

The July 22, 2026 MHAO Board Meeting was held via conference call. The meeting was called to order by President Kathy Christensen at 7:35pm.

Board Members Present: Kathy Christensen, Kim Moore, Gay Adams, Karen Breckenridge, Sierra Breckenridge, Kyndle Cummins, Camryn Nicholson, Erin Silver, Nancy Eidam, & Kiersten Moore.

Not Present: Tammy Boyer, Patricia Carlson, Sandi Humphres, Sara Breyman, Sarah DeFazio.

Quorum Met.

Secretary Report - Gay Adams

The June Board Meeting minutes were approved via email.

Treasurer's Report as of 6/30/2026 - Karen Breckenridge

\$31,942	General Checking
25,513	Savings
3,139	Futurity
8,853	Nancy Falk Donation
56,335	OMC
473	Miscellaneous
\$126,256	Total Assets
\$ 46,488	Current Income

Net Income is centered in the Oregon Morgan Classic and from the MHAO Stallion Service Auction. Additional income came in from \$2,500 in scholarship donations and over \$2,000 that came in from membership dues. We are still waiting for the final accounting while we wait for the invoice from the Oregon Horse Center (our largest show expense). We are still waiting and to payout futurity prize money, too. More about that later in the minutes. Net Income will not be this high by year end.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SHOW COMMITTEE – Karen Breckenridge

We received a lot of good comments about the show. Everyone liked the Fiesta night. At the show the Feed Room Restaurant announced they were staying open until 5pm, so we had to move the Fiesta to in front of the Silver & Breckenridge stalls, but all went well. Only heard good things about the judges, and the weather was great. 131 horses, so good turnout. Still waiting for the billing from the Oregon Horse Center.

HIGH POINT COMMITTEE – Erin Silver

Nothing new, but Erin needs a reminder on what the budget is. Gay will let her know. Same people are reporting as in past year. Erin will put out a reminder that the Oregon Morgan Classic counts double for High Point.

EDUCATION/SPRING CLINIC COMMITTEE – Patricia Carlson & Sarah DeFazio not present. No report.

HUMANITARIAN AWARD – Patricia Carlson not present

Gay has asked Patricia to send her the write-up for Kathy Christensen for this award to put into the Stable Sheet.

BANQUET COMMITTEE – Patricia Carlson not present

Kathy will call her for information. Patricia is under evacuation level 2.

YOUTH COMMITTEE – Camryn Nicholson & Sierra Breckenridge

Per Sierra we had one participant in the Youth Of The Year. She is 10 years old, participated as a walk/trot entry, and rides with Erin. With no Seniors competing, we have no one to send to Nationals. Having the ridden pattern and speech done virtually before the show made things go a lot better at the show. We have enough awards still in hand to cover next year.

Camryn will reach out to the rider and interview her for the Youth newsletter. Camryn said she will work on promoting our Youth Program more, will keep looking for other activities to offer, and will get back to publishing a Youth Newsletter again. If anyone has ideas for our Youth, please send them to Camryn Nicholson &/or Kyndle Cummins.

STALLION AUCTION COMMITTEE – Gay Adams

The final accounting for the stallion service auction is still pending. The normal transfer to the Futurity will depend on the Futurity sponsorship money coming in. Invoices just went out. This year we had:

\$6,775 in bids on stallions (our goal was \$14,000).

\$1,025 in bids on other items.

\$7,800 Total

FUTURITY COMMITTEE – Gay Adams

We currently have 28 horses in the Futurity:

2022 – 3 (these will age off for next year.

2023 – 7.

2024 – 10.

2025 – 5.

2026 – 3 so far. We usually get more before year's end. These still need to pay their nomination fees.

FYI, all futurity horses are now pictured on our website.

Fees collected:

2026 renewals \$700.

Show fees collected \$250 so far. A few did not pay entry fees yet and will be charged post entry fees against what they earned in prize money.

\$30 to be refunded.

We sold \$1,085 in ads. All of this goes toward printing costs. SSA pays for the actual cost of the booklet pages dedicated to the auction. Donations were received to cover the rest of the cost of printing and shipping the booklet.

