

Wisconsin Horse Council District 2 Meeting
May 18, 2014 4pm
Held at Rocky Run Tack and Trailer, Gleason, Wisc.

Meeting called to order by President Becky Myszka.

Those present: Chris Malovrh, Pam Nylund, Dianne Lazear, Donna and Randy Ryan, Holly McMullen, Lori Seliger, Becky Myszka and Marilyn Krueger.

Secretary Report: At the March meeting the Poker Run benefit was discussed. At that meeting it was stated that any profit from the Poker Run would go to a family that had a daughter killed by a drunk driver. At this time some of the members said profit was to go possibly to Pieper Rescue in Michigan. This correction was done to the minutes of the March 30, 2014 minutes before being submitted to the WHC office. After this correction, a motion by Pam Nylund and seconded by Donna Ryan to accept the secretary report. Becky suggested that the profits be kept within our state to a horse rescue operation. Most present agreed that keeping Wisconsin might be better. Also it might help getting funding from the state office for our district.

Director report: No director report given.

Old Business: Lori Seliger and Marilyn Krueger rented a table at the Marathon Co. 4-H Horsemasters Tack Swap in March to promote WHC. Some membership forms and different information for the WHC programs were picked up from their table. They both reported that many people at that Tack Swap were unaware of all the programs available from WHC.

Marilyn Krueger reported that another youth, Taylor Polka, from District 2 was a winner of a WHC scholarship for 2014. Taylor is a freshman at UW-River Falls in the animal science program and hopes to attend veterinary school. This is the second year Taylor has won a scholarship.

Lori Seliger spoke about contacting Ron Miller for information about insurance to cover the Poker Run event in September 2014. Cost of insurance is \$75.00 if the Poker Run is approved by WHC. Donna Ryan reported that they expect approximately 100 riders to attend. A \$5.00 fee per person, per day would be paid to the Lincoln Co. Camping fee would be \$20.00 for the weekend. Campers would be able to camp at the Underdown and at Rocky Run Tack&Trailer which is across the road from Underdown. Prizes would be awarded to the best poker hand. Riders can buy more than one hand of cards. Cost per hand is \$5.00. Donna has a waiver form that could be used for this event. Lori will contact Linda Ernsberger for more information. Committee for this event: Donna and Randy Ryan, Lori Seliger, Nicole Lord, Holly McMullen, Chris Malovrh and Marilyn Krueger. Members discussed how it might be possible to contact a group to handle a food booth. Suggestions were Stable Hands of Wausau or the Boy Scouts of Rhinelander that Pam Nylund knew if our District 2 didn't do the food or wanted others to help with the food for this 2 day event.

Discussion of the educational event to be held 6/8/14 at Liz Rice-Beula's Victory Lane Riding Academy followed. Marilyn contacted Ron Miller to inquire about getting insurance. She will have to provide information about what the intent of the event is and how many people expected to attend to get the approval to be a WHC connected event. Trailmates Snowmobile Club has consented to letting this event use their field across the road from Liz's place for overflow parking at no fee. Liz reported that she has been working on getting donations for food and beverages from her clients and some businesses.

New Business: Election for Executive Director, Secretary and Vice-President were held. Nomination for Ex. Director: Marilyn nominated Holly McMullen and it was 2nd. By Donna Ryan. Holly excepted the position.. Nomination for Vice-president: Lori Seliger was nominated by Donna Ryan and seconded by Marilyn Krueger. Lori excepted the position. Nomination for Secretary: Donna Ryan nominated Marilyn Krueger for secretary and seconded by Holly McMullen. Marilyn excepted the position. Officers for 2014 are: Ex. Director is Holly McMullen, President is Dr. Becky Myszka. Vice-president is Lori Seliger. Director is Nicole Lord. Secretary is Marilyn Krueger. At the November 2013 meeting Nicole Lord, Becky Krueger, Lori Seliger and Marilyn Krueger were already nominated and accepted their positions so no further elections were necessary per Becky Krueger. The only real position open to fill was Ex. Director position which Patty Wisneski resigned from in June.

Diane Lazear and Pam Nylund asked if a Run and Ride Event would be something our district would consider for an event next year. They reported that this event involves 2 people and 1 horse. They will bring more information to the next meeting.

Chris Malovrh reported that the Underdown Riding Club has an interest in applying for a grant for an obstacle corse. If granted and installed, Holly asked about a possibility of a cross country event then to be held also. Marilyn gave Chris Malovrh WHC grant information which is also on the WHC website.

Next Meeting: Possibly on August 10th depending on site. Marilyn stated she would contact Sam Scafidi of Merrill since he does have some background on Trail Obstacles.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Lori Seliger and seconded by Holly McMullen.

The minutes of this meeting were approved at the August 17, 2014 meeting. Motion to approve the minutes made by Nicole Lord and seconded by Dianna Coffin.