

## MMOHSC Board Meeting August 3, 2011

Meeting called to order: 7 pm.

Treasurers report- Starting July Balance- \$6,621.48

There was an expenditure of \$71 and an income of \$236

Ending July Balance- \$6,786.48

### Attendance-

Andrea Laney (phone conference); Judy & Gerry Hanson, Nancy & Mike Squanda, Jen Clark attended. Nancy G (phone conference) and Jenny B (pre-meeting phone call) before meeting. Kim Dittenber also called during the meeting with the coat information. Mary Karl gave her positive vote for the year-end prizes via email. No contact back from Shannon Shooter.

### New Business-

- Discussed showing at Alma versus Ithaca. Need to table it and discuss it with the whole board due to it being such a complicated subject.
- Discussed double judged shows, pros and cons. Would cheapen prizes at the end of the year, but if you did blankets fees it would encourage more people in a class. Or we could eliminate one weekend show to compensate for being double judged.
- Talked about a certificate for \$5 instead of \$5 dollar bills for first place in a riding class; will revisit.
- Introductory shows- AQHA- \$50 application fee paid by MMOHSC, would check AQHA cards and would possibly get points (Andrea is checking), would have to use certain Judges, one possible judge is Tim Abler. Discussed Mt. Pleasant being one of the shows we could do. Would possibly bring more people to the circuit.

### Old Business-

- End of the year Prizes-

Halter- embroidered grooming totes Grand and Reserve only.

Overall and Reserve- Embroidered Jacket (Kim Dittenber researched jackets and embroidery and has two pictures to present for choosing)

Overall age winners- highpoint (belt buckle), reserve (embroidered halter & lead). Judy will order them through Kathy's and Wendy Cook.

Novice and peewee- smaller belt buckles for highpoint only, embroidered halters for reserve. Judy will order them through Kathy's and Wendy Cook.

Lead line- trophies for high point and reserve.

- Spoke about point value versus dollar amount. We currently have about 8000 points before the August Ithaca show so points would have to be valued at about \$0.25. Talked about bringing it back up to the membership in order to revisit it and see their opinion.

400 points will be the top value in the catalogue

The rest of the point values will be doubled. The 1-10 will be split into 2 categories 3-10 and 11-20 in order to make the point values reflect the prize value.

Still have TSC and Schneider's gift cards and the option for a trophy. Discussed whether we should put that gift cards are based on \$0.25 per point, will leave it off and the board will just figure it based on how what would like to use for gift cards and send.

16 points for one class coupon

\$1,900 was spent on year end prizes last year, try to stick to that this year. \$175 per coat including embroidery (\$350); Belt Buckles (\$943); halters (\$325); halter highpoint (\$70); \$1748 total not including peewee trophies or

- Class Coupons- Andrea has finalized the design and suggested we do a spreadsheet to keep track of who has what points so there isn't any copying of coupons.
- All by-law changes voted on last year are going to be made in the by-laws by Gerry H. They weren't updated before transferring over to the new board. The web site bylaws will be updated as well as patterns 1 & 2 for reining. Prizes we weren't remembering per bylaw changes voted on last year were for all halter divisions (including 2 & under, mares, geldings, and color class), Junior and Senior horse classes. Prizes for these will be embroidered towel sets with the year and class divisions (Judy will get towels). We will still do overall high point halter and reserve halter this year (grooming bags).
- Jennie Bigelow will be collecting the money from the food vendor from the Mt. Pleasant show (\$150.00) to be deposited with the final Ithaca show.
- We need office help Saturday morning of the Ithaca show. Judy Hanson and Andrea Laney are working in the office on Friday. Kim Dittenber is doing stalls. Kim – is Ben working as ring steward? Nancy Squanda is announcing both Saturday and Sunday. Jennie Bigelow is helping in the office. Kim Squanda is helping in the office Sunday morning. Darren Dittenber and Gerry Hanson are scheduled to help part time in the office on both afternoons. Brian and Tommy are doing gates. Nancy Squanda will be contacting Mary Karl and Shannon Shooter about working Saturday morning.

Meeting Adjourned 9:30 PM