



**Minutes of the Mid-America Fox Trotting Horse Breed Association
Annual Membership Meeting: October 22, 2016
Eagles Lodge - Springfield, MO**

The meeting was called to order by President, Mitzi Mantle at 7:28 p.m.

Secretary Danielle Anthony presented the minutes from the 2015 Annual Membership Meeting. Maxcy Dimmick made a motion to approve the minutes as printed. Gail Freed seconded. The motion passed.

Julie Odor presented the treasurer's report. Dawn Tolar made a motion to approve the treasurer's report as printed. Mary Kiefer seconded. The motion passed.

Debbi Levillie presented the Futurity/Maturity treasurer's report and entry numbers as of the meeting. 7 horses were entered in the 2017 Futurity at this date. Barb Turner made a motion to approve the report as printed. Ricka Mathews seconded. The motion passed.

Treasurer, Julie Odor presented the 2016 Mid America Grand Slam financial report. Julie informed the membership that the board is working on collecting a few of the unpaid bills and tabs but overall the show was a success and profitable. All those in attendance received a show income and expense printout and Julie explained the details thoroughly. She brought to the boards attention that at this date we still have a scholarship check that has not been cashed by the institution and that she will check into that. She also explained that \$1,200 was put into the general account 9/22/16 from the youth account for show expenses from Samantha Connelly, Mid America Youth Director.

President Mitzi Mantle led discussion about updating the Mid America rules and/or by-laws regarding exhibitor age restrictions for the 2 Year Old Futurity due to issues the past 2 years that warranted board attention so for future situations the Mid America board felt we needed something in writing but felt the membership should vote and make a decision on what they thought, if anything should be done. Currently there is no age restriction from Mid America regarding youth showing 2 Year Olds. After membership discussion and input regarding insurance and the safety of all exhibitors, Vic Rowden made a motion to make the Age for Showing in the 2 Year Old Futurity 18 Years & Older. Jim Kilburn seconded. The motion passed.

Mitzi informed the membership of the new Social media outlets Mid America is using to stay in touch with members, and be cost effective. And suggested all members follow them for updates.

The 2017/18 officers and board of directors for the Mid America Foxtrotting Horse Association are as follows: President: Mitzi Mantle, Vice President: Gail Freed, Secretary: Danielle Anthony, Treasurer: Julie Odor, Two Year Old Futurity Treasurer: Debbie Levillie, Historian: Maxcy Dimmick, Greene County: Michele King, Greene County: Jim Kilburn, Southwest: Mary Kiefer, Northwest: Ricka Mathews, Arkansas: Brad Matlock, Northeast: Autumn Larkowski, Southeast: Jennifer Roberts. Wendell Tolar made a motion to approve the new board of directors. Brian Larkowski seconded. The motion passed.

Ricka Mathews made a motion to adjourn. Tom Owen seconded. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.