

High Desert Hunter Jumper Association

Board Meeting Minutes

8/25/25

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Meeting Facilitator: Germaine Dougherty, HDHJA President

Board Officers: Terry Morrison, Christy Gentry, Kalie Whitcomb

Committee Members: Lisa Pleasance, Kay Lynch, Margaret Kolata, Sunny Maxwell, Lori Peterson, Marian Ehlers, Beth Breiten, Jennifer Delia, Selena Griffen

1. Call to order at 6:48 pm
2. Roll call: Kalie, Germaine, Jen, Terry, Selena, Christy, Lisa, Margaret
3. Approval of minutes: Terry moves to approve, Kalie second for approval, no abstentions
4. Treasury Report: \$58,916k balance in \$5,890 in Katy Account – Kalie will move \$1k over to cover the check that Germaine wrote to Adelyn Jacoby. Kalie didn't receive the checks from Wilsonville or Charlotte. Carla has these checks.
 - a. Spring Shows: Break Even (without the ribbon costs)
 - b. Biggest changes are transport costs and setting up of the portable stalls, we also spent more money on judges and ribbons.
 - c. Adventure Medics went up a little
 - d. We also added food to our show costs
 - e. Food for thought: What can we do next year to adjust this, so we are at least raising a small amount of funds for future programs.
 - f. Let's consider developing a prize list at the beginning of the year so that we can outline special classes for each show early in the season. This was in reply to our efforts to publicize special classes and money prizes.
5. Banquet Update:
 - a. Date: January 4, 2026
 - b. Reminder to request photos for annual video.
 - c. Location: Riverhouse Event Center (deposit is paid).
 - d. Banquet Committee – meets next week (September 3 at 6:30 pm at Currents).
 - e. Auction: Who is on the auction committee?

- i. Megan will continue to assist with the auction – Selena will check in with Megan and Mare on how we pass the torch this year (Jen is communicating with Megan on details as well)
- ii. Mosely will be attending the next committee meeting
- iii. Christy/Jen to collect wine for the wine pull (2 tier pull)
- iv. Scholarship + Awards (Due November 1st)
- v. Germaine to send Terry/Christy full write-ups for all the scholarships
- vi. Do we have someone who could talk to Katy's family about the grant and their wishes for it in the future – we should reach out before we run out of money. If we award \$1k per year, we are down to the last four years. What would they like their legacy to be?
- vii. Let's get the historical awards/payments updated on the spreadsheet

6. Newsletter

- a. Save the Date
- b. Auction Call for Participation
- c. September Show Details
- d. October Show Date/Location
- e. Scholarships/Grants
- f. Donate to the Katy Grundeman Rider Grant

7. Fall Shows

- a. Let's recap some important safety and courtesy rules on social for the next show
- b. Next show at Sydney's – let's be sure to manage the ring gates to ensure safe traffic in and out – maybe create a chain block or a single file entry for horse and riders.
- c. September show: recruit volunteers for starters, food, other roles?
 - i. Judges: Mckenzie Harvey (small ring), Daniel Lean (Saturday + Sunday)
 - ii. Announcers: Margaret, TBD
 - iii. Back Gates: Terry both days, Germaine to ask Sydney about support for announcing and back gate
 - iv. Food: Food Truck will be on site (let's see if they would come to SDF in Oct)
 - v. Lisa met with Sydney to review show needs and layout. She will touch base on rules and requirements for course building and classes.

vi. Jen will send link of show “what you need” document to Germaine, and we can share with Sydney to support her in her first show. This can be a shared document.

vii. Questions:

1. Do we have anything related to release of liability? Covered under the HDHJA Show Policy. BUT if riders come on Friday to school, they would need to sign a local barn release since this wouldn't be included in the “show” paperwork.
2. Kalie will follow up with Sydney to determine who should be added as additional insured. (Barn Owners + Property Owners) – we are limited to covering up to 100 members. Kalie will check in with our insurance to adjust this.
3. Kalie will also add the Friday dates to our insurance to be sure we have rider coverage for those who come in early.
4. Can we create a separate waiver for early arrivals? This would be an electronic waiver that can be managed prior to the show. We could use the SDF waiver as a HDHJA early arrival waiver.
5. Social Media/Newsletter Shout Outs – let's add that people can come Friday to school and that we are hosting a \$500 Jumper Derby to Sunday.
6. Sydney will pay her barn owner the fee for the day (\$250) – so we can waive an early haul in fees. We can revisit the dollar amount we are giving barns to cover misc. costs associated with having the show (flowers, paint, etc.)

d. Confirm location for October show – Some Day Farm

8. Fundraising & Sponsorship Updates

- a. See's Candy Follow Up: disbursement of funds, volunteer hours, etc.
 - i. We have a list of participants and monies raised
 - ii. What is our system for having participants share their volunteer hours and requested the funds.
 - iii. Kalie will send each participant an email outlining a few volunteer options and request that they share what two hours of volunteer work they did.

- b. Wilsonville Flat Off made about \$300
- c. Sponsors
- d. Opt Out October
 - i. OHJA offers grants that might be pulled down for this.
 - ii. Let's revisit an incentive: Money Raised + Minutes Ridden
 - iii. Success was better when we had a goal and gave weekly progress reports
 - iv. Let's talk to the trainers and members that this will be a paid challenge – we can challenge people and then they would need to share the videos
 - v. Germaine is willing to do a quick little video explaining OOO and how to participate, document and pay.

9. Clinic Ideas – Germaine to look into who would be willing to do the clinic:

- a. Can we ask Wendy to reach out to Dick Widger?
- b. Ray would be happy to come; Jeff is always willing.
- c. Natural horsemanship clinic? Someone who shares our values. Sports psychology? Mounted and unmounted options?
- d. Weather and hosting barn for an October 10-11 clinic?
 - i. Some Day Farm ok to host
 - ii. Lisa good with bringing the temp stalls early

10. Website Update

- a. New Website – for the schedule we need to direct people to horseshowtime, which will be more accurate than the PDF we have been previously posting.
- b. Lori is working on a new site build, Christy is working with the committee to map out content, Kate sent us a link for new photos.
- c. NOTE: we need to post the prize list 30 days prior to the show.

11. New Business

- a. Mountain Burger Fundraiser – They are willing to do it again this fall. Jen will loop back with them on a date. Then we can share it via the newsletter and social.
- b. Let's investigate what grants might be available to HDHJA via say, OHJA. The process is simple, apply and determine how the money will be used.

12. Set date for next meeting – Tuesday, September 23, 2025

13. Adjourn – 8:28 pm