

**LCHA Board Meeting Minutes
February 4th, 2009**

Board Members Present: Michael Kalil
Cory Bowgren
Susan Chauvin
Jane Hall
Robbyn Sellers
Helen Johnson
Ericka Clark
Jerry Jacobs

Board Members Absent: Scarlett Collins

Meeting was called to order at 6:42pm by Mike Kalil

We do not have the minutes from the January Board meeting so it was agreed that the minutes would be e-mailed to the board members for approval.

Treasurer's report was presented by Jane Hall. The balance is \$5,168.18 as of February 4th, 2009. Civic center and the Insurance bill still need to be paid from these funds. It was discussed that we will be putting \$90.00 in the relief fund. This equals \$30.00 from each division. It has been hard to reach Alta at the civic center but finally she has been reached and she has agreed that there has been an over charge of the facility and that performance has been over charged \$150.00 per show and she will credit it back toward future shows.

It has been agreed that due to the correct price fro the civic center is would benefit us to continue to have performance stay at the civic center instead of switching over to the posse arena.

There was a question brought up about the 5 computers that LCHA owns. Scarlett Collins, Lori Darr, and Regan Burke each had one. One was to go to Jane Hall who opted to use her own at home. Where are the other 2 computers? The board will look into this.

Motion to accept the financial report was given by Cory Bowgren and was seconded by Susan Chauvin.

Performance committee report for the future shows was given by Jerry Jacobs and Helen Johnson. They would like to offer a \$50.00 poor boy and to drop there jackpot classes. It is felt that the poor boy would help to fill some of the classes that are in need of more riders. The jackpot classes are not profitable to the club and therefore they would like to drop them and concentrate on the open classes. The \$50.00 poor boy is \$10.00 cheaper than the competition's poor boy. Jane said she as

a parent would have her daughter ride in performance more often if there was a poor boy. The boars agreed to give the poor boy a try. Jane stated that we should have a \$50.00 membership poor boy and a \$75.00 to non-members. Cory agreed stating that they will end up with more members if it is cheaper to show if you are a member. All agreed. Cory then asked if this can take effect in the February show. All said yes and Jane made the motion and Helen seconded the motion. The question was asked about changing the time that the performance show starts to help accommodate church, etc. Punta Gorda starts there show at 9am. It was undetermined if the times would change for the following season.

Performance wants to have coffee and donuts at the show due to the fact that the concession stand does not open until 9am. It was agreed that if it was alright with Alta then we as a board saw no problems with it if it was done when the concession opened at 9am. Alta will be asked if she would agree to close the concession in the future and let them members bring in a pot luck lunch. Stay tuned for an answer.

Other business: we sent out 400 news letters this month and Jane would like to still send out the news letters due to the fact we had 2 new members who joined due to getting the news letters. Jerry said we needed to clean up the list of names though. It was brought up by Susan Chauvin that maybe if we keep the list and still send out the newsletter can we possibly send out our news letter every other month instead of each month. Jane stated that July, September, December, and March would be great moths to send out the letter. Jane motioned to have the news letter sent quarterly and Susan second.

One of the sponsors contacted Mike Kalil about buying our membership contact list. Know one was willing to conceive that our list should be for sale. Cory motioned that sponsors were more than welcome to come to shows and pitch their ideas, products, etc. this will let the members give away there own personal information to whom they want. Jane Second

Feb. 4th membership meeting minutes

Same board members were present, same absent.

Mike said the bylaws state that we should introduce the members but seems how there was know one new to the meeting would it be ok to pass on the introductions.

Mike stated that the board of directors meets before the membership meeting to go over the board issues and decisions and that we will continue to do this to keep some of the issues that do not need to be wasted at the membership meeting out of the membership meeting. This worked well because we ended up covering a lot more ideas and issues that pertain to the members.

Mike told them he did not have the minutes ready to show members that they were going to be e-mailed to the board members to be approved.

Mike told us about a horse track that is going to be built on 70 acres east of I-75 on colonial. The are going to have at least 5 horse races a year. They will have a cover/indoor arena for barrel racing. This should have a positive effect on the horse clubs here to have the extra interest here locally.

Helen and Jerry brought up the performance poor boy and the dropping of the jackpot classes. They informed the members present about the poor boy being \$50.00 to members and \$75 to non-members to start in February. Lori Darr said that February is too soon because there show is upon us already and they had to adjust the paper work and computer to reflect the change. So it was agreed to have the poor boy start in March.

All divisions had a profit for the January show but due to the ribbon order bill being in. The ribbon order was paid for by the performance division's profits.

Someone asked the question of how long should it take for the minutes to be sent after the meeting has taken place. It was stated that it should be available with in days.

