

MMAHA NEWSLETTER

Meeting Minutes <u>December 2020</u>

On December 5, 2020, the meeting was held via Zoom. President, Lynda Frenchick called the meeting to order at 1:05 PM. Members present were: J. Liestman, V. Temp, J. Liestman, L. Mueller, R. Gilbert, M. Smith, J. Riebe, K. Frenchick, M. Beecroft and M. Lieser.

A motion was made to approve the minutes from October as published in the newsletter by Mary S. and a second by Valerie T.

Treasurer Report:

Valerie T. had emailed the officers/board the current Treasurer's report prior to the meeting. She reported that there hasn't been much activity.

-The delegates have been reimbursed for the convention.

- \$100 check was received from the Litchfield Chamber of Commerce for the donation to the royalty.

-Given the expenses of the May 2021 show, the club may need to think about cashing in a portion of the CD and transfer the funds into the checking account.

Mary S. made the motion to approve the Treasurer's report with Jean L. seconding that motion.

Committee Reports:

The One Day Shows:

Mary S., Roz Ğ. and Kaitlyn F. all gave an update on the May show for 2021. *Qualifications:*

-AHA voted to have no qualification requirements for Regionals and Nationals for 2021. The NMAHA showbill will reflect this change.

<u>TBA Classes</u>:

-AHA is charging a \$15 fee for each TBA class that is held. This change has been noted on our showbill.

Added Classes:

-Ranch Horse Rail Pleasure, Ranch Horse Trail and In-Hand-Trail have been added.

<u>Judges:</u>

-Skylar Powell is the judge for Saturday. Mary S. asked him if he'd be willing to give a 20-30 minute clinic on the Ranch Horse Classes.

-There maybe a Youth Highpoint Buckle awarded for Saturday.

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Committee Reports (Cont):

Youth:

-Saturday will be a "youth gathering" day with the Hippology contest held in person as well as online possibly.

-Part of the Youth entry fees for only Saturday's classes would go towards the Region 10 Youth. -There maybe a Youth Highpoint Buckle awarded for Saturday.

<u>Promotional Flyer:</u>

-Kaitlyn F. is working on designing a flyer promoting the show.

June OIEP/WSCA Show:

<u>Covid:</u>

-Covid guidelines may still be in effect.

<u>Judge(s):</u>

-Steve Bobzin will judge in 2021.

- Lynda is still going to attempt to line up a second WSCA judge. If none are available then look into other options.

Royalty:

Jaime L. reported that the 2021 sashes arrived for our Royalty. Individual photos will be lined up for our two royalty members.

Ambassador:

Jean L. reported that 9 individuals (7 adults and 2 youth) participated in tracking their time spent with their Arabian or Half-Arabians. A few individuals tracked their time, but they weren't current members with NMAHA, so they couldn't partake in the program. -Awards are being finalized.

Hippology/Youth Judging:

Kaitlyn F. gave an update.

-There will be a small fee to participate in the Hippology contest.

-Online or in person are available.

-Zoe Eblen did compete in the virtual AHA Youth Judging Team.

OLD BUSINESS:

<u>Term of Board Members:</u>

Roz G. made the motion to keep the Officer positions as is with a second by Jean L.

-President = Lynda Frenchick

-Vice President = Missy Beecroft

-Treasurer = Valerie Temp

-Secretary = Jaime Liestman

Kathy Monico's term is up as a member of the Board of Directors. Lynda F. will reach out and see if she'd like to hold this position for another term.

Arabians Unplugged Membership:

-Since no banquet was held in 2020, no membership dues are required. Mary S. made the motion that \$75 is earmarked for promotional use for Arabians Unplugged in 2021. This motion was seconded by Jean L.

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NEW BUSINESS:

AHA Convention Recap:

Mary S. and Kaitlyn F. reported on the convention.

Even though it was held virtually this year, it was well done and cost effective. By attending virtually, it allowed participation in more committee meetings and made voting go faster.
All resolutions passed.

<u>Other:</u>

<u>Upcoming Meeting Dates:</u> January 23, 2021- Annual Meeting via Zoom @ 1:00 PM

March 13, 2021 – Meeting and Ambassador Awards (tentatively at the Paynesville Community Center, otherwise held via Zoom) @ 1:00 PM

April 17, 2021 – Meeting @ 1:00 PM

Meeting was adjourned at 2:14 PM.

Jaime Liestman, NMAHA Secretary

President's Perspective

Thoughts from my perspective....

Our December meeting was held remotely, and this is certainly a change from our traditional December Christmas gathering and celebrating the year that is coming to a close.

Certainly 2020 has been very challenging for all. We ended up cancelling both of our shows and also saw the cancellation of many other shows and our Region 10 championship. We missed getting together with people we know and perhaps only see at the regional shows. We understand the need and the sacrifices, and I pray that we will soon see this recent increase in cases decrease as we travel through the course of this virus.

We move forward with plans for our May Value Shows and our June Open show and look forward to seeing all our exhibitors and members.

We had the privilege to say that our 2020 Royalty have agreed to perform that honor in 2021. Thank you to Lily and Maddie, our Princess and Sweetheart royalty. We look forward to seeing you at our events and your reports of your activities in the coming year.

It is that time of year for Officer and Board Member nominations. Our election will be held with the January meeting. At this time - it will likely be a Zoom meeting or at least a combination of meeting in person and zoom.

As this year comes to a close - we can look back on our accomplishments and successes and look forward to the coming year of doing what we love. Owning Arabian and part-Arabian horses and doing with them what we like best.

I will take this time to close the year by thanking everyone who helps our club and by wishing all of our club members, volunteers and friends a very Merry Christmas and blessed New Year!

Lynda Frenchick

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