



**KHJA Board of Directors Meeting
January 16, 2015 6 p.m.
Kentucky Horse Park**

The regular meeting of the Kentucky Hunter Jumper Association was held at the Kentucky Horse Park, Lexington, Ky., on January 16, 2015. The meeting called to order at 6.03 p.m. by Joyce Brinsfield, president.

Minutes were presented by Sarah Coleman, secretary/treasurer, and were read by attendees. Elaine Schott made a motion to approve the December 1, 2014 minutes. Katy Ross seconds. Minutes were approved as read.

In attendance: Joyce Brinsfield, Bruce Brown, Sarah Coleman, Diana Conlon, Nancy George, Trena Kerr, Maria Kneipp, Katy Ross, Elaine Schott, Dave Warner, and Ashley Watts. Absent: Laura D'Angelo, Katrina Fanning, Tara Gnau, Elaine Hoffmann, Keedle Ritter-Konopka, Mark Llewellyn, Matt McHugh, Melissa Murphy, Caroline Smith, and Sarah Spry.

The treasurer's report was given by Sarah Coleman.

\$14,167.20	PayPal
\$169,201.20	KHJA checking account
\$2,785.44	KHJA Scholarship Fund (savings account)
\$32,039.07	KHJA savings account
\$24,661.63	Horse show checking account

Total: \$242,854.54

\$142,489.48	Stocks, now with PNC
\$385,344.02	Total available to KHJA

Trena Kerr made a motion to move money into savings to keep \$35,000 in checking. Katy Ross seconded and it passed. Diana Conlon motioned to approve treasurer's report. Bruce Brown seconded and it was approved.

Committee reports were given.

Joyce Brinsfield reported on the Banquet Committee in place of chairman Tara Gnau. She gave a recap of the 2014 awards banquet. She recognized the work that Tara Gnau and the Banquet Committee did on the banquet.

Diana Conlon, chairman, reported on the Scholarship Committee. Raising the amount of scholarship money offered and clarifying the volunteer hour requirement were discussed. It was brought to the Board's attention that the scholarship application needs to be revised. The term "need-based" should be clarified. There was also a discussion of opening the scholarship to part-time students. The Scholarship Committee is to meet and discuss these issues prior to the February Board meeting and give a report. The 2014 silent auction raised almost the entire \$2,500 scholarship that is offered; Maria Kneipp made a motion that KHJA match the funds raised. Trena Kerr seconded. All were in favor. It was approved and passed.

The Rules Committee report was given by Diana Conlon. She reported that the Beginner Rider rules for 2016 need to clarify that it is for "riders in their first or second year of showing" and that it should be for "riders in their first or second year jumping; they should not have jumped fences 2' or higher at any competition, in any discipline." This change request will be sent to the Rules Committee to review and rewrite for inclusion in the 2016 KHJA Rule Book.

Joyce Brinsfield gave the Financial Committee report for chairman Caroline Smith. Caroline is working on the financials and has contacted Hugh Kincannon.

The Clinic and Horse Show Committee report was given by Trena Kerr. She reported that 40 auditors registered for Friday and 100 registered for Saturday. A discussion took place of hosting the banquet on the same weekend every year; concern is always the OHJA banquet. A suggestion box will be placed at the entry table to encourage members to let BOD know what they are interested in learning about or seeing at future clinics. Maria Kneipp offered the possibility of finding a sponsor for the clinic, which would bring more PR to the event.

Joyce Brinsfield reported on the Personnel Committee. She reported that Sarah Coleman is to have a signed contract for her work. Sarah is to provide hours and committee to investigate a potential raise. Elaine Schott motioned for Sarah Coleman to receive a raise; Bruce Brown seconded and it was approved.

Dave Warner reported on the Fall Classic Committee. He handed out sponsorship opportunity sheets. Joyce Brinsfield will schedule a meeting with JP Bordelau, Fall Classic show manager. The KHJA Fall Classic will use the Murphy, Stonelea and Claiborne rings. There was discussion of when Medal Finals will be held, possibly Sunday morning in the Claiborne. There was a suggestion of running a Calcutta to benefit the scholarship fund.

Ashley Watts reported on the Junior Committee, and mentioned that T-shirts will be sold at the show and not the clinic. Proceeds will benefit Masterpiece Equestrian Trust.

No Charity Committee report was given.

Other Business was discussed.

Joyce Brinsfield said the webmaster, Linda Seay, is going well. Mark Llewellyn will send a KHJA mass email asking for photos from the banquet to post on social media.

Sarah Coleman mentioned the possibility of KHJA becoming an American Horse Publication member for possible awards for the KHJA newsletter. Maria Kneipp motions to have KHJA become an AHP member; Bruce Brown seconds.

There was no New Business

Maria Kneipp motioned to adjourn the meeting. Bruce Brown seconded and all were in favor. It was passed and meeting was adjourned by Joyce Brinsfield at 6.45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Coleman
Secretary/Treasurer