

**MISSISSIPPI QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
 MINUTES  
 September 8, 2020

P = Present      CI = Call-In      EX = Excused Absence      A= Absent

CI	Brooks Derryberry, Pres.	CI	Suzy McBeath (NE)		
EX	Sandy McBeath, 1st VP	A	Vicki Kinsey (SW)	CI	Tom McBeath, AQHA Dir
CI	Herman Alford, 2 <sup>nd</sup> VP	EX	Cathy Cook (SW)	A	Clark Scoggin, AQHA Dir
EX	Cindy Johnson (NW)	CI	Kim Brake (SE)	CI	MB Woodruff, AQHA Dir
CI	Brooke Ware (NW)	CI	Bobby Harrison (SE)	CI	Aprille Watts, Past President
CI	Christy Carwile (NW)	CI	Laura Miller (SE)		Gay McCann

**Call to Order** - The meeting was called to order by President Derryberry at 7:37 pm. Called to order at 737pm

Mr. Herman Alford lead us in prayer.

No visitors were present.

**Minutes-** With no changes or corrections noted to the minutes from the August 11, 2020 meeting, Mary Bess Woodruff made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Tom McBeath seconded the motion and the motion carried.

**Amateur** – Christy Carwile reported that the Amateurs are finalizing Autumn Fest & Holiday Classic details. It was also reported that the Amateurs will be having a wreath fundraiser again this year and a sample wreath will be available for viewing at the Autumn Fest show.

**Dixie Nationals-** Tom McBeath reported that the committee is hard at work on premium books. Majority of the major sponsors are back in. It has been difficult with Covid restrictions to have a face to face meeting, but we have discussed via email and phone conversations. Commitments have been received from major sponsors- Class sponsors are coming in, it's a good opportunity to promote their business. Tom also asked for anyone to step up and volunteer for a part of it. Breaking the Dixie into sections will allow for everyone to have a share, and no one on the committee will be overburdened. State Championship 4H Horse Bowl will be going on Saturday. Molly Nicademus, MS State wrote a class that makes working at Dixie a major part of their grade.

**Finance-**Tom McBeath reported that there has not been a lot of activity. Hoping in a couple of weeks with show, we should have some activity . We need a good show in September to make up for not having the June show.

**Rules** – No Report

**Scholarship-**Laura Miller reported that notices have been going out on the various scholarships available.

**Show approval** – Tom McBeath advised that we should not have anything further from this committee until the first show of the year, the Amateur Show in December, that show approval required 90 days out. Tom asked Christy Carwile if the Holiday Classic has been applied for yet, and she related she did not think so.

**Youth** Suzy McBeath reported that the youth are in the process putting letters together to encourage them to step up for participation in leadership positions for next year.

**Awards & Convention-** Brooks Derryberry reported that no rental agreement yet but the Convention date is January 30 at Farmers Market by Fairgrounds.

**Hall of Fame** – Tom McBeath indicated there is no report, will have full report at next meeting.

**Exhibitor Representative** – No report

**Judges** – Bobby Harrison reported that 3 of 4 copies of contracts have been returned for September Show. Christy Carwile reported that Clark Scoggins is hiring judges for Autumn Fest & Holiday Classic.

**Communication-** Laura Miller reported that she will defer to Suzy McBeath for membership numbers. Notices have been going out about the Fall Classic, Autumn Fest & starting Dixie National all on Facebook. A volunteer sign up list was also sent out for Fall Classic positions. Email was sent out to all exhibitors we had email addresses for from 2017, 2018, 2019 & 2020 Dixie Nationals for the dates for 2021 show.

**Nominating Committee** - Aprille Watts indicated no report thus far, that she and Tom McBeath would be willing to serve as past presidents.

**Show Committee** September show Fall Classic, Wesley Allen show manager.

**Old Business** – none

**New Business** – Deadline is approaching for nominations for AQHA Professional Horseman of the Year. Bobby Harrison nominated Tom McBeath. Aprille Watts seconded. Motion carried. Bobby to get form from Suzy McBeath with the deadline fast approaching of September 15.

Tom McBeath questioned how to get more people involved, not only on the Board of Directors, but at the shows and in everything we do. You do not have to be on the Board of Directors to serve on a committee. Tom McBeath also asked for suggestions of items to be adopted. It was also noted that we don't just want complaints but people to step up and try to resolve issues. It was also mentioned that some ideas may not be feasible, so don't get your feelings hurt if a plan cannot be implemented.

With no further business, Bobby Harrison made a motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Mary Bess Woodruff. Motion carried.

Mr Herman Alford lead us in prayer.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:21pm

Respectfully submitted,

*Laura Miller*

Laura Miller, Communications