

Minnesota Cutting Horse Association  
January 22, 2024  
Stacy, MN

Board Members present: Jordan Holte, Jeff Pauly, Brooke Drassal-Creighton, Leigh Gall, Travis Grover, Deb Sonnenberg and Mary Jo Lehmann. Michael Schreck was excused from the meeting. Dava Scribner was also present. Chairperson, Jeff Pauly called the meeting to order at 11:17 am. Brooke Drassel-Creighton was welcomed as a new Board member.

Jeff Pauly was re-elected as Chairperson and Mary Jo Lehmann as Vice Chairperson.

Mary Jo Lehmann proposed that the association revamp the By-Laws and presented her recommendations to the Board. Mary Jo Lehmann made a motion to present the By-Law changes to the General Membership at the March Madness year-end meeting during the banquet. Leigh Gall made a second to the motion. Motion carried.

Deb Sonnenberg and Jordan Holte agreed to be the Communication liaisons. They intend to examine the possibilities of expanding the MCHA's "social media presence". Possibilities discussed were; to hire someone to do the Face Book posts and do the Website updates, including looking into implementing a new website.

The Board discussed at length, ideas and ways to grow the entries at the shows.

The upcoming Cuttings were discussed and Mary Jo Lehmann made a motion to set the fees and added money as follows:

VERNDALE MARCH MADNESS: Friday and Sunday - added money @299, EF and CC each @150, OC @ 50 and misc @ 10. Saturday will have added money @ 500. Non added money classes will be the same as the 2023 October cutting.

VERNDALE APRIL SPRING: Fees will be the same all 3 days - added money @299, EF and CC each @150, OC @ 50 and misc @ 10. Non added money classes will be the same as the 2023 October cutting.

3 OWATONNA WEEKENDS: Fees will be the same all 3 days all 3 weekends - added money @ 500, EF and CC each @150, OC @ 50 and misc @ 10. Non added money classes will be the same as the 2023 October cutting.

Leigh Gall made a second to the motion. Motion carried.

Brooke Drassal-Creighton and Deb Sonnenberg agreed to organize the Banquet for the 2023 awards. (including the meal and auction items)

Mary Jo Lehmann made a motion to have the Dave Scribner Memorial Saddle Shoot-Out along with Aged Event classes on Friday October 18<sup>th</sup> with added money @ 500, EF and CC each @150, OC @ 50 and misc @ 10. Saturday and

Sunday would have added money @299, EF and CC each @150, OC @ 50 and misc @ 10. Non added money classes will be the same as the 2023 October cutting. Deb Sonnenberg made a second to the motion. Motion carried.

After some discussion it was determined that some changes to the Shoot-Out rules would be made. The number of qualifiers per class would go from 5 to 3 and the 50% portion of the rule would be changed to 25%.

Meeting dates and agendas were discussed. Deb Sonnenberg agreed to set up a Zoom meeting at 6pm Tuesday March 26<sup>th</sup>.

Submitted by Dava Scribner