Award meeting stated that the awards should be fair across the board for all divisions. In other words: if there are 105 classes that are receiving prizes the dollar amount is split between 105 classes and then the committee for that division will decide what the prizes will be for there division.

Banquet will be at Sable Springs in North Fort Myers.

News letter will be going out quarterly instead of each month. Regan would like copies to go to barns to help bring in new members.

Mike said that someone needs to head up a member liaison, Regan volunteered to head committee to bring in advertisements. Tammy to chair public relations.

Lori has some palm trees that she is loaning for Hunter Jumper show for March and then they can be used at the Fashion Show. Cory is to help with the plants.

We need raffle items for the fashion show!!!!

Jane is working on thank you notes to include a free admission for one, to the companies who donate for us.

Food will be between 5-6pm

The fashion show is coming together nicely.

It was discussed if we wanted to do the special equestrians in May due to the Fashion show in March??? Maybe us donating a class to them and 50/50 raffle. Regan said to do a fundraiser for them, sponsor a trail ride or something. Cory said to do a social or something in the summer.

Jane brought up that we need to have our fun show in August, start the season in September. We need to begin the planning of the fun show now to avoid the extra work latter.

We all discussed the idea of having a summer series to keep the kids interested. Susan motioned to have this put on the table to schedule and discuss at a later date Regan seconded.

Adjourned at 8:55pm

LCHA Board Meeting

March 9, 2009

Meeting was called to order at 7:15pm

**Board members in attendance: Jane Hall
Mike Kahil
Cory Bowgren
Helen Johnson
Robbyn Sellers
Connie Jacobs (proxy for Jerry Jacobs)**

Mike Kahil spoke to Alta at Civic Center and she is open for having coolers at the shows and closing the concession stands. Connie said that the coffee and donuts were a big hit.

Scarlet Collins resigned her position from LCHA. Cory motioned to accept the resignation and Jane Hall seconded the motion. Cory Bowgren motioned for Robbyn Sellers to take over as secretary, Jane seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mike will talk to Terri and see if she would like to step up to awards chair person, for the awards committee.

Budget was gone over by Jane Hall. We have \$4,511.65 and there are three bills that we will need to pay as soon as we receive the bills. We are not approving the financials until Jane as finished with the report.

It was discussed that the hunter/jumper and performance replenishes there petty money out of the cash box at the show. Jane would like to have the petty money done through the treasure department with a check so the money can be tracked. All agreed.

Mike brought up the fact that non-members come to the schooling show and pay the \$20.00 membership price. Jane made a motion to change the fee for non-members to \$150.00 per horse and rider to school. Cory Bowgren seconded the motion. Motion carried. Fox Lee farms had a performance show that Mike attended and he liked the idea of doing a cost package done up to accommodate the sign in and out process. This will make it easier for those who wish to do the poor boy, stalls etc. they can have a package and pay at sign in instead of at the end of the show incase they want to add classes. Mike and the performance division can work more on this and bring back the finished results.

Board and membership meeting minutes will be e-mailed to the board for approval due to the fact that Scarlet was not at the last meeting and Robbyn Sellers took the notes.

Summer series: Jane brought up to the kids and parents at the fair that we are going to put on a summer series for LCHA in all divisions and she received great feed back from the parents and the children.

We will be having the summer series at the Civic Center. Shows will all run in the same weekend. We are working out the details and will have them posted soon. Each division will be in charge of there own show bill.

Fashion show: Mike wanted us to know that there will be up front expenses for the fashion show that we will have to pay for. Each board member has been asked to sell 6 tickets each with is one table. Helen Johnson has been doing a great job with her work in the fashion show.

Board meeting adjourned at 7:58pm

Membership Meeting March 09, 2009

Membership meeting called to order at 7:59pm

**Board members in attendance: Jane Hall
Mike Kahil
Cory Bowgren
Helen Johnson
Robbyn Sellers**

We need raffles for the fashion show!!!

Robbyn Sellers will be taking pictures at the Fashion show. Pictures with Miss Florida and /or group picture will be \$3.00 each.

Jane is getting the information to make a program for the fashion show.

Those who are modeling or have children modeling need to bring snacks.

There will be a segment on WINK TV. on March 17th at 8:40 am about our fashion show tune in.

Our next meeting will be held at UNO's on Daniels same times.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm

LCHA Membership Meeting Minutes April 1, 2009

Board Members present: Mike Kahil
Jane Hall
Jerry Jacobs
Helen Johnson
Ericka Clark
Robbyn Sellers

Board Members Absent: Cory Bowgren
Susan Chauvin

Meeting Called to order at: 7: 40

Treasure's report: Jane hall has had her computer crash and was unable to turn in a hard copy of the report. She did say as of today our final balance is \$1,489.95. This is before the Hunter Jumper deposits, from there last show which has not been closed out yet. The fashion show did very well; we made \$1,042 before we pay for some show costs to us. Jane expects that she can e-mail us a treasure's report Sunday.

