

Northwest Regional Horse Committee
November 16, 2013
Villeneuve Hall

Due to weather and poor roads Kathy Corcoran is not in attendance. Information has been forwarded by text and email.

- 1) Meeting was called to order at 12:30 pm by Leslie Majeau.
- 2) Introductions - around the table introductions took place and a sign in sheet was distributed. Please see attached for attendance.
- 3) No additions to the agenda were noted.
- 4) Meeting minutes from March 23, 2013 were read by Lindsay Newman.
Lindsay adopted her minutes as read, Amanda McGregor seconded. All in favor. Carried.
- 5) Treasurers report: Treasurers report was presented by Corine Verbeek.
Balance as of September 13, 2013 is \$3695.72, the income from Horse Play has not been deposited and the expenses not withdrawn. Income from Horse Play is \$1608.00, expenses are \$1437.44 plus \$79.00 still owing from last year.
Ardele Nyal motioned to pay outstanding horseplay bills of \$1437.44. Seconded by Mikayla Dumas. All in favor. Carried.

Corine Verbeek moves that historical treasurers books are sent to NW Regional office to file as archived. The books for 2011 - 2012 and 2012-2013 will stay with current treasurer. Seconded by Ethan Nyal. All in Favor. Carried.

6) Business arising from minutes:

a) PEAC Report - Corine Verbeek presented the PEAC report. At the last PEAC meeting it was decided that there will be NO provincial horse show this year. This show does not meet enough of the "objectives" to be considered a 4-H activity. Unless this event is hosted by a secondary party such as Synergy it does not look like it will go. Discussion to this regard is on going. The Provincial 4-H has forwarded a list of objectives that must be met. PEAC plans on sending out information to clubs for feed back and to gain learning ideas and possible sponsorship.

Provincial judging workshop is not a judging workshop for members but a session for leaders and non-leaders to attend to better understand how to judge a 4-H show.

PEAC will have a booth at the Mane Event this year. If you are attending stop by for a visit.

PELF conference is February 21-23 at Battle Lake. Registration deadline is January 10 and you do this on line. So far sessions are planned for vets, farriers, saddle fitters, a riding session possibly trick riding demonstration. It is also hoped that a small version poster of the acceptable bits will be available at PELF.

b) Focus horse show report - This was covered this morning in the Regional meeting. The host location for the 2014 year is Mayerthorpe and will be held July 4 - 7, 2014.

c) Horse Play Report - presented by Corine Verbeek and Tracy Hughes. 79 members and 30 adults attended this year. There was a lot of learning about horsemanship skills and dismounted skills. They had a vet as the guest speaker. Profit of \$170.00. A grant for the region for \$300 has not been used. A suggestion was made that perhaps this grant could go toward a club that wanted to host a regional event such as a clinic or workshop. Any feedback or suggestions for the future are to be sent to Tracy or Corine. One thing they want to know is why do you members not come?

7) New business:

a) Record book trophy renewal and deadline change -
Corine Verbeek moves that we change the deadline for the Regional record book competition to October 1 of each year, books to be sent to the Regional office in Barrhead. Seconded by Ethan Nyal. All in favor. Carried.

Note made that Athabasca/Thorhild are book markers for the coming year.

Ardele Nyal moves that the FOIP form designed by the Branch be sent to all members and all clubs and must accompany all record books submitted to regional competition. Seconded by Shirley Donnelly. All in Favor. Carried.

A discussion occurred as to how much do we pay the markers for the time spent on our record books.

Ardele Nyal moves that we provide a \$50.00 remuneration per judge per age level, no matter in cash or gift card, for record book marking. Seconded by Lindsay Newman. All in favor. Carried.

Record book trophies require new bases and the small plaques that winners names are engraved on are somewhat different. Discussion surrounded updating the trophies or not having trophies and doing something else.

Lindsay Newman moves that we purchase additional bases for the existing trophies for our record book competition, with blanc plates on the trophies for engraving at future dates. Horse play committee will be responsible for the engraving of the blank plates. Seconded by Amanda McGregor. All in favor. Carried.

b) Emergency Response team at Focus -
Corine Verbeek moves that we table this discussion till the March 2014 meeting. Seconded by Ethan Nyal. All in favor. Carried

c) Trail obstacles allowed and quality of equipment -
Corine Verbeek moves that we table this discussion till the March 2014 meeting. Seconded by Ethan Nyal. All in favor. Carried

d) Provincial Horse show - this was covered under the PEAC report.

e) Horse classic - ???

f) Horse bowl - This is not going on. The 4-H branch is looking for a different computer program to host the program. Updates will come as to progress.

g) Train the trainers - this was discussed under the PEAC report as the judging clinic.

h) Attendance at meetings - as per our regulations 70% attendance is required at these meetings by clubs to participate in our regional show. We have tabled further discussion on this to the March meeting.

8) Elections:

- President - Ardele Nyal is new president by acclamation.
- Vice President - Nadine Hopkins is vice president by acclamation.
- Treasurer - Leslie Majeau is treasurer by acclamation.
- Secretary - Mikayla Dumas is secretary by acclamation.
- PEAC reps - Corine Verbeek, Amanda McGregor and Amanda Hughes allowed their names to remain as our reps.
- Focus committee chair - Kiera Collins is chair by acclamation.

9) Bank signing authority:

Ethan Nyal moves that we change signing authority on the chequing account at ATB by removing Kathy Corcoran and Jody Soetaert, adding Ardele Nyal and Leslie Majeau our newly elected president and treasurer for the Northwest Regional Horse Committee as of this meeting. Seconded by Lindsay Newman. All in favor. Carried.

10) Announcements/Adjournment - No announcements were noted. Leslie Majeau adjourned the meeting.