



Board of Directors

August 20, 2024 Meeting Minutes

In Attendance:

Savannah McGuire - President	Jarod Wright - Vice President	Adrienne Potwora – Past President
Abbey Davis – Treasurer	Dawn Jones - At Large Member	Heather Pomada-Correa – Director
Mariya Stimson - Secretary	Bruce Blodgett - Director	Andrea Boicoff - Director

Absent Excused:

Meghan Blyth - Youth Advisor		
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Absent Unexcused:

Sarah Rashien - Director	Nora Cook - Director	
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Savannah McGuire called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM

Roll Call

Youth Division Report - Meghan Blyth

- Abbey provided an update on the Youth World Show. There were five participants from OQHA. Andrea offered to post pictures on the OQHA website from the show.
- Savannah mentioned there are a few additional youth kids that want to get involved.

Administrative Reminders

- No updates.

Previous Meeting Minutes

- Mariya presented the July Meeting Minutes to the Board. There were no questions or edits.

VOTING

- A motion was made by Andrea Boicoff to approve the July meeting minutes as presented.
 - Second: Adianne Potwora
 - Voting: MOTION CARRIES - all in favor, no opposition

Executive Committee Update - Savannah McGuire

- No updates.

Financial Update - Abbey Davis

- Abbey presented the July financials. There was a question and brief discussion about outstanding fees on the new summary document. Abbey will follow up with additional detail.

VOTING

- A motion was made by Bruce Blodgett to approve the July 2024 financials as presented.
 - Second: Andrea Boicoff
 - Voting: MOTION CARRIES - all in favor, no opposition

Standing Committee Reports

- **Awards / Year-end Awards - Adrienne Potwora**
 - The committee will wait until year-end awards have been determined to place any orders, but will reach out to Keri regarding awards for the September show.
- **Marketing & Communications / Social Media – Andrea Boicoff**
 - Buckle Drive - Andrea suggested extending the drive through the fall show with participants being entered into a drawing for \$100 off their September show bill. The group agreed.
 - Andrea has posted about voting for OQHA Board positions and the Fall show on social media.
 - The old OQHA website is almost updated.
 - Savannah is still working on the BoD graphic and the sponsorship page. We need a new intro and content for the Sponsorship page but it is ready for review.
 - Andrea will post on Facebook once it is updated and live.
- **Membership - Andrea Boicoff**
 - Membership Drive: Andrea suggested extending the membership drive through the Fall show and will follow up with Keri about recent memberships.
- **Nominations / By-laws - Dawn Jones**
 - There are currently 6 open spots on the BoD to fill.
 - Timeline for Election Cycle:
 - An email was sent to current membership **July 13** and social media post **July 14**.
 - Nominations were due by **July 30** (Social Media Posts to be taken down). This was extended to **August 11**. We received 5 applications.
 - An email was sent to the Members with directions and a link to vote starting **August 15** and ending **August 25 at 5:00pm**.
 - The Nomination Committee will schedule a call for the new Board members to make introductions and provide a high-level overview of the Board, Committees, meeting structure, etc., and time for Q&A. Dawn suggested assigning a mentor to each new Board member.
 - New Directors will attend the **September 17** Board of Director meeting.
- **Scholarship Committee Development**
 - No update.
- **Show Committee - Savannah McGuire**
 - The Committee discussed show dates for 2025 on the August 12 call: January, February, April and September (this will be the Classic show). Keri and Savannah are confirming dates with facilities and will follow-up with the BoD for voting.
 - There is interest in reviewing the anticipated cost associated with splitting the 2025 Classic at two different locations before finalizing.
- **Sponsorship Committee Update - Heather Pomada-Correa**

- There was a Sponsorship Committee meeting. The group created a Google document to start tracking who they reach out to.
- Trail Gate Sponsorship Auction - Hold again for 2025 sponsor. Andrea will post on Facebook in September (same dates as last year).

2024 Sponsorship Goals

Type	Goal	Actual to Date
Banner (\$300)	30	9
Buckle (\$100)	100	4
Foundation	NA	2
Misc.	NA	\$25
Corp.	Markel Insurance Toyota Del Oeste Vet Ditch Witch- Pape Machinery	\$1000 (received) \$5000 (invoice submitted) \$500 \$2500 (received)
Other		

- **Working Ranch Horse - Bruce Blodgett**
 - No updates.

Old Business

- "This or That" raffle for a gift certificate for a Harris or Bob's saddle. The BoD needs to vote on the timeline and details.
 - Bruce connected with Bob's Custom Saddles and has a quote for three different types of saddles. They are giving us associate pricing (will confirm how long the pricing is valid) and how long the winner has to order the saddle.
 - Roughout/no tooling: \$4,115, Half basket stamped: \$4,301, Full basket stamped: \$4,332
 - Bruce will reach out to Jeff Smith Saddles as well.
- Raffle tickets to be sold between Fall Show and end of the year or through the Year-End Awards Event in February.
 - Need to determine price for each ticket and how best to share outside of Oregon.
- We do have one Harris work headstall left over from previous year-end awards that we can use for this.

New Business

- **Gift Basket Silent Auction:** The group discussed and agreed to hold a gift basket silent auction at the Fall show (BoD members to donate a basket). The barn/person who supplies the highest selling basket receives a free stall. Andrea will look into options to possibly hold the auction online as well.
- **Costume Contest/Race at Show:** The group also decided to hold a costume contest and possibly an "Egg and Spoon" and/or a different type of competition/race.
- **OQHA Shirts:** Adrienne shared an idea to purchase OQHA shirts for the Board to wear at events and sell to members. She provided a few examples via email. Heather has a contact that may be able to help with a design. Abbey mentioned there is a web-site that will sell shirts and provide part of the profit back to OQHA.

Adjourn Time: 8:26 pm

- A motion was made by Bruce Blodgett to end the meeting.
 - Second: Andrea Boicoff

- Voting: MOTION CARRIES - all in favor, no opposition