

Merced Horseman's Association
Board Meeting Minutes
February 11, 2010

President, Kevin Moore, called the regular board meeting of Merced Horseman's Association to order at 6:38 pm. Roll call was taken, members present included Kevin Moore, Kayla Herrera, Sarah Friesen, Maria Skordos-Moore, Lisa Krogh, Arnie Kiil, Sally Kaczynski, Brett Weaver, and Dennis Friesen. Members absent were, Karen Camp and Bill Banducci. Guests in attendance at this meeting were Rhonda Holden, member.

The minutes of the meeting on January 2010 were accepted by main motion Sally and seconded by Arnie.

President Kevin Moore then welcomed all members and guests to this meeting and brought forth correspondence from the last month. There was a newsletter from San Joaquin Horsemen's Association, an invitation to join the NCJRA at their board meeting, and a letter from Merced Ranch Supply regarding a booth on April 17th.

The treasurer gave her report. Stating the following balances: Checking: \$4968.55, Savings: \$5348.25, and Scholarship: \$1207.30. The treasurer's report was accepted and filed as read, main motion Lisa seconded by Brett. The treasurer was called by Liz Johnston, manager of RaboBank in the Promenade in Merced to consider changing MHA accounts to their bank. It was discussed, and decided to have Liz Johnston come to the March meeting for a question and answer before changing banks. A motion was made by Lisa and seconded by Sally.

Old Business: The caretaker spoke with Ray Pombo – he will be here on Saturday to go over the water pipe locations, etc. Water is still connected to hoses for living quarters and clubhouse, but working OK. Caretaker to: price out trencher to fix pipes. It was decided to purchase an amplifier for announcers stand at \$199.99, Arnie made the motion and Brett seconded. The batteries for the radios were to wait. Caretaker informed the Board that in the last storm part of the metal roof blew off the clubhouse, and uncovered rotten wood on the overhang. He stated it would take 8 sheets of plywood. Also, women's restroom light was out. Caretaker requested to add to his contract with MHA to include MHA pay for one (1) propane bill. Brett made a motion

to renegotiate contract to add: club will pay for 100 gallons of propane annually for caretaker use Arnie seconded it. He also stated that as of this meeting both arenas are underwater; pump will cost \$80 to \$100. Arnie will contact Kellogg's and Merced Ranch Supply about trading a submersible pump for one-year business card add in newsletter.

Dues Dinner is scheduled for march 13th at 6:30 pm, menu: corned beef and cabbage, potatoes, carrots, hot dogs for everyone else.

Guest: Rhonda was here representing NBHA Dist. 13. Interested in hosting monthly 4-D barrel races. Arnie made a suggestion, "in lieu of \$400 rental fee, NBHA Dist 13 members running will pay MHA membership and MHA will charge certain amount per person. It was suggested to have Marcie come to the dues dinner for more discussion with board at that time.

Calendar: (calendar in your packet) Sorting's will be a draw pot, \$30/per, juniors \$20, can practice at same cost. It was decided: Juniors are defined as 12 years of age and under; Juniors get to pick adult ghost rider; ghost rider cannot make the cuts. Brett will create new rules before first sorting for Board approval. Kathy Amos and Wendy Wedemeyer would like to put on a fundraiser sorting for MHA scholarships and Breast Cancer. The date was set for Sunday, September 12, 2010. Kathy was representing Theresa Canada in requesting reining events at horsemen's. A motion was made by Lisa and seconded by Sally to approve 3 events, and the additional AQHA sanction (\$50 a show) and PCQHA (\$20 a show) to co-sanction.

Cattle Contract: (It was emailed to each board member and it is included in your packet.) Brett decided against renting cattle to horsemen's. It was brought up to have Shane Parsons to provide cattle and provide hay for cattle if need be. The contract between Brett Weaver and MHA was modified to reflect the removal of Brett Weaver with Shane Parsons. The contract changes: \$30 will be charged to each contestant from that \$30 - \$5 will go into a pot for the year end buckle; and the remaining will be split as follows: \$12.50 will go to Shane and \$12.50 will to MHA Sorting. It was concluded sorting's will make about the same with Shane as we did with Dugo. Arnie made a motion to give a copy of new agreement to Shane and have him come to the next meeting to negotiate. Brett seconded the motion.

Seeing no further discussion by the board and its members the meeting was adjourned. Motion made by Sally at 8:41 pm and seconded by Lisa.

Submitted by

Sarah Friesen

Secretary