

Board of Directors Meeting  
November 10, 2011  
7:00 pm Conference Call

Attending Officers and Board Members: Lori Conway, Annie Slawik, Carol Carlson, Jill Frieders, Ann Benson, Anita Grant, Miriam McGurran, Lisa A. Lewis, Rebecca Bell, John Diedrich, Sarah Paripovich, Toni Marie O'Daniel, Teresa LeFever, Pat Swenson

Members and Guests: Janet de Acevedo Macdonald

Excused Absence:

President Lori Conway called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

### **President's Report**

Lori Conway shared the following information:

#### **Region 10 News**

MAHA is now the largest club in Region 10.

The 2011 Region 10 Show made \$34,501.12 profit.

MAHA judging team in Tulsa came in reserve champions.

Joan Rose is the go-to person for all Region 10 youth events as its Coordinator.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Jill Frieders had no formal report, only to assure the Board "We're fine and we haven't lost any money."

#### **Fall Classic**

The 2011 MAHA Fall Classic made \$36,033.

#### **Arabians Unplugged**

Anita Grant and Lisa A. Lewis reported that the November 5 Awards Luncheon for Arabians Unplugged was a huge success as its attendee numbers doubled in size.

#### **Spring Fling**

Toni Marie O'Daniel is working with Teresa LeFever on the 2012 Spring Fling, March 23-25. Ann Benson will do the show's insurance.

#### **US National Convention**

Upcoming US National Convention Reimbursement for MAHA Delegates  
MAHA has increased its number of delegates from five to six. After some discussion noting that costs in Canada are high, Anita Grant motion MAHA up its reimbursement amount to its delegates from \$850 to \$950. This was seconded by Sarah Paripovich.

Motion approved. It was also noted that no reimbursement is granted until the delegate turns an expenses requests and has submitted a written US National Convention report to MAHA for publication.

### **MN Horse Expo**

Anita Grant has agreed to once again organize the MN Horse Expo for MAHA, but wants someone within the membership to step up to learn what's needed as 2012 will be her last year in this volunteer leadership position. Annie Slawik, Lisa A. Lewis, Kristen McDaniel will help. Fourteen MAHA horses attended in 2011. There are enough stall drapes for six horses. A decision needs to be made about the number of MAHA horses that should participate each year and buy enough drapes to showcase that number (if the number exceeds six). In 2011, MAHA had only eight minutes in the coliseum and that is not enough time. MAHA Horse Expo application will be sent in by Anita Grant after she returns from attending the convention in Vancouver. The Horse Expo will be discussed at length at the January Board Meeting.

### **Year-end Awards Banquet & Clinic**

Lori Conway said to keep the dates Saturday, January 28 and February 4 open for the banquet and clinic to be held at Cedar Ridge Arabians. Members are interested in having a Western clinic. Lori Conway will contact Gordon Potts and Rob Bick & Caralyn Schroter to see if either is available during those slots.

### **Upcoming Election**

All officers (Lori Conway, Annie Slawik, Carol Carlson, Jill Frieders) and Board Members positions held by Ann Benson, Anita Grant, Toni Marie O'Daniel, Lisa A. Lewis and Miriam McGurran are up for election. Ann Benson, Carol Carlson and Anita Grant have decided not to run again.

Simply Voting ([www.simplyvoting.com](http://www.simplyvoting.com)) and Association Voting ([www.associationvoting.com](http://www.associationvoting.com)) have been contacted as possible vendors for MAHA to provide its adult members secure electronic voting. The cost with Simply Voting is \$300, Association Voting \$249. Voting will be open to current adult members. It should be open for 7-10 days with results being compiled well before the January awards luncheon. Paper ballots will be mailed to members without email addresses and there will be an additional cost to provide for these members. Jill Frieders motioned that MAHA use electronic voting. Toni Marie O'Daniel seconded that motion. Motion approved. Either Roberta Lembke or Janet Macdonald will act as MAHA's contact person with whichever electronic voting vendor is finally chosen.

Miriam McGurran motioned to adjourn the meeting. Ann Benson seconded the motion. Motion approved and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Janet de Acevedo Macdonald