

Merced Horseman's Association

Board Meeting Minutes

March 11, 2010

President, Kevin Moore, called the regular board meeting of Merced Horseman's Association to order at 6:39 pm. Roll call was taken, members present included Kevin Moore, Sarah Friesen, Maria Skordos-Moore, Lisa Krogh, Arnie Kiil, Brett Weaver, and Bill Banducci. Members absent were, Karen Camp, Kayla Herrera, Dennis Friesen, and Sally Kazensky. Guests in attendance at this meeting were Liz Johnston from Rabobank and Chad Parsons from Diamond Bar Arena.

The minutes of the meeting on February 11, 2010 were accepted by main motion Bill and seconded by Arnie.

President Kevin Moore then welcomed all members and guests to this meeting and heard discussion from the guests. Liz Johnston was in attendance to discuss Merced Horseman's switching their accounts. She brought information and gave a little background on the bank. It was properly moved and seconded, with main motion Bill seconded by Arnie. The switching of banks will take place over time; we will take \$3000 out of savings and write check to Rabobank to start new checking. We will leave scholarship and checking at West America Bank. Start checks numbers at 2000. Once the last check from West America clears we will take the remaining monies out. As of March 11, 2010 all deposits will be made into the Rabobank account.

We then heard discussion from Chad Parsons from Diamond Bar Arena. He brought the liability insurance paperwork and signed the cattle contract for the 2010 season. A copy was given to Chad for his records; Arnie is the contact person for the cattle this year.

The treasurer gave her report. Stating the following balances: Checking: \$3563.48, Savings: \$5348.25, and Scholarship: \$1207.40. The treasurer's report was accepted and filed as read, main motion Bill seconded by Arnie. She also stated that we have the Savemart Shares cards and they will be available to members at the dues dinner.

The caretaker gave his report. After talking with Ray Pombo it was decided that we would need to rent a trencher to put in new pipe. The club has some ½ inch pipe available but we are not sure what kind of condition it is in. It was decided to put in 2-inch pipe, and 1-inch pipe going to the house. Arnie said he would contact Brian at Volvo Rentals to see about trencher rental in lieu of business card advertisement. There was a motion on the floor made by Lisa, to allow the caretaker \$150 for pipe, fittings, and glue, it was seconded by Bill. Arnie also stated to tell the store you are a non-profit to see if they would sell you the materials at cost plus 5%.

Old Business: Again discussion about purchasing materials took place. There was a motion on the floor made by Arnie, to have Dennis make a list of all materials needed and take it to Home Depot and Lowe's

to have them each bid a price for a non profit, it was seconded by Bill. Dues Dinner is scheduled for March 13th at 6:30 pm, menu: corned beef and cabbage, potatoes, carrots, hot dogs for everyone else.

Under New Business: There was discussion of purchasing a headset microphone for the PA system. After a short discussion it was decided that this purchase would not be necessary. See guest discussion from Chad Parsons about cattle contract above.

Chair reports included sorting, gymkhana, kitchen, scholarship, fundraising/advertisements, and memberships. Brett stated he will have a rulebook made up and available at the first sorting which is scheduled March 27th at 6pm. Sarah gave her report stating ribbons had been purchased for \$784. Everything is ready for the first gymkhana on March 27th at 8am. Maria gave her report stating that help is needed ASAP for the kitchen.. There are already some volunteers signed up but more are needed. There is a list available for sign up if interested. The scholarship information is out to the schools. The board needs to decide the amount given to each of the award winners for this year. Rabobank is interested in sponsorships and advertisements. Also there is now website advertising available to those interested. Classified ads will be given for 2 months at no charge. The membership chair stated that the numbers have not changed since last month. Membership cards and Savemart shares cards will be handed out at the dinner. Also the gate code is changed to 0211.

Seeing no further discussion by the board and its members the meeting was adjourned. Motion made by Brett at 8:16 pm and seconded by Bill.

Submitted by

Sarah Friesen

Secretary