
Maine Mavericks Board Meeting

Saturday, 11.25.2025

Marathon, NY Civic Center

Called to Order 7:15pm

Attendees

Alexis Ayers, First Foreman

Lacey Barton, Second Foreman

David McGowan, Third Foreman

Nicole Buckley, Treasurer

Teresa Shattuck, Show Secretary

Whitney Hibler, Recording Secretary

2 Year Directors: Carol Bridges, Jodi Brayman

1 Year Directors: Gavin Ayers, Mark Billings

Agenda

Last Meeting Follow-up


1. Meeting minutes from the last meeting are on the website if anyone wanted to read them in advance. Just to keep the time of the meeting short and sweet.
2. The Treasury report was accepted and noted for record.
3. Old business.

New Business

1. Halloween Fun show
 2. Mission grow performance
 3. Mission grow gymkhana
 4. Grant update
 5. Elections
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Notes

1. The Halloween fun show was a hit! Lots of people showed up and had fun. Profit from the day was \$1,107.
2. Mission Grow Performance
 - a. Before this season started we were all worried about what was going to become of the performance shows. Between show attendances being low and support from members lacking, we were just getting by. Nobody wanted to see the performance shows go away or drastically change and we tried really hard to build it up this year. Now at the end of the season, reflecting we did have a number of performance members either fill a spot on the board or showed up at meetings and/or helped at shows. We are calling that a BIG win and really hoping the momentum keeps going.
 - b. It was proposed at the last meeting of dividing up the board to make sure there is even support for performance and gymkhana. Instead of one and two year directions we would have 4 directors under each. Not in a separate way just to equal our support.
 - c. One of the things that has been hard to do is having the opposite show days covered in the office. With a gymkhana heavy board it is hard to have the office covered and board members still get out to do their runs and or make sure their kids/students are in there safe and supported as well. The pressure of having that covered falls on the same people.
 - d. Opened up the floor to members
 - i. It was suggested that maybe if the fairgrounds had stalls maybe more performance people would attend.
 - ii. Linea Depue works with the fairboard and 4H and mentioned they were talking about re-doing the Driscoll Barn but they have been denied for a couple grants and are in the process of filling out another one.
 - iii. If anyone has any ideas on how to get a grant or any funding she's open to working with someone to get that done.
 - e. We are meeting with Skylines Board to get some ideas on how they do their performance shows. They have great attendance and are very successful with their performance shows. We are hoping to work out some dates between everyone and their fairboards to get off the same weekend.
3. Grow Gymkhana

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- a. We would like to grow connections this year. What that could look like working with 4H, other clubs, community outreach, NBHA, possible use of the arena for other clinics and clubs as well.
 - b. Meeting with the fairboard for show dates usually happens in January. Hoping that we can get them in a little sooner.
 - c. Opened the floor to members
 - 4. Grant Update
 - a. We received the letter from the IRS stating that our Tax Exempt Application was received and accepted, finally!
 - b. This tractor is not just a piece of equipment, it's an investment in our future.
 - 6. Opened the floor to members
 - 5. Elections
 - a. First Foreman: David McGowan, unanimous
 - b. Second Foreman: Lacey Barton, unanimous
 - c. Third Foreman: Mark Billings, unanimous
 - d. Treasurer: Nicole Buckley, unanimous
 - e. Recording Secretary: Whitney Hibler, unanimous
 - f. Show Secretary: Teresa Shattuck, unanimous
 - g. 2 Year Directors: **Carol Bridges, voted in**
Alex Harmon, voted in
Theresa Yale, voted in
 Liz Reed, nominated
 - h. 1 Year Directors: **Jodi Brayman, grandfathered in**
Gavin Ayers, voted in
Brian Franklin, voted in
 Jennine Noxon, nominated
 Liz Reed, nominated

Action Items

- 1. It was proposed to buy a printer for the office to help with Treasury, passed with 7 votes through FB messenger.
- 2. December's Holiday Party welcomes in the new board members and says goodbye to the parting. It will be at Lippys Bar and Grill again this year. A plus one can be brought at your expense.



Next Meeting

December 20, 2025 at Lippys Bar and Grill, Greene NY

Submitted by Whitney Hibler, Recording Secretary

Meeting Adjourned 8:00 pm