

Merced Horseman's Association

Board Meeting Minutes

April 8, 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, Karen Camp, Sally Kazensky, and Bill Banducci. Members absent were, Kayla Herrera, Dennis Friesen, and Brett Weaver. Guest in attendance at this meeting was Jennifer McCulloch from Merced Ranch Supply.

The minutes of the meeting on March 11, 2010 were accepted with the following corrections: Karen Camp was absent, by main motion Bill and seconded by Lisa.

President Kevin Moore then welcomed all members and guests to this meeting; we heard discussion from Jennifer McCulloch from Merced Ranch Supply. She stated that Merced Ranch Supply was hosting a Horse owners' workshop, April 17th from 10 am to 2 pm. Various equine merchandisers and practioners are going to be there. She was hoping to get some sort of paperwork to be made available for the 17th about horsemen's Lisa is in charge of this.

Correspondence to the President included a report from Mid Valley Schooling shows which have been scheduled for April 18th, June 27th, September 19th, and October 31st Halloween play day. Also there was discussion about our insurance policies. Kevin received club insurance for building personal property insurance, covers structures and equipment; the cost is \$2367.00 for the year. It was decided to go through Deans and Homer. It was reported from Maria that we have about \$2800 left at county bank. The money is due April 3rd the check will be written from county bank account. Other insurance is American bankers insurance, which covers liability for club activities, the cost is \$573.00 due now, and Maria will call to let them know we only have 75 members as of this date April 8, 2010. Hopefully this amount will go down. Insurance expires tomorrow must be paid because we have event Saturday April 10th it was mentioned to ask agencies about helmet rules to make the insurance cheaper. It was also stated that in June the directors' liability and mobile home insurance would come due \$1200 for directors and \$124 for mobile home. Bill motion to pay both insurance policies, Karen Camp seconded.

The treasurer gave her report. Stating the following balances: Checking: \$3465.06, Savings: \$5348.25, and Scholarship: \$1207.30. The treasurers report was accepted and filed as read, main motion Bill seconded by Sally. Everyone has been emailed the PDF file of the accountant's information to save paper. Each board member received a copy of Maria's records and bank statements. \$3000 went out of the West America Bank account and into the Rabobank account. Bills have all been paid from the West America account we are

waiting for a few checks to clear. The accountant said the checks waiting to clear are not even valid it was decided to void the two checks. This was approved by main motion Bill, seconded Sally.

The caretaker was absent a submitted report was given. Dennis temporarily patched the arena for the last sorting and gymkhana. He asked for 8 sheets of plywood and has not purchased them. Wanting to know if anything needed to be fixed for the rodeo, the only concern as of right now is the awards dinner afterwards. Maria needs to talk with Lance Harvey about the dinner. Bill stated they wanted the hazing fence put up at the back of the arena and move the squeeze from behind the roping boxes. Also we should oil the chutes and clean them out for the rodeo. Sarah, will get information to the secretary about the jackpot the night before. Maria stated we will charge \$10-\$12 for the dinner, Lance is going to purchase the steaks and we will reimburse him the cost. We estimated to serve about 180 people, the Gavette's and Nance's as well as the 4-H kids will be available to serve and bbq the dinner. Bill came by and fix the water truck for \$6.82.

Old Business: Maria gave the dues dinner report. The food was good the turn out was poor. We served roughly 20-22 members.

Under New Business: Again there was discussion requested from Carol Suggs about purchasing a wireless headset for the clinic as well as hosting a bomb-proofing clinic. Since she was not in attendance, it was decided to have her speak about these ideas at the May meeting. There was discussion about scheduling a workday, it was decided with little work that needed to be done Kevin would work after the gymkhana on Saturday.

Chair reports included sorting, gymkhana, kitchen, scholarship, fundraising/advertisements, and memberships.

Sorting: Brett asked Arnie to run sorting the night before. Arnie got to the grounds and there was no change for him to make change to the competitors. Maria stated there was change in the baggie for him to use. There was a kitchen envelope which had \$115 present \$150 supposed to be in there. Maria stated there was a roping and reining show while she was gone Kathy was in charge of the reining show kitchen and Arnie was in charge of the roping kitchen, after these events the money was off there was no way to make the monies even so she left it that way the envelope has not been changer. It was stated that there is never any change left in the sorting box all of the money is in the safe. There are two envelopes/baggies of change in the safe for the reason of money being out of balance. The white envelope has \$115 worth of 5s, 10s, and 1s in it. The clear baggie has \$105 change in there for the drawer to start your events for the kitchen. There will be a sheet made to keep track of change being made, this was approved by Sally main motion and seconded by Lisa. Arnie stated 15 people showed up money made for the evening was \$460 the juniors division was started as 18 and under.

Gymkhana: Sarah gave her report stating the first gymkhana went well we had a lot of donations for the homeless shelter including food, clothing, and money totaling to a \$75 donation. The light needs to be replaced before the jackpots the purchase of a new light was approved by main motion Lisa seconded by Arnie. The

next gymkhana is scheduled for the end of April weather permitting. **Kitchen:** none. **Scholarship:** the deadline is May 15th decisions will be made after. **Fundraising/ Advertisements:** It was stated that Volvo will donate the trencher costs of \$280 in lieu of putting their business card in the newsletter and on the website. The submersible pump would have to be sold at cost. Also, Rabobank said she wanted to put a sign in the arena but has not been contacted to follow up on this. It was also discussed to have them be a buckle sponsor for the gymkhana. Advertisement costs were discussed, an ad in the newsletter is \$20 a month or \$100 for the year. Classifieds are free to members and can be run consecutively for two months. Arena signs are \$150 a year and they have to purchase their own signs. **Membership:** none

Seeing no further discussion by the board and its members the meeting was adjourned. Motion made by Bill at 8:05 pm and seconded by Lisa.

Submitted by

Sarah Friesen

Secretary