

MORGAN HORSE CLUB OF WASHINGTON STATE. INC.

MINUTES

February 11, 2025 – Zoom meeting, 7:07 p.m.

Board Members Present: Officers - President Nicole Barbour; Vice President Katie Hoover; Treasurer Marla Miller; and Secretary Leigh Wilson., Directors - Kristiana Wright, Sandra Nichols and Denise Lester.

Board Members Not Present: Past President Jennifer Unick, Director Theresa Simms

Guests/Committee Members: No Guests present.

Minutes: Leigh –

- The minutes from January 14, 2025 were approved by Denise, Marla, Katie, Sandra, and Nicole.
- Board Members and Guests present at this meeting are read into the minutes.
- This meeting was recorded for the benefit of accuracy and will not be published.

Tree Farm: Katie

- A discussion was held regarding the Hold Harmless form for our Tree Farm Members vs our Regular Cub Members. A motion was made by Leigh that the liability form will only be required for those wanting to use the Tree Farm; both for regular club members and Tree Farm only members. Those Club members who are Not using the Tree Farm will not need to complete the liability form. The motion was 2nd by Marla. The motion passed unanimously.
- Stickers for the tree farm are ready to be picked up.
- Katie will put together a packet to be mailed out to all Tree Farm members.

Awards committee: Katie & Chris

- Still waiting on ribbons from Mary Ann and those ribbons will be sent out as soon as they arrive.
- A discussion was held regarding the condition of our plaques and how to protect them. A decision was made to purchase some plastic bubble wrap insulated holders at an approximate cost of \$30 for a quantity of 40 through Amazon.

Treasurer Report: Marla

Current Paid Members can request a copy of the full report with financials by sending an email to secretaryofmhews@gmail.com

Our Income and Expenses for 2024 were reviewed by classes: Auction, Banquet, Calendar, Club, Hi Point Awards Sponsor, Membership, Roster, and Tree Farm.

INCOME DISCUSSION:

- **Tree Farm:** A decision was made to track the Tree Farm income as a sub-category.
- **Annual Banquet:** More research will be done on reducing our costs for the Annual Banquet.
- **Hi Point Awards Sponsors:** A discussion was held regarding Hi Point Awards sponsors and bringing that category back and raising \$1500 which is 30 plaques at \$50 each.
- **C-Fair & Key:** The Club runs the shows and in the past the shows have paid the Club but not for several years. The Board will have this discussion again after the shows this year to see if there is any profit to share.

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EXPENSE DISCUSSION:

- Website Upgrade: A discussion was held regarding upgrading the website and creating a secure “Members Only” section with an online directory and membership. Also, a discussion was held regarding the option to have a Google Drive Google Workspace and creating specific email address for certain positions who need that. The expected costs were reviewed. A motion was made by Sandra to spend the money to upgrade the Website and to move to a new monthly cycle. The motion was seconded by Katie. The motion passed unanimously.

Marla will send out the proposed budget before our next meeting for our board to review in preparation for approving the budget in March 2025.

Horse Show Reports: Marla

- **Key:** Schedule is done and ready.

Sunshine: Jennifer

- Condolences to Chris Laine on the loss of Hylee’s Contender.
- Condolences to Tammy Mucklestone on the loss of Ms. Dinha Might.

Website: Leigh

- Website Membership forms – liability form will be removed
- Calendar of Events has been updated to the website
- Denise Lester: Molley’s Silver Buckles – If we put their logo on our website we can get 2 buckles.

Clinics: Leigh

- Jean Chaney Trail Clinic – The clinic is almost full! Huge interest by auditors so we expect a lot of people to be present. Will need volunteers to help with registration and food. Denise and Katie volunteered to help. I would like to see as many board members as possible at the clinic.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

- Denise - PNW - The Club can cut a check for sponsorship. We will vote at the March meeting on what we want to do as a Club and Denise will send us the sponsor package.
- Denise - Please share and comment on all of Denise’s social media to help boost those posts.
- Marla – The Club was awarded Reserve Champion, Competition of the Year from AMHA. The award can be picked up from the AMHA convention. They will send us a check for \$100.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:42 p.m.