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We talked about the awards somewhat. It was decided that we will have a meeting on April 8, 2009, 7pm at Cracker Barrel to go over in more detail on what needs to be done for our end of the year awards. Susan Clark spoke with Amy at Embassy Suites and she is willing to work with us to make our awards go smooth. Robbyn and Susan will try to get in to see her before the Wednesday meeting next week so we have more information to go on.

It was also brought up that maybe we can have a 2 day Hunter/Jumper show instead of three to bring down the costs. It was decided that we revisit this later. Loraine suggested that to bring in bigger and more barns that the Hunter fences should be more like a Hunter show should be. Regan agrees and they will look further into accommodating this request. Mike says maybe we should dedicate 1 ring for Hunter and 1 ring for Jumper. Tiffany said to put up a survey at your next show and see what the members want. Regan stated that she tries to call the trainers to see what they would like to see before each show and that by calling them she is giving them personal contact.

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Someone motioned that we should do ribbons backwards for the summer series to add a fun factor in like give 6th place for first says you were 1st out of 6 etc. Everyone said sounds fun to us to change things around.

Jerry wanted to do something nice for the Performance show in May because it feels on Mothers Day. Maybe add a mother/daughter class, or to just have something nice for them. Robbyn, Jane and Susan agreed to take care of this for them, they told Jerry he gets his show ready and we will have the Mothers taken care of.

Meeting was motioned to adjourn by: Jerry Jacobs

Seconded by: Ericka Clark

Adjourned: 9:13 pm

LCHA Board meeting Minutes

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Jane Hall
Jerry Jacobs
Helen Johnson
Ericka Clark
Robbyn Sellers

Board Members Absent: Cory Bowgren
Susan Chauvin

Meeting called to order at: 7:01pm

Mike stated that a Rebecca Hillian, editor of the Southwest Women's Digest was interested in doing an article this summer on women's horsemanship. Mike passed on Regan's number to help Rebecca with her quest.

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Nominations for the Board of Directors and the executive Board are coming up. It was discussed if we wanted to try to appoint someone to fill the vacant position on the board or do we want to wait and see who gets nominated by the members? We all agreed that this late in the season it was best to wait.

Ericka said she would like to see us have a class donated in October to the Breast Cancer Society, and maybe one at the holidays for the troops. Maybe have members donate items to send over. This was tabled to do more research and to get it all in order.

Hunter/Jumper needs to get with Alta to schedule next years show dates. It was brought up that maybe we should think about putting Speed and Performance on the same day to save money on arena and insurance fees. This will need to be discussed further but know one had any real objections with this idea.

Mike stated that he wanted to thank everyone for a job well done on the Fashion Show. We had very good feed back on our wonderful volunteer models. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves.

Meeting was motioned to adjourn by: Jerry Jacobs
Seconded by: Ericka Clark
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May 06, 2009

**Board Members Present: Mike Kalil
Helen Johnson
Cory Bowgren
Jane Hall
Ericka Clark
Jerry Jacobs
Robbyn Sellers**

Board Members absent: Susan Chauvin

Treasures Report: Jerry Jacobs is not happy with the financials and would like Performance bills audited. Jane Hall said that was not a problem and that she would make him a copy of all Performance bills and invoices she has received. Jane went on to tell Jerry that she does not make up his invoices she goes off of the paperwork that is turned into her by his show manager and secretary, she just pays the bills. Jerry said he would like to split up from the club but keep the LCHA inc name, and Jane and Mike stated that was fine you may leave the club if you choose to, but you leave with out the LCHA inc name. Jerry has stated that he will not be on the Board Of Directors next year. Jane Hall has also stated that she will not be on the Board next Year. Jerry is not happy that Performance is showing they are in the negative on the financials. He said that the poor boy lost fees should not count against them and Jane and Regan tried to explain that the computer shows all classes as a \$10 fee and that they have to plug that money in somewhere as a loss because when the members sign up for the class it shows as a profit (which is not correct either).

Regan is getting a correct amount of the shavings and giving it to Jane so she can post the money correctly.

Mike informed Robbyn sellers that she needs to send a copy of the minutes to Lori Darr so that she can put them on the web page. Robbyn stated that she was not aware that she had to do this and will have it done this coming week. Robbyn asked what are the official duties of a Secretary and was told to look at section 4B in the by-laws. Minutes was accepted by Helen Johnson and Jane Hall seconded.

Banquet tickets are on sale for \$35 dollars and will be at all the shows.

Robbyn wanted to know how much money the awards committee was going to receive due to the fact they need to get moving on the prizes. Jane made a motion that \$5,000 can be spent on awards and Cory Bowgren seconded.

