**MPHA Board Meeting Minutes**

**Jan. 26th, 2021**

**Facebook “groups” virtual meeting**

(7:00 pm (EST) call to order)

Meeting called to order - 7:00 p.m.

MPHA Board Members present: Robin Little-Basil, Taylor Chism, Rebekkah Layne, Cora Brewington, Sandy Ratliff, Megan Cantrell, and Becky Beal. Oversight Board Members Present: Victoria Tollman and Cydney Blakeslee

Members Present: Lacy Burton, Debbie Glover Dennis, April Whitson

1. 2020 Trail Rider Miles – Taylor
   * Reported trail miles and winners over the 2020 year. Discussed the winners and what prizes they will be getting.
2. 2020 KBIF AOC final placements – congrats to all winners!! Huge THANK YOU to KEEP for the grant for this years awards..you guys ROCK!! We will schedule a meeting to hand out ribbons/awards as soon as the “in person” ban is lifted!
   * Reported what places for the youth, novice, and advanced categories. Discussed being able to get KEEP grant which let us be able to purchase trophies for the winners for the categories.
3. 2021 “goals” for MPH/OKS: I’d STILL like to have a professionally produced video for the website, College students to produce, maybe? If school ever comes back in session? Unless anyone knows someone who does videos cheap/free?? Other ideas?? Another group is doing # of rides instead of miles? Ex. 100 rides in 2021. This something we might want to offer for fun? Or versatility awards for what you do with your OKS?
   * Discussed different options about having a professional video produced at some of the universities. Spoke about some of the past videos that had been made in the past and trying to gain access to them to use for future videos.
   * Discussed ways to engage more people through multimedia either Facebook page, website, or a yearly magazine.
   * Tracking rides throughout the year program and prizes for certain amount of rides.
   * Discussed ways to increase information on available breeding stallions.
   * Versatility award program with vote at the end of the year
4. Equitana 2021 Sept. 30th – Oct. 3rd (already signed up, booth deposit from 2020)
   * Spoke about whether Equitana will take place or not. Haven’t heard news yet whether they will cancel due to Covid-19.
5. Would like more AOC events. Ideas? Places? Judges?

* On hold until 2021 program is announced from KHRC/KBIF

1. Data entry help still needed to update database/website ..volunteers??
   * Needing volunteers if anyone would like to help with the database entries.
2. We now have a new database program – BreedMates..haven’t had time to really check it out well, but excited to see what it can do!!
3. Rebranding/name change/adjustment for MP to include our “roots” as the original, Old Kentucky Saddler going well – need to update brochures, banners, etc.
   * Discussed holding off on changing name/new brochures/banners until after Covid restrictions are lifted.
4. Registration papers now include Old KY Saddler – Becky Beal
5. MPHA has **applied** to be included in KBIF for 2021. Waiting to be “approved” by the KHRC at Feb meeting, I’ll keep everyone informed
   * Spoke about applying for KBIF for the upcoming year.

1. Upcoming Events: April 3rd – Grand Opening of Equitherapy Center, 5/7th-9th – Green River Stables campout, 5/21-23rd Hang ‘Em High campout

Moved to adjourn: Rebekkah Second: Taylor Time: 7:56 p.m.

(adjourn – next board meeting 4/13/21 7:00pm – Virtual TBA)