

**BHAM MEETING MINUTES**  
**MAY 2, 2010**  
**MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY**  
**EAST LANSING MICHIGAN**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Heidi Gautz  
Rick St. Onge  
Lisa Watts  
Betty Crowell  
Bev McCollum  
Nancy Rich  
Kaitlynn Watts  
John Hull

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mike Gallegos  
Tami Thornton  
Pam Wells

GUESTS:

Linda Hull

Betty called the meeting to order at 10:14 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Kaitlynn made a motion to approve the March, 2010 minutes as corrected; John supported. The minutes were approved as corrected.

LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Betty said we had a great show and thanked everyone for pitching in and helping out. Dinner went over well on Saturday night. There has been talk of discontinuing the April show but it is very well attended from year to year; therefore, discontinuing the April show is not anticipated.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Rick said the April show was successful. BHAM sold 162 stalls—that is 42 more stalls than we could have sold had if we had stayed at MSU facility.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: No report.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Heidi presented bills. John made a motion to pay the bills. Kaitlynn supported the motion. The motion passed. Kaitlynn made a motion to place the treasurer's report on the record. Rick supported. **The motion passed. Rick made a motion to have the treasurer write Jr. BHAM a check in the amount of \$500 based on the pattern books and the 50/50 raffle to begin to fund their checking account.** Lisa supported. John opposed. The motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**AWARD: Betty has a 2009 year end award for Bev and she will bring it to the next show. Blue Ribbons have been ordered. Susan's buckle came in. Rick is trying to get in touch with Susan to get the buckle to her.**

**JUNIOR BHAM: Kaitlynn is suggesting a "rock" party where Jr. BHAM kids take rocks out of the arena and make a party out of it. Heidi offered to put a sign in the window at the office advertising the Jr. BHAM meeting. The Jr. BHAM meetings are at 8:30 Friday evenings. Nancy will try to see if the Jr. BHAM kids will bring desserts to the Saturday evening meals. Nancy spoke about choosing 2 teams each weekend. Bev suggested a quilt—having the kids make quilt squares; Bev would make a quilt and it could be auctioned. Squares with the logo could be on some of the squares. Nine inch squares would be needed and about \$150 in materials. The quilt could be on display at the 4<sup>th</sup> of July show and at Congress. Jr. BHAM will advertise the scholarship opportunity.**

**Heidi will post a schedule in the office for adults and children who want to volunteer to staff the coupon table. Nancy will also post the volunteer opportunity for the coupon table in the *Bullet*.**

**JUDGES: Judges' evaluations were completed. The judge's expenses are all within budget.**

**DRUG TESTING: Jessi from Clinton Vet is will be getting a quote via email to Rick and Betty. Betty has been in contact with Laura Pylman from Laingsburg to submit a quote as well.**

**POINTS: Heidi reported that the points are calculated.**

**BHAM REPRESENTATIVE: Kaitlynn reported that Katie Rich is doing great. Kaitlynn will work on advertising the Jr. BHAM Representative opportunity.**

**BULLET: Nancy will put information in the *Bullet* regarding the Jr. BHAM Scholarship opportunity, BHAM Representative opportunity, and opportunities to volunteer in the office for the coupon table.**

**BANQUET: No report.**

**ETHICS: An investigation was conducted and a report was given. No action will be taken. Lisa will email the offended party that no action was taken. Betty passed out the ethics statement. Everyone signed except Mike, Tammy and Pam because they were not at the meeting today.**

**LTA: Bev said she has received no nominations this year. Nancy will put an announcement seeking nominations in the *Bullet*.**

**SPONSORSHIP: John believes he found a sponsor for a belt buckle at congress and perhaps t-shirts.**

**SSS/FUTURITY: Betty is reporting that 4 stallions are sold. Betty will be sending out postcards to stallion owners whose stallions have not sold. Betty is requesting stallion service sale signs to be available at congress for photographs.**

**WEEKEND SHOWS: Rick thanked everyone for pitching in making the show success. We have worked out a better way to handle trail patterns. Heidi did a price comparison for office supplies and BHAM will be purchasing supplies from Tony's supplier.**

**MEMBERSHIP: We have 140 members with 98 voting members. Lisa will have a membership form at the show for Mike.**

CONGRESS: Betty said she has been receiving calls asking about congress dates and the availability of the congress showbill. The drug test fee will increase from \$3 per judge per horse. The office fee will increase from \$8 to \$10. Trail patterns will be free. Pee Wee Lead line will occur just before lunch break—will follow class 118. John made a motion to approve the changes in the show fees. Bev supported the motion and it passed.

TRAIL: No report.

RULES: John raised a question about the annual meeting requirements in the rule book. John also noted a discrepancy regarding when the treasurer's reports are required. John will continue working on the rules. The deadline for making rule suggestions to John will be at the August, 2010 meeting.

PUBLICITY: No report. Suggestions were made for Rick to advertise the speed show in July. **Rick will put something in the ad for *Horse Circuit News* advertising the speed show at the 4<sup>th</sup> of July show. Rick will work on the securing a percentage of sales from our official logo from vendors.**

WEBSITE: Nancy reported she has been updating the website as needed. **Nancy is compiling a list of revisions she would like from the vendor.**

OLD BUSINESS: **Rick checked on using the air card for web cams of the show.**

John made a motion to pay half down on the saddles to Tom's in the amount \$2,500. Rick supported. The motion passed.

Rick spoke with Clyde Fletcher. IBHA is not agreeing to have a joint show where BHAM would offer opportunities to earn IBHA points for their exhibitors.

NEW BUSINESS: **John volunteered to bring coffee to the show. Betty will bring the coffee pot.**

ADJOURNMENT: John made a motion to adjourn; Heidi supported and the meeting was adjourned at 2:16 p.m.

**The next meeting will be on Sunday, June 13, 2010 @ 10:00 a.m. at MSU.**