



For those that are not familiar, I would like to introduce myself. My name is Stephanie Hollandsworth-Follett and I have accepted the nomination to run for the M.F.T.H.B.A. Board Position for Region 4. I was fortunate enough to grow up as a member of our Missouri Fox Trotter family. I am an enthusiast for everything Missouri Fox Trotter! I wear many “hats” when it comes to this incredible breed. I credit these wonderful horses for shaping and enhancing my life. I have even found a way to work the breed into my professional life (I supervise a 911 Communications Center). How? By completing extensive training/testing with one of my current show geldings to be certified as a Search and Rescue team. Just another example of how the ability of this breed makes the possibilities endless!

You may recognize me from the show ring, or met me on the trails. However, my proudest achievement is acting as an ambassador for the breed. No words can describe the satisfaction of watching youth and new owners thrive with their horses while achieving their goals. Spending time in Germany and the “Great Western States”, not only blessed me with the ability to educate new owners on the gaits and traditions of the Missouri Fox Trotting Horse Breed, it opened my eyes to the endless roles these horses are capable of outside of my own interests. I have participated in exhibitions and clinics around the United States and in Germany. It has been a privilege to spread the “word” about this wonderful breed.

I currently serve as the Chair to the Judge’s Education committee for the M.F.T.H.B.A., as well as I have served as board member for the Utah Fox Trotting Horse Breed Association. I have served as either chair or committee member for multiple horse affiliates/saddle clubs for interests including youth, show, trail, fundraising, and events regarding the Missouri Fox Trotter.



As I reflect on the past accomplishments, current standings, and future possibilities of our association; it is imperative that the forward movement is one of integrity, accountability, and with the ability to communicate. I have a “grass-roots” belief that to be able to move forward... you also have to have the education and experience that the past was built on. The M.F.T.H.B.A. is **our** association. Regardless of your chosen riding discipline or personal interest, being a member of this association brings us together as a “family” celebrating this wonderful horse. The importance of every member should be recognized. Working together is the only way we will make sure that traditions don’t just become memories. Structure and communication with transparency is the key to ensuring that all have a voice and are treated fairly. Addressing financial “health” is the only way there is a future for all involved.

I am asking for your support and vote in order to serve our membership. It would be an honor to bring our region’s voices together to “spark” excitement old and new. Our “family” needs to stand together to provide a future for generations to come. If you have questions, concerns, or ideas contact me at follettstephanie74@yahoo.com. Thank you.