MSBOA MEETING MINUTES September 3, 2024 MHHA Office 185 Main St. Augusta, Maine Start Time 6:00 pm

Board members present: Carolyn Corso, Francis Hanley, Steven Wilson, Peggy Tardif, Rhoda Underhill, Josiah Reed.

Via Zoom: Chris Basford Guest: Diann Perkins

Call to order: President: Carolyn Corso 6:02 pm

President's Remarks: Carolyn received a call from Shane Bacon regarding the idea of having outside stallions. He feels it is the only saving grace for the Sire Stakes program. He would like to attend a meeting in the near future to discuss and get the Boards opinion.

Secretary's report:

Last meetings minutes were previously emailed to all board members, no questions or concerns.

Motion to accept the minutes from the meeting on August 7, 2024, by Fran Hanley, 2nd by Peg Tardiff; unanimous.

Rhoda reported that the deadline for Mare Incentive applications has now passed and she will verify all applications. Drawing will be held at a future meeting.

Treasurer's report: Fran Hanley gave the report and provided a paper copy to the Secretary to file.

Motion to accept the treasurer's report by Rhoda Underhill, 2nd by Steven; unanimous.

Committee Reports:

Public Relations:

Charlie Horne: TV commercial will be updated for upcoming fairs and the 2 year old finals at Cumberland.

Channel 6: Have not heard back from them.

Rhoda will do the free 'event' under "Things to do in Maine" for the upcoming fairs and the 2 year old finals.

Old Business:

Chapter 9

Final document- changes are being made as requested by the Fairness Committee and a final document will be available after it has been completed.

Presentation to MHRC: The changes to Chapter 9 will be presented to the Commission in the coming months.

2 YO Finals-

Assignments for all areas and aspects of the day, paddock, grandstand, display, winners circle and promotional items were discussed and agreed on.

50 Year History- We will put out an email to our members list and a FB post requesting items for submission. Peg is the lead and will gather and arrange.

New Business:

October MSBOA meeting- Monday, September 30, 2024 at regular time.

Adjournment: 7:29 p.m.