



**KHJA Board of Directors Meeting
August 17, 2015
Ballyhigh Show Stable 7 p.m.**

The regular meeting of the Kentucky Hunter Jumper Association was held at Ballyhigh Show Stable, Versailles Ky., on August 17, 2015. The meeting called to order at 7:17 p.m. by Joyce Brinsfield, president.

Guest speaker Cara Stewart of Kentucky Equine Education Project (KEEP) spoke about the lobbying and educational opportunities offered through KEEP. KEEP started a 501c3 foundation to raise funds they can then pay forward to grassroots organizations. The KEEP license plate features Seattle Slew and can be used in vehicles up to 10,000 pounds; they need 900 reservations (\$25/each) to go forward with printing. KEEP supports KHJA and is willing to do again; KEEP has given out \$650,000 in the last 10 years in grassroots funding. You can register for the plate online.

Last month KEEP approved a tax equity resolution; they want the horses to be similar to all other livestock. It is believed that this measure will impact the equine economy even more by removing the sales tax; more money to invest back into the industry.

Minutes were provided by Sarah Coleman, secretary/treasurer, and were read by attendees. Bruce Brown made a motion to approve the June 10, 2015 minutes. Ashley Watts seconded. All were in favor and the minutes were approved as read.

In attendance: David Warner, Sara Spry, Joyce Brinsfield, Elaine Schott, Mark Llewellyn, Bruce Brown, Ashley Watts

Absent: Laura D'Angelo, Maria Kneipp, Katrina Fanning, Keedle Ritter-Konopka, Diana Conlon, Melissa Murphy, Trena Kerr, Matt McHugh, Caroline Smith, Nancy George, Maria Kneipp, Elaine Hoffmann and Katy Ross

The Treasurer's report was given by Sarah Coleman.

Horse Show Checking: \$65,283.65

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Savings: \$161,130.81

Scholarship Fund: \$2,785.60

Stocks: \$145,851.11

Total available to KHJA: \$328,466.92

Sarah Coleman will move money into checking in the amount spent during the 2014 KHJA Fall Classic to ensure that there is enough money to clear all the checks that will be written for the 2015 KHJA Fall Classic Horse Show on Sept. 11-13.

Bruce Brown motioned to approve the treasurer's report, Ashley Watts seconded and the report was approved as read.

Committee reports were given.

Ashley Watts presented the Banquet Committee report. Elaine Schott stepped on to the Banquet Committee. Ashley has begun investigating award options.

Nominating committees were discussed.

Joyce Brinsfield presented for Diana Conlon on the Scholarship Committee. The award winner was chosen and will be awarded before the horse first goes into the ring at the 2014 KHJA Horse Show at the Kentucky Horse Park. Joyce Brinsfield and Diana Conlon will present the check to the winner. Photographs will be taken for the newsletter.

Joyce Brinsfield presented the Financial Committee report for Caroline Smith. Ray Current, the KHJA accountant is working on the audit.

Joyce Brinsfield reported on the Fall Classic Committee. Ribbon count has been completed. The prize list has been posted on the KHJA website. Coolers have been ordered. Farmhouse Tack has donated a gift certificate for every class; Ray Shultz and Jess Vacey was discusses as a show photographer.

Joyce Brinsfield and Ashley Watts presented on the Junior Committee. The Dog Show at the Robert Murphy July Show was a hit; it will become an annual event. A tour of KBC and Hallway are in the works for the late fall and winter. The Dirty Pony Contest was a success and well received. The conformation clinic given at Elaine Schott's River Mountain Farm was well received, though not well attended.

Joyce Brinsfield presented on the Bylaws Committee for Laura D'Angelo. No report.

Joyce Brinsfield reported on the Charity Committee for Nancy George. A run-in shed will be built for the Kentucky Equine Humane Center.

Ashley Watts reported on the Newsletter Committee. Content and photo deadline will be Sept. 15. The winner of the scholarship will be on the cover.

Mark Llewellyn reported on the points. Some points came in slow and some people are waiting to see if they have qualified for Medal Finals, to be held the Sunday of the 2015 KHJA Fall Classic.

There was no Old Business.

New Business was discussed.

The KHJA Horse Show will offer a table for the KHJA Board of Directors members during the 2015 Grand Prix.

Bruce Brown motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 p.m.; Elaine Schott seconded and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Coleman
Secretary/Treasurer