

Elections of the MQHYA Director/Officer positions

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE ELECTION PROCESS HAS CHANGED

Congratulations on your decision to run for a Director's position on the MQHYA board! We are excited you want to be more involved with the youth association in Michigan and have the desire to take on a more active role in the association. This is an enormous responsibility that will take a great deal of time, responsibility and commitment, however being a Director is a very fun and rewarding experience.

Check your eligibility to be an officer or director. Do you qualify?

- ❖ Current AQHYA member in good standing
- ❖ Current MQHYA member in good standing
- ❖ Reside in Michigan
- ❖ Must be at least 13 to run for an officer position

Complete the following information and submit by November 3, 2014.

- ❖ Application (see website)
- ❖ Statement of Intent- 100 to 200 words, "Why you want to be a director"

If running for an officer position, the above information must be completed in addition to the following information:

- ❖ Identify which officer position/positions you would be interested in applying for
- ❖ Resume
- ❖ Two letters of recommendation by individuals not related to the candidate
- ❖ 3X5 high quality headshot of yourself to be used for publicity

The identification of the desired officer position/positions, resume, two letters of recommendation, and the 3X5 headshot must be **mailed and postmarked by Friday, January 2nd, 2015 to the MQHA office. No emails will be accepted.**

Applications are being accepted for the following offices: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Reporter. Each office is a one year term with the starting date of January 10th, 2015. Election process of the MQHYA officers will take place at the MQHA banquet on January 10, 2015. The following criteria will be used to determine the election results:

- ❖ Each officer candidate will introduce him or herself to the general membership at the MQHYA meeting and announce his/her candidacy for office by giving a two minute speech (relating their leadership skills, positions held, goals and reasons for seeking an elected position) (25%).
- ❖ Interview with the Youth Advisor and two MQHA Board of Directors (25%)
- ❖ Credentials (30%)
- ❖ Prior year attendance at MQHYA events (meetings, shows, fundraising events) (10%)
- ❖ MQHYA vote (10%)

*If the offices are not filled at the January 10th, 2015 meeting they will be filled at the MQHA meeting the following month.

*Attendance is important, if you miss two consecutive meetings or three or more meetings you will be dismissed from the board.

*Open nominations will not be accepted at the January 10th 2015 meeting, you must follow the new election process to become a director and or officer.