 stallions currently offered.

#### **Futurity Committee:**

**Gay:** We don't have big money in the futurity like they do back East. All of our futurity classes have prize money. We offer halter classes from 0-2 years old. Those who place first or second in their halter class can move on to their associated sweepstakes class. There are two halter divisions. One section that has sport-type horses, so sport & Western: and then a traditional section. Performance classes are available for 2-4 yr olds. We have a driving class for 2 year olds and a wide array of performance classes for 3-4 year olds. The proceeds from the stallion auction provide our futurity prize money.

#### **Promotion:**

**Erin:** Ordered a new 2X10' banner for AgFest. Will probably take LittleWood Chinook again. All brochures, stickers, tattoos, coloring sheets, etc. will be taken and put together with new swag bags. All within budget. We received a \$1,500 grant from AMHA that will allow us to do more than last year. AgFest is at the Salem Fairgrounds April 27-28.

We will have a presence at the Oregon State Fair, and Erin will again head up the "Battle of the Breeds" which Morgans have won for the last three years.

#### **Membership Committee:**

**Gay:** If you haven't sent your membership dues in, please do so right away. We don't have an official membership chair yet. We need someone who knows Microsoft Access. We don't have any Board Members that currently have knowledge of that program. We can have a volunteer to take this position, but they must be connected with us and attend Board meetings. If anyone is interested, please let Gay know.

#### **Ride/Drive Program:**

**Gay for Sandi Humphres:** Nothing new to report, Gay explained how the program works and asked everyone to enroll in the program.

#### **Open Incentive:**

**Karen:** Nothing new to report.

#### **Scholarship:**

**Gay for Sara:** Gay wants everyone to know that applications are open for the MHAO scholarship, and everyone is welcome to apply. Close date is May 15. There is no age limit and those who have been past recipients can apply again. This year has been sponsored by Sally Plumley for the Alex Mooney scholarship award. Sally is Alex's grandmother.

**Humanitarian Award:**

**Patricia:** Nothing new to report. Anyone can be nominated at any time for things someone has done to go out of their way to help others, but nominations for this year are due May 1<sup>st</sup> if they are to be given out at OMC,

**Website/Stable Sheet:**

**Gay:** Almost everything is updated on the website. The youth section still has videos that cannot be accessed. This was verified by Kyndle. Camryn will contact Dallas to have them removed.

The Stable sheet goes out on the 10<sup>th</sup> of every month. Please let Gay know if you do not receive it via email.

We need someone to monitor our Facebook pages (club and OMC). There is another FB site for OMC and a sales FB site that uses our name but neither one is our site. Gay can't access the official OMC site that is ours. Kathy Christensen to see if that can be resolved. Gay will contact Margo Mossburg who created those two unauthorized sites and ask her to change the names on them.

**New Business:**

Patricia would like to explore the possibility of holding a combined open Morgan schooling type show. There would need to be someone who could spearhead this. If anyone would like to step forward to volunteer for this, please let Gay know. Karen cannot do it. She is maxed out on her time. Neither can Gay.

Everyone should be thinking about silent auction items to bring to OMC. Please let Kim Moore know what you can bring so she can make up bid sheets before the show.

Patricia said that Bob Morgan of Triton Morgans passed away. Discussion followed on what we might do. The discussion was tabled to be taken up by the Board via email.

**Meeting Adjourned**

1:10 p.m. Next scheduled Board meeting will be on May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. via conference call.