

1. Opening and welcome - Billy (IPP)

- Claire Harris stepped down from the Board of the Manitoba Hunter Jumper Association, and was replaced as Immediate Past President by Billy Wiltshire – **Amended March 21, 2017**

2. Attendance list - regrets from Erin, Jen, patty

3. Notification in procedural error in board member tally at AGM - Billy (IPP)

- there was actually three open positions and there wasn't a need for the vote at the AGM
- 3.1 proposed resolution "that the IPP, Dr. Billy Wiltshire, inform the mhja members via a newsflash that a procedural error was made in the determination of the number of new members eligible for the board, being 18 in total. All names nominated and seconded at the AGM in 2017, and those whom finally accepted the nominations, are eligible for board membership of the mhja, with one open board seat, of the total of 18 (which includes the Immediate Past President) remaining vacant at the present time. The board has requested that the membership be informed and an erratum be added to the minutes of the 2017 AGM to reflect the correction to the board composition"
- John proposed to accept Jamie seconds
- 3.2 welcome to new board members - Billy (IPP)

1. Election of the president: nominations - Andrew, Hugh, Jamie, Nadine, Sean, John, John. Andrew, Hugh, and Nadine accept nominations and Andrew is voted as the new president seconds and voting - officiated by Billy (IPP)

4.1 congratulations and welcome to the new MHJA president Andrew Curry - Billy (IPP)

1. New president takes the chair and continues officiating the election of the ExCo officers and Chairs of Portfolios

5.1 1st Vice President

Hugh nominates carol and John seconds

Board elects Carol to the position

5.2 2nd Vice President

Carol nominates Leslie and John seconds

Board elects Leslie to the position

5.3 Treasurer

Hugh is nominated by Billy and Leslie seconds

Board elects Hugh to the position

5.4 Secretary Sean is nominated by John and seconded by Leslie, Carol nominated Hayley seconded by Leslie - Hayley and Sean agree to share the role though Sean will be listed as the Secretary as we cannot have 2 secretaries.

Board elects Sean

5.5 Membership Chair

Erin is nominated by Leslie seconded by Elizabeth

Board elects Erin

5.6 volunteer membership chair

Jen is nominated by Marlo and seconded by Hugh

Board elects Jen

5.7 show chair and vice chair

Billy nominates Catherine as show chair and Andrew as vice chair Hugh seconds

Board elects Catherine as the Show Chair and Andrew as the Vice Show Chair

5.8 equipment chair and vice chair

Leslie nominates Jamie and John seconds

Board elects Jamie, there is no one filling the Vice Chair

5.9 Points chair

Leslie nominates Hayley and Nadine seconds

Board elects Hayley

5.10 hospitality

Leslie nominates Carol

Board elects Carol

5.11 athlete development chair

Nadine nominates Elizabeth and Marlo seconds

Board elects Elizabeth

5.12 sponsorship chair and vice chair

John Biron nominates John Savard and Leslie seconds

Nadine is nominated by John Savard

Board elects John Savard as Sponsorship Chair

Board elects Nadine as the Vice Chair

5.13 communications chair (websites and news flashes)

Jamie Penner nominated Marlo John Savard seconds

Board elects Marlo

5.14 RREx liaison person

Billy nominated Andrew and Elizabeth seconds

Board elects Andrew

5.15 MHC liaison person

Leslie nominated John Biron and John Savard seconds

Board elects John Biron

5.16 marketing chair

Catherine nominates Nadine and Jamie seconds

Board elects Nadine

1. Election of members on subcommittees- president in the chair

6.1 show committee members

Catherine, Elizabeth, Andrew, Leslie, Carol, Hugh

Non board members on the committee are Hermann and Eric Martin

6.2 hospitality committee members

Carol, Leslie, patty, Hayley, John Savard, Marlo, Jamie, Elizabeth, and Nadine

6.3 sponsorship committee members

John Savard, Marlo, Leslie, Jamie, Nadine

6.4 athlete development committee

Marlo, Elizabeth and Nadine

1. Sponsorship brochure update - John, currently 8 pages maybe next year we could add more pictures and make it 12 pages (have a photographic year book). Looking into possibly adding permission in the waiver to be photographed at shows that could be used for the next sponsorship brochure - show committee will look into this
 - Numerous quality photos available, with lots of junior riders featured
 - No change to format for this year – looking for candid shots to be added for next year
 - Billy Wiltshire raised issue of new privacy laws and photo consent – Show Committee will look into adding media release to show waivers
 - Billy Wiltshire raised question of partnering with another charity –
2. Membership forms and update –
 - Forms are available on website
3. Matters from member feedback or AGM Concerns
 - News blast to be sent out to membership regarding new timeline for renewing membership
 - John Savard raised concept of sponsors applying/renewing and communicating with Sponsorship online – Nadine DeKoning suggest using QuickBooks to track data
 - Branding and vision for MHJA:
 - John Biron raised idea of general membership meeting

- Nadine DeKoning raised need for a defined brand (luxury, emerging riders, etc.) to create a 5 year plan from
 - Billy Wiltshire raised need to examine and make changes to the constitution to redefine the vision – will send the latest version of the constitution to the Board for deliberation
- Billy Wiltshire raised need for increased signage for consideration

4. Urgent new matters from the floor –

- John Biron shared letter from the Jumping Committee of Equestrian Canada (EC) to EC Stakeholders re: dissatisfaction with leadership of EC and its procedures, and a call for an emergency meeting of EC members
- John Biron also raised issues encountered by Manitoba Horse Council securing funding from Sport Manitoba, due to complex nature of the sport

5. Date of next meeting Tuesday February 28
6. Motion to adjourn at 8:26
7. Board photograph for website