

**Mid America Paso Fino Horse Association
Annual Membership Meeting Minutes
January 13, 2018
Jacque B's Kitchen & Cocktails Montrose, MN**

Attending: Lynda Zimmerman, Chuck Hauser, Sharon Gallagher, Jan Meyer, 9 members and 1 non-member.

Introductions were made by everyone that attended.

Lynda Zimmerman brought our attention to a pamphlet handout outlying the new PFHA Trail Horse Test Program.

Raffle: Dover Saddlery donated a reduced price leather halter with free engraving and some horse treats. An assortment of raffle prizes were given away that were donated by the board members.

Review of 2017: Lynda Zimmerman gave a brief review of MAPFHA events for 2017. We had our annual spring camping at Crow Hassan Park in May. We had trail rides, campfires, a potluck and enjoyed beautiful weather. In July Lynda & Bob Zimmerman and Jan & Marv Meyer took a road trip out to South Dakota for camping and trail riding in the Black Hills. October was highlighted by fall camping. Several members traveled to Minnesota's State Park at Fort Ridgley.

After lunch our President Lynda Zimmerman called the meeting to order at 12:30PM.

Web site: Lynda Zimmerman introduced our Web Master Diane Merz to the group. Diane said she has been the Web Master for about one year. The hosting fee is \$9.99 a month or \$120.00 a year. To retain our domain name MAPFHA.org is another \$20.00 a year. Diane stated she is looking for any input from the membership and we can call her with any suggestions or problems. It was discussed that our Treasurer Chuck Hauser will reimburse Diane Merz for any of the costs associated with the Web-site. Diane also stated she will watch to see if our original name MAPFHA.com ever becomes available again.

By-Laws: Lynda Zimmerman reported that she had sent out revised By-laws to the membership prior to our annual meeting for their review. Lynda asked if there were any concerns. Motion to approve the revised By-laws by Nancy Drumsta, seconded by Chuck Hauser. Approved.

Minutes: from January 21, 2017 were motioned for approval by Dan Scherer, seconded by Sharon Gallagher. Approved.

Financial Report: Our Treasurer Chuck Hauser reported on our 2017 Balance Sheet. As of 12-31-2017 we have \$4,638.13 cash and bank accounts.
Total income of \$777.53

Total expenses of \$1,253.06
An overall total loss of \$875.53
See attachment for a breakdown.

Chuck Hauser also reported that he has learned PFHA may give up to \$1,000.00 per region to attend Horse Expo's, host a Paso Fino Clinic or sponsor ride a Paso Fino at a Farm Event. This will be voted on at the PFHA Board of Director's Meeting.
Motion to accept the Financial Report by Barb Scherer, seconded by Bob Zimmerman.
Approved.

Membership: Chuck Hauser report we have 20 memberships including individual and family.

Annual Spring Camp out: Chuck Hauser reported he has reserved the Blue Stem Campground at Crow Hassan Park near Rogers, MN for May 11th and 12th, 2018. Non-members can attend and pay a \$10.00 participation fee. Bob Zimmerman suggested we mention this at the 2018 Minnesota Horse Expo to generate interest. Motion to approve going forward with our Annual Spring Camp Out motioned by Bob Zimmerman, seconded by Sharon Gallagher. Approved.

South Dakota Camping: Chuck Hauser mentioned that Cathy Tauer has camping at their facility in South Dakota and will offer MAPFHA members a 15% discount.

Minnesota 2018 Horse Expo: Lynda Zimmerman reported that 5 members are representing MAPFHA at the Horse Expo this year. We will be positioned in stall numbers 206 through 213. These are the same stalls we have had in the past.
Chuck Hauser talked to the Insurance Co. we have used in the past and they do not have insurance for a one-time event. Chuck also stated we should have insurance to participate in an event like the Horse Expo. Chuck said he will talk to someone at PFHA and ask for suggestions on Insurance Companies.

Fall Camp Out: Lynda Zimmerman asked if there was any interest in a fall camp out in 2018. Jim and Sue Bartels who were present at the meeting spoke about offering to have the fall camp out at their farm near Rochester, MN. It is primitive camping but they have a barn and some cooking facilities. Sue Bartels and Sharon Gallagher will talk further about this and report back to the Board.

Lynda Zimmerman motioned we support the Pro Paso US Network Rescue, operated by Carmen Micheletti in Florida with a \$100.00 donation. Seconded by Chuck Hauser.
Approved.

Non Profit Status: Lynda Zimmerman reported she has renewed our non-profit status with the State of Minnesota.
Chuck Hauser has filed our non-profit status with the IRS.

Nominations: Lynda Zimmerman reported that the positions of President and Secretary are up for nominations. Lynda Zimmerman stated that she and Jan Meyer have agreed to run for their respective offices again.

Chuck Hauser asked if there were any nominations from the floor. No nominations from the floor. Any other nominations. No other nominations. Chuck closed the nominations.

Chuck Hauser asked approval for:

Lynda Zimmerman for President of MAPFHA

Jan Meyer for Secretary of MAPFHA

Unanimous approval by a show of hands from the attending members.

President Lynda Zimmerman asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion from Sue Bartels to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Bob Zimmerman.

Adjourned.

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