

**Northwest Regional Horse Committee
Minutes
November 17, 2017**

1. Call to Order: 1:53 pm

2. Roll Call: Introduce yourself and which projects members are doing

3. Additions & Approval of Agenda: Moved by Kerra Collins. Seconded by Ken Moon, motion carried.

4. Minutes from Previous Meeting: Moved by Berit Wagner. Seconded by Loretta Martin, motion carried.

5. Elections:

a. Secretary (2 year term): Amanda Clarke volunteered. Kathleen Linder moved nominations cease, Leslie seconded, motion carried.

b. 2 Senior Members (1 year term): Take back to your clubs and see if any volunteers are willing. One name was put forward – Kaylee Abbott.

c. PEAC Representative (3 year term): There is a significant horse project presence in region so we need to emphasize this position. This position has some requirements that will need to be fulfilled. Leslie Majeau nominated Joyce Kelly, Kathleen Linder seconded, motion carried.

6. Old Business:

a. Regional Record Book Winners:

Junior 1st Place: Lauren Daley – Leduc – Rafter Ruff Ryderz

2nd Place: Rayne Wadley – Westlock – Double Diamond

Intermediate 1st place: Charlie Ference – Sturgeon – Gibbons Light Horse

2nd Place: Jazanne Cressman – Drayton Valley – Big West Cruizers

Senior 1st place: Carissa McGregor – Athabasca – Thunderin' Hooves

2nd place: Dalis Flett – Drayton Valley – Big West Cruizers

Record books were done very well. Carissa McGregor was recognized for her great work. It would be great to have a senior member teach how to's and tips on record books.

b. Focus Recap: Yearling challenge was great! We will look into a similar event in 2018 that would allow members to bring their project back again. The venue was good, but needed bleachers at the outdoor arena – which were promised but not provided. The pictures that were taken for members were a great compliment to the weekend. A new Focus Horse Show Chair was elected. Sonja Shank nominated Berit Wagner, Tracy Abbott seconded, motion carried.

7. Treasurer's Report:

a. Beginning Balance: 3694.45

b. Ending Balance: 3695.61

The activity in the account was for horseplay. Leslie moved her report be adopted as presented, Faye Sperling seconded, motion carried.

Our account will need to be tracked more by the regional council in coming years. Other activities and projects need to be more accountable for breakeven points so that no losses occur. We have done very well with this in past years.

c. Motion to pay outstanding bills: Leslie made a motion to pay the Horse Play expenses – a total of \$1834.13, Kaldonnan Hill seconded, motion carried.

8. Correspondence: Leslie made a motion that we reimburse Amanda McGregor and Amanda Clark for the cost of their registration fee - \$200 each – to attend a level 4-7 riding assessment clinic. Faye Sperling seconded, motion carried. We appreciate that these ladies attended the clinic, they will have a great impact on testing in the region. There is a level 1-3 clinic in June of 2018, we can send more people then. The possibility for a region-wide testing day for higher levels was discussed and the committee thinks that it would lead to a stronger way of testing these levels.

Regional horse camp – all levels, 3 days, lessons for higher levels. Investigate if we can do this.

Tabled to March meeting – Equipment rules regarding bosals. Review the ruling #1 under the tack section, bullet 6.

9. PEAC Report:

- Evaluation clinics in action
- Bit poster is out and can be ordered with supplies. Bit posters are to be posted in tack stores as long as they allow.
- Next meeting in February
- Working on youtube channel where videos would be posted to assist with knowledge and learning of horse basics and riding
- We need to reinforce that the basic fundamentals of 4-H are crucial

Corine Verbeek moved her report, Berit Wagner seconded, motion carried.

10. New Business

a. Horse Play Evaluation: This was the 6th year and we had record-breaking attendance (88 members and 32 adults). We are growing out of facility and would like to look into doing this event somewhere where we can bring in livestock, if you have any ideas forward them to Corine Verbeek. Feed store to your door was a great presenter who kept all ages interested.

b. Regional Horse Show: Berit Wagner was asked to have a plan ready to present for the March meeting. Discussion if those who participated in the yearling challenge can bring the animals back to compete again or if it was only allowed because of the centennial. Communicate with Sonja or Berit if you have any interest.

c. Educational Activities for 2017/2018: There was discussion on doing a level 1-3 assessment clinic and a region wide level 4-7 event to regain the interest of those in higher levels. This will ensure that they are learning and not always having to play the role of teacher.

Friendly reminder that clubs need to be represented at 2/3 regional meetings in order to attend the regional horse show.

11. Adjournment: 3:10 pm