



## ***NEW MEXICO HUNTER JUMPER ASSOCIATION***

### ***Board of Directors Meeting – Class B Year***

New Mexico Hunter-Jumper Association  
P.O. Box 10357  
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**March 7, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER:** At 6:44 the meeting was called to order by President, Becky Newmon. The meeting was held in person at Robles, Rael & Anaya, 500 Marquette Ave. NW #700, Albuquerque, NM 87102, and a Zoom link was available.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Becky Newmon, Molly Mazer, Brittany Jorgensen, Hannah Shotwell, Grace Mazer, Tillery DiCenzo (Zoom), Taylor Rahn.

**ABSENT:** None.

**MEMBER GUESTS PRESENT:** In person: Katie Espat, Denise Moreno, Laura Simpson, Lisa Hooper. Via Zoom: Lisa Piasecki, Marisa French, Christine Kendrick, Anne Wrinkle

**MINUTES:** Brittany motioned to approve the minutes from the previously scheduled board meeting held on February 5, 2023. Grace seconded the motion, and all members present were in favor. The minutes will be finalized on NMHJA letterhead and sent to all Board Members.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- Organize moving jumps from HIPICO to EXPO

### **REPORTS FROM OFFICERS:**

#### ***The President of the Association, Becky Newmon***

- Moving jumps to EXPO
  - Can rent out jumps at EXPO to recoup some costs
  - May need to purchase jumper jumps at some point
  - Oppey will let Becky and Molly know availability
- Point reciprocity
  - Will point NMAHA shows at “C” points. Compatible points across
  - NMHJA small donation?
- There was discussion of the format of the schooling shows
- Trainer connections/outreach
  - Call all hunter/jumper trainers in the area
  - Eventing trainers also
- More social media posts

***The Vice President of the Association, Brittany Jorgensen***

- None

***The Treasurer of the Association, Molly Mazer***

- Molly gave update on horse show facility, profits, and costs:
  - 2022 – new contract with HIPICO.
    - Grass rings \$700/day for warmup and for the arena
    - Stall bundling (which was new in 2022)
      - Many stalls charged at the higher rate because Parker was unexpectedly cancelled and our shows were larger
    - Administrative fees (office fee), tenting fees,
    - High cancellation fee, and would have to pay staffing fees even if no event was held
  - Contract renegotiations
    - Bundle/non-bundling for stall option, but changing access period terms (nights → days)
    - No change to arena fee, but new barn crew fee and waste cleaning fee
    - Changed cancellation policy
    - Increase to \$20 a bag for shavings
  - HIPICO versus EXPO
    - Footing
      - Discussed with EXPO director past problems with footing
    - Indoor arena more expensive than HIPICO rates, but also includes office, AV, bathrooms, etc.
    - Moving to EXPO keeps us from having to pass increased cost onto members
  - Westworld
    - 6 arenas, everything included is \$32k, which is far less than HIPICO
- Fundraising opportunities:
  - Smaller shows, clinics, etc.
- Large turnout for the horse shows:
  - Corporate sponsorship
  - Security concerns?
- Members concerns:
  - Anne: Guy McElvain says things are still negotiable
  - Lisa Piasecki: footing concerns
    - We believe new management will manage the footing better
  - Laura Simpson: how do we get more trainers/horses at the show?
    - What would be the ideal horse showing situation for people who are in

NM but don't attend shows?

- Membership decrease:
  - What is the value of a NMHJA membership?
    - Some barns don't join outright
    - Clinicians
  - Get all trainers together
  - NMQHA/NMAHA reciprocity
  - Outreach classes
  - Jumper jackpot classes?
    - Not USEF modeled classes, but unique/fun classes
    - Sponsorship opportunities
- Corporate sponsorship levels
  - Bronze (\$250)
  - Silver (\$500)
  - Gold (\$1000+)

***The Secretary of the Association, Hannah Shotwell***

- FB & insta posts
  - re: votes for format
  - Created more open jumper divisions
  - Frame schooling show as an opportunity to view EXPO
- Website
  - Post rules

***Reports from Standing Committees:***

***The Points & Membership Committee Chair, Becky Newmon***

- 35 members, 38 horses
- Becky will take forms to the Arab show
- Open to fun classes at April show
- Sponsored lunch pizza at the ring

***The Rules & By-laws Committee Chair, Taylor Rahn***

- Proposed changes to rules:
  - USHJA – 2'-2'6", and 2'9"+
- Affiliate nomination policy

***The Awards Committee Chair, Tillery DiCenzo***

- None.

*The Junior Representative, Grace Mazer*

- N/A

*The Website & Newsletter Editor, Hannah Shotwell*

- Add a slide show to website of member photos

*The Member at Large, VACANT*

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*New Business:*

*Previous Incomplete Action Items:*

- Hannah to do Annual Report


*Current Action Items:*

- Review corporate sponsorships
- Approve rule changes
- Banquet

**ADJOURNMENT:** Grace moved to adjourn the meeting. Taylor seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 4:45 pm. The next NMHJA Board meeting is scheduled to be held at 6:30 PM on April 4, 2023.

*Attachments:*

- 1.

Minutes prepared by Hannah Shotwell  and were approved by the Board of Directors on April 4, 2023.

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