Sponsorships pledged \$6,787. Invoices were just sent out for ads and sponsorships this week.

One of the sponsorship pledges is \$5,000 from Alena Rae. Gay needs to see these funds come in before she is comfortable calculating and disbursing prize money. If it all comes in, Gay is hoping she can follow the normal equation for paying the club for the futurity classes after all. We will see.

PROMOTION COMMITTEE –Erin Silver

Since no State Fair Horse Show this year, Erin is trying to get with Sarah DeFazio to see if we can do a horse demonstration at the State Fair, maybe with Saddlebreds too & maybe other breeds. If we do that, Erin will ask to have a table/booth by the stalls. We are also investigating the Washington State Fair. If anyone has any ideas, let Erin know. We want to do more promotion.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE – Kathy Christensen & Gay Adams

At 6/25/2026 we had 73 members, up from 61 at the same time last year. We are headed in the right direction. We need to keep working on it. This is the last membership information Gay has.

2026 Membership breakdown as of 6/25/2026

11 Life Members

52 Membership Renewals

08 New Members

02 Horse Purchase

73 Total 2026 Members; 14* members not renewed from 2025

May 19, 2025 Memberships

61 Total 2025 Members; 16 members not renewed from 2024

Additional info not mentioned: We have 31 family memberships, & 29 individual memberships. Gay has asked for updated information for July.

Gay will be asking Doana to create our new directory now. She may circulate program information to each Chair to look over and make any needed corrections.

RIDE/DRIVE PROGRAM – Sandi Humphres not present

No information available.

OPEN INCENTIVE – Karen Breckenridge

2 people have requested reimbursement so far this year.

WEBSITE/STABLE SHEET – Gay Adams

Working on getting the most recent classified ad list updated on the website. Gay said she contacts those with ads shown every 2 or 3 months to see if their ad is still current. She picks up ads anywhere she sees them for our area.

SUNSHINE – Tammy Boyer

Tammy is fulfilling all requests. Gay asked that Tammy circulate a report to the Board so we know who got what. This will help the Board know if someone has already been taken care of or not.

ALEX MOONEY SCHOLARSHIP – Sara Breyman not present

Gay has asked for essays to publish in the Stable Sheet and on our website for the winners that were announced at OMC. The recipients were Camryn Nicholson & Allison Peek. Karen has them and will send them to Gay before the next publication date. Gay will forward to Dallas for the website, too. We need to be sure we are keeping a history of our recipients, through the Chair is suggested. That said, it is shown on the website.

HISTORY COMMITTEE – Nancy Eidam

Nothing to report.

EMERGENCY COMMITTEE – Kim Moore

Fire danger is increasing and Patricia Carlson and others are under evacuation levels, but so far nothing to report. Kim asks that she be sent a text if anyone hears anything. Text works, email probably not.

SOCIAL MEDIA – Kiersten Moore

Kathy will get with Kiersten soon to discuss the duty and strategy for this position.

CORPORATE LIASON – Sarah DeFazio not present

No report.

NEW BUSINESS – Kathy Christensen

Kathy asked that all Board members let her know their intention for next year about staying on the Board, and if they would like to change their duty assignment/s. So far, we know we will need someone to run for President & Secretary. We will need new Chairs for Membership, Stallion Service Auction, Futurity, and a Stable Sheet Editor. Kathy doesn't know the number of people we need to add yet. She will let us know. Let Kathy know of any suggestions you have.

Camryn can remain as our Youth Director for one more year.

Gay asked if we should discuss the Youth or Associate Membership level we talked about earlier in the year. Kathy wants that to be tabled for this year and left to the new Board.

Next Meeting:

August 12th, 2026 at 7:30pm via conference call

Next Activities:

Award Banquet & General Membership Meeting: November 8th, 2026 at the Willamette Heritage Center in Salem.

Motion to adjourn was made by Nancy Eidam at 8:24pm. Second received from Kim Moore. Passed.

**Respectfully submitted,
Gay Adams, MHAO Secretary**