Mike Kalil made a motion that Hunter Jumper's May show be a 2 day show instead of 3 to save money and to evaluate the response for the 09/10 season. Cory Seconded.

Robbyn motioned to adjourn Ericka seconded meeting adjourned at 7:40pm

LCHA Membership Meeting May 06, 2009

Meeting called to order at 7:46pm

**Board members present: Mike Kalil
Cory Bowgren
Ericka Clark
Jane Hall
Helen Johnson
Robbyn Sellers
Jerry Jacobs**

Board members absent: Susan Chauvin

Mike Kalil says welcome everyone. Asks if anyone has any issues with meeting here at Famous Dave's, and that if we continue to have our meetings here than we need to have a banquet here to hold the room. Know one seemed to mind.

Mike told Lori Darr that Robbyn Sellers would send her a copy of the minutes that Robbyn was not aware that she had to send them to her to post on the web site.

Report of officers: Mike stated that this has been a trying year for all. That we inherited a lot of problems this year that we had to overcome. Mike appreciates all that we do as a club and the volunteers have done to help make this year a successful one. Mike especially thanks Jane Hall for all that she has done to fix the financial problems we have had this year. Mike also stated that the decisions made in the 2008 year for the 2009 year had effects that were unforeseen by the economic situation that we had to adjust this year and we will probably have to make further changes as times goes on to accommodate the never ending changes in our economy.

Mike stated that the Hunter Jumper may show was going to be a 1 day show and a 1 day schooling unless it was going to effect the end of the year awards. Regan and the H/J committee will discuss. Mike says that Helen Johnson has been very good at fielding the issues this year and working hard at helping bring things together.

Treasures report: We are in the negative for the relief fund. The awards committee will receive \$5,000 for awards and we will need about \$2,000 to start up the next season. Tiffany motioned to have the relief fund put on hold due to the fact we are struggling as a club, all present agreed. Mike stated that if the need arises for financial help we can always address the situation then.

Ann Peters motioned to accept the treasures report and Christine Boll seconded.

Someone brought up the fact that we did not have enough first and second place ribbons and it was then Regan brought up that due to the fact we did not have

enough time to order ribbons at this late of a date we should offer \$5 LCHA dollars for first place and \$3 LCHA dollars for second place to be used next season. Ken Azevedo stated he does not agree with this because we will then be carrying over a debt which is part of the problem this season. Robbyn sellers also agrees with this. Cory says is there a feasible way to determine what we do have and how much we will be short on the ribbons. Jane stated that speed will be fine her daughter has agreed to turn in her ribbons to reuse. Mike Kalil says we should give them a choice. Regan agrees.

Lori Darr made a motion to use LCHA dollars for the May show in place of first and second place ribbons to be used next season 09/10 season. The motion also states that the first place ribbon will equal to \$5 in LCHA dollars and the second place ribbon will equal to \$3 in LCHA dollars. Jerry Jacobs seconds. Motion carries.

Performance show Helen will sell tickets and Jane will sell tickets at the speed show. Awards committee will meet at Famous Dave's on the 12th of May at 6:30pm

Mike says we will need a web mistress for next year because Lori Darr will no longer be working for LCHA. Mike also stated that it was an easy job and you will need to be computer savvy so keep that in mind. Ann Peters stated that this could be decided at the June 13th meeting.

Lori Darr stated that we are making a mistake by having the May show turned into a 1 day show. We are not giving them enough time to contact members and that some of them have already pre signed up for the show. She also stated that the Judges and Civic Center will have to be notified and by making changes last minute we are hurting the members. Mike said he disagreed with her. Jane said she had to agree with Lori on this and Susan Clark made a motion to leave the may show alone and Jane seconded. Motion carried.

Nominations for Board next season are: (so far)

Lynn Schinder – is not interested

Jerry Jacobs – is not interested

Robbyn sellers

Ken Azevedo

Susan Clark

Susan Chauvin

Ann Peters making a motion to separate LCHA inc. The motion stated that LCHA inc will include Performance and Speed and that Hunter Jumper would have to leave the club. The Performance and Speed division will include the PA system, Split ribbons, we keep 2 of the computers, and the computer program and Performance and speed keep the LCHA inc name. Hunter Jumper to keep jumps, trailer, ½ the ribbons, ½ of the money left over and 3 of the computers, and the timers. Jean Voll seconded.

Motion was passed with some saying yes, some saying no and a lot no answer. As of June 13, 2009 we will separate the club.

Tiffany motions that \$10 from the banquet tickets get used by the award committee to use as they seem fit for various expenses. Robbyn seconded.

Susan Clark motioned to adjourn and Jane Hall seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 9:28pm