

Minutes of the Montana Cutting Horse Association (MCHA)

Board of Directors' Meeting

March 5th, 2025 Via Zoom
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President Doug Pearce called the meeting to order at 7:02pm

Directors Present: President Doug Pearce, Vice President Ashley Lee, Jann Parker, Mike Hoffman, Michelle Van Dyke, Cody Lee, John Delmonte and Cindy Fraser

Directors Excused: Kelly Fraser

Others Present: Secretary/Treasurer Valee Miller & Andi James

OLD OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

President Doug Pearce welcomed everyone to the meeting, Secretary Valee Miller called for the Roll Call.

President Doug Pearce asked for approval for the 3.5.25 Directors Meeting Minutes

John Delmonte made a motion to approve the 3.5.25 Directors Meeting Minutes, seconded by Jann Parker, Motion Passed.

Show Updates

- **Big Piney**
 - Andi James joined the BOD Meeting to give updates and plans for the 2025 Big Piney Show.
 - She has been in contact with Gord, owner of Chinook Stalls, and discussed the damaged stalls from 2024. Gord assured her that the MCHA is in good standing and he is planning on bringing stalls for the 2025 event.
 - Michelle Van Dyke brought up her concern of the California show going on at the same time as Big Piney again. Andi James is going to keep checking on other show schedules to see what conflicts there are.
 - There was board discussion on adding another day of Weekend shows to the Big Piney Schedule to make the trip worth it for those who only show in Weekend Events. The discussion led to making the show one day longer possibly, to keep the days not so long, but there was also discussion of adding one more day would make the show too long for those who are there for both the aged events and weekend shows.
 - If we went with the schedule from last year there would be 2 weekend shows over 3 days, & then 3 days of aged events after starting August 7th-10th with Weekend & Aged events 11th-13th. Sunday usually has a 3 year old event priority and they try to end earlier on Saturday to accommodate the dinner.
 - President Doug Pearce brought up discussion for Big Piney as a MCHA approved show.

- Michelle Van Dyke made a motion to have Big Piney approved as an MCHA show, Ashley Lee to second, motion passed.
- **Deer Lodge**
 - Doug Peace let us know everything was looking good for the Deer Lodge show. It looks like we will be getting some different sand this year.
 - Arrangements of the Judge has been made for the first Cattle King show.

NCHA Days

- NCHA Days will be in Riverton, Wyoming. President Doug Pearce asked the board to re approve the show since it was moved from Sheridan to Riverton.
- Mike Hoffman made a motion to approve NCHA days show in Riverton, Wyoming, Seconded by John Delmonte. Motion Passed.

Banking Update

- Valee Miller asked for approval to close the Wells Fargo account

Insurance

- There was board discussion for getting insurance for the MCHA not just the liability insurance that is obtained from the NCHA.
- John Delmonte stated the board needs to read all contracts made with the MCHA.
- Valee Miller is going to reach out to her contacts to try and get options and prices.

NEW BUSINESS:

Other

Michelle Van Dyke made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m., John Delmonte Seconded the Motion. Meeting was adjourned by President Doug Pearce.