

MHRI Board meeting
Tuesday Novemberber 20, 2017
Perkins Lakeville

Present: Mark Corless, Vern Devine, Bob Lems, Cindy Ivy, Kyle VanOtterloo, Ulf Holm-Johansen (Jessica Johnson, Greg Budach, Rick Magee Justin Anfinson Via phone) & Dan Poprawski

Absent: Ron Banks

Minutes: Vern moved & Ulf 2nd the motion to approve the minutes from the Oct. 24th meeting which carried.

Treasurer's report: Mark moved & Ulf 2nd to approve the treasurer's report which carried.

Director's report- Dan reviewed the status of the card club & ADW to date and both are performing better than projected.

Dan mentioned the HHI convention and asked whether the board would like him to attend once again this year.

There was discussion on the previously introduced petition and the board's intent for action. It was felt that we should hold off deciding to send Dan to the HHI convention until we've done a formal evaluation

Annual meeting discussion- Dan is looking into a speaker, Greg suggested hiring David Pfarr (a magician) that we had used in 2011.

Jessica asked about the marketing committee's participation, does the board still want them to be involved at the same level with meeting prep? No problems from anyone regarding marketing committee's role. They will try to do better at being inclusive of any that want to help. Bob suggested we do a better job of recognizing our sponsors (like Houls). Greg will contact the magician & Dan will try to make contact with Ron Burk. Vern mentioned the Hall of Fame, Jessica will post on Facebook & ask for volunteers for a nominating committee.

We discussed the letter to the racing commission regarding Eric Beach. Do we submit this to the commission? Jessica proposed making some slight changes & Mark said he would make the changes & submit to the board & Dan for delivery to the MRC & staff.

Rule change survey discussion- surveys are currently limited to 100. Cindy checked into Survey Monkey and said the cost is \$35.00/month. It can be dropped at any time. She will check into the total cost and commitment level. We need the questions to be customizable. Cindy & Jessica are both willing to check into this further.

Mark introduced Jody Wilson who had asked to address the board. She asked once again about the petition form July 10th?

Why has the board not responded? She asked Bob to explain the level of service from our director. She asked the board to please deal with this issue seriously & urgently. She also asked the board to consider putting funds from MHRI towards an aged trot and would like to inquire about the discussion we had about putting funding together for Richard Bertrand's injured horse. She asked about the money allocated for races that didn't fill & what happens to the money that is not paid? Jessica, Cindy & Rick had explored the idea of funding for injured horses but never brought it to the board. It could be put on the agenda for the next board meeting.

4 board members are up for election this year, Ron, Cindy, Ulf, & Jessica. Next meeting set for December 14th at Perkins in Faribault.

Kyle moved to adjourn, 2nd by Mark & carried

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