

QCABHA BOD Meeting Minutes

May 15, 2020 ~ 6:00 p.m. ~ Conference Call via Skype

Present: Gail Stevens, Cindy Meldrum, Annette Johnson, Kathy Brenneman, Jennifer Miller, Lowes Schmidt, Sue Larkin

- BOD meeting notes from April 17, 2020 were ready by Cindy. Motion to approve as read by Lowes; 2nd by Annette. Meeting notes approved as read. Motion to approve by Lowes; 2nd by Kathy. Meeting minutes were approved as read.
- Treasurer's Report read by Lowes. Currently have \$18,017.50 in the various CD, savings and checking accounts. No outstanding bills, no income since last month. Ribbon order has gone down considerably and will be less than \$500. Motion to approve treasurer's report as read by Cindy; 2nd by Sue. Treasurer's report approved as read.
- MVF is planning full scale events. They are being very generous with us and ask that we send in the contract to reserve the dates for our shows, but not to pay them until about a week in advance. MVF feels that will be much easier for all concerned if something gets cancelled due to Covid-19 lockdowns that they wouldn't have to send a reimbursement check to us. Trying to keep things simple and clean. Still hoping that the MVF fair is still a go. MVF will let us know as soon as they hear since they are on the governor's list for closures.
- GiGi's was cancelled and they were fine with that and appreciative that we were concerned for their health. A new tentative date was set for Friday, Sept. 18, 2020 at The Paddocks in West Davenport, IA. Gail will check with The Paddocks and GiGi's club to see if all are available.
- Big Brothers/Big Sisters schedule – Jennifer will check her schedule for GiGi's and BB/BS to be available to help. Sue would like to have BB/BS in October to spread events out. Oct. 17 sounds like it may work for everyone. Gail will check with Black Spur and BB/BS to see if they would have availability.
- Will only be 3 open shows (so far) – do we still want to have a high-point program for 2020? Jennifer – brought up that dressage category would have to be dropped as there would only be one show for them to compete at. Annette – do we think it will make a difference in attendance, will it entice people to still come or will people just be happy to come and show. Cindy – if we don't have the high point program, we really wouldn't need to have the year-end banquet. It could save the club money unless we still have an auction. Kathy – feels that we should still have the banquet for the friendship/social aspect to keep people connected. Gail – would like to continue the high point program but reduce the entry fees. Sue – we should have something, but it has to be reduced. Keep the costs down with just a certificate and monetary awards. Cindy – reduce the entry fees from \$25 per division (covered 5 shows); reduce it down to \$15 to cover the 3 shows left over. Lowes mentioned that there is \$323.53 that was rolled over from 2019 for the high point fund. Motion to reduce high point fees to \$15 by Cindy; 2nd by Sue. Motion passed.
- Thanksgiving Banquet and annual voting will be held at Butterworth Center in Moline on Friday, November 6, 2020. Gail will check to see if Butterworth Center will be available.
- Christmas Awards Banquet – Cindy really likes the idea of having it at the Carriage House and have food catered in. It was much more relaxed. Gail will check with Carriage House for December 13 at 11:30 (ish). Cindy will check on catering options. Will we still try to do an auction/raffle? Yes.
- Sponsors – We promoted their advertising money as being announced at our shows. To date, we have had to cancel two of our shows and others may be in danger. How should we thank the sponsors for their support and make it right with them? Cindy and Gail will compose a letter to thank them for their support. Offer them that we will run their ads/business cards through May shows of 2021 at now extra charge then give them the opportunity to renew their sponsorship at a reduced rate to finish out the 2021 year.
- All Illinois 4-H shows have been cancelled through July 5, 2020.
- Silver Spurs Saddle Club is still having their shows. They are doing some proactive things regarding entry fees. They are requiring entries to be pre-entered; they will accept checks only or pay-pal. They will not accept any cash and trying to keep everyone at a distance. They are also requiring that trailers park at least 10' apart and no social gatherings at each other's trailers or common areas. No food booth would be provided so everyone would be responsible for their own food/drinks. Ribbons must be laid out to maintain distance. Gail will send everyone a guideline that she has from another club on possible Covid-19 guidance for horse shows.
- Next BOD meeting will be Friday, May 22 at 6:00 p.m. via Skype to discuss June 28 show rules for Covid-19. Cindy will get this set up.
- No further BOD business.
- Motion to adjourn by Lowes; 2nd by Cindy. Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by
Cindy Meldrum, 2020 Secretary

Date Approved: