

*Penn-Ohio Morgan Horse Association*  
*Meeting Minutes of January 8, 2011*  
*Perkins Restaurant in Meadville, PA*

Al called the meeting to order.

Members present: Tina Babnis, Tiffany Foust, Mike and Curly Schell, Diane Simkins, Mimi and Gary Horne, Carolyn Warman and Andy Shupe.

Treasurer's report: Curly reports the balance as of December 1, 2010 was \$8,044.82. The total expenses were \$3.00 for the checking account fee. The balance as of December 31, 2010 was \$8,041.82. Diane made a motion to approve the treasurer's report as read, Tina seconded the motion and the motion carried. Tina made a motion to pay any outstanding bills, Diane seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Tina made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting as read, Diane seconded the motion and the minutes were approved as read.

Old Business: none at this time.

New Business: Mimi makes motion to pay \$75 to the state so that our club will retain exclusive rights to our name. Carolyn seconded the motion and the motion carried. Tiffany made a motion to put an equine rescue link on our website, Diane seconded the motion and the motion carried. Lee wanted to remind everyone to be thinking of someone to run for president and we need a board member as well. Al offered to run again for president if no one else does. Carolyn agreed to be a board member again if absolutely necessary but she has other commitments that are making it difficult for her to make the meetings.

Horse show: Carolyn reports that she has lost her flower supplier. A discussion ensued about whether we want to continue to decorate with the mulch and flowers since the photographer doesn't use it for his photo backdrop. It is very time consuming and we did not pay for the flowers previously. They were on loan and we gave them back. It could be very costly if we had to but the same about.

A discussion about show officials ensued and the bottom line of all board members is making sure we can financially continue to have a show. Nothing personal to any past officials but all board members feel we need to get qualified personnel at the cheapest possible price.

Mimi contacted the Shriners hospital to see about the show supporting their charity. Mimi made a motion for Andy to contact the Erie Shriners as the charity for the Penn Ohio show to support to see if they agree to split the net profits 50/50. Carolyn seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The carriage division for the show was brought up. It was suggested that we could change the carriage obstacle course between each class. Al and Andy will work on getting the hardware needed as well as what needs to be done for recognition by the ADS.

Mimi will check with her school to see if she could print our prize list there and what it would cost. The printer at the school will fold and staple. Otherwise Andy can print them up for cost which would be approximately \$200 and we will have a meeting to put them together.

It was decided that Tina and Tiffany are co-chairman for the show committee. Tina reminds everyone that she needs help with ribbons at the show. Andy suggests giving presentation pictures as our championship awards.

He will talk to Terry Young to see about a price. Linda will send Tina an itemized list of the trophies that she has for donation.

Andy brought up the option that we could order a smaller dumpster to save some money since it was only about half used last year. He also mentioned that we give \$500 to the fire department to empty trash cans. He was going to work on cutting costs there. Andy also mentioned that he can get horse recognized insurance through American Bankers Plamp-Keen agency in Louisville, KY. It's a \$1.2 million, year round insure plan that includes liquor liability for about \$460 a year. The club can add functions at \$25 per function at least a month in advance. Mike made a motion to pay for the insurance before the banquet, Tina seconded the motion and the motion carried. Andy also reports that he has signed contracts from him the show manager, the judge John Bennett from Putnum, CT, Candy Fraley the show steward and paddock master Carl Gatts.

Winter holiday: Carolyn has sold half of tables if anyone wants one please contact her.

Mike made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Carolyn seconded the motion and the motion carried. The next meeting will be at the banquet as needed.

Respectfully submitted,

Tiffany Foust  
Secretary, POMHA