

## Missoula Horse Council Board Meeting Notes

6/14/2022

### Mavericks Training Facility

In attendance: Sheila Mealey, Bill Bucher, Jenni Johnson, Arwyn Anthony, Deb Anderson, Linda McCormick, Kathryn Maslanka, Penny Bucher, Scott David, Nancy Adams, Clara Davison, Natalie Sullivan, Drue Kerns, Megan Twohig

Meeting start: 6:02pm

#### Minutes

- Motion to approve May minutes: Linda, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jenni – approved

#### Treasurer's Report

- Motion to approve Treasurer's Report: Linda, 2<sup>nd</sup> Natalie – approved

#### Guest – Nancy Adams

- Dust break research - \$19,000 to drill new well to water potential trees by 4H arena
- Neighborhood suggestions –
  - Kid play area
  - Picnic tables
  - More trees for shade
  - Trim dead branches
  - Reach out to community about the park history and awareness
  - More signage at each gate – add website/QR code to signage
- Getting other organizations involved - Iris Society/gardeners getting involved in landscaping, Audubon society, etc.
- Making it easier for non-riders to get their memberships

#### Committee Reports

- **5-year plan** – mostly brainstorming, keeping in mind TSP revision
- **Gala** – event application approved, need to sell tickets and get silent auction items
- **Marketing/PR** – Facebook ad boosts
- **Merchandise** – prioritizing hats and shirts – will get order in asap and prioritize hats
- **Work day** – fall date 10/15
- **Working Equitation** – need lots of help, food, transportation – will work on logistics and get volunteer signup set up

- **H/J Schooling Show** – well attended - \$5,400 revenue, ~\$1,000 expenses, need to work on how to run jumper arena more effectively
  - Michele Puiggari – receives membership in exchange for legal work
- **Mini-Event** – All went well all things considered despite weather and several conflicting events. Over \$6000 revenue, unsure on expenses yet. Looking to bump date back next year to avoid conflicting shows
- **Breeches N Buckles** – coming up this weekend – signup genius is up and need volunteers
- **Omoksee** – some new events this year, also need volunteers
  - Want to buy timing lights
  - Motion to have Penny purchase two set of electric eyes for Omoksee: Arwyn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Linda – approved

### **Event Director Report - Kathryn**

- Neon is ready to go out
- Cirque tickets – board members and those directly associated board each get a free ticket – plus ones will need to purchase tickets – let Kathryn know asap

### **Maintenance**

- Event organizers need to step up on their event prep as low on staff

### **Old Business**

- P-cards: Motion to switch to P-cards for event organizers and other park needs: Arwyn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jenni – approved
- Mike Hartkorn – certified letter sent to him revoking membership, haven't heard anything from him since

### **New Business**

- County has put brakes on electrical project as they think it makes us an RV park – Sheila has meeting set up to discuss with them
  - They also want to approve any advertising we do before it is shared
- Kathryn's hours – what the park pays for vs. event organizing – need to prioritize being park director and not organize events
  - Suggestion to make event specific emails to take questions off of Kathryn for each event
- No July meeting – next meeting August 9<sup>th</sup> 6pm
- Giving Kris Sviderskaya membership in exchange for judging jumper show 2 years ago – board good with still giving her 2022 membership that was not previously redeemed
- RV hookup overnights during Cirque Ma'Ceo – talked to coordinator and ok with it
- Having waiver for "Friends of the Park" – yes want to include a waiver that they sign

- Parking – having designated area for dog walkers to park – maybe by 4H arena
- Arwyn will work on making sign for “Day Parking for Friends of the Big Sky Horse Park”

**Motion to adjourn: Arwyn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Clara – approved**

**Meeting adjourned 8:19pm**