Wisconsin Horse Council District 2 Meeting Minutes January 30, 2016 5:30pm at Loz Mescales Restaurant Merrill, Wis.

Meeting called to order by President, Dr. Becky Myszka at 6:15pm.

Secretary report read and approved by Sarah Blum seconded by Sue McCoy

Members present at this meeting: Elizabeth Rice, Nicole Lord, Sam Lisack, Danica Paszek, Clara Krassett, Linda Mihalko, Kim Schueppef, Amy Kuebler, Nathan and Sarah Blum, Phil and Sue McCoy, Randy and Donna Lee Ryan, Holly McMullen, Roger Franzen, Dr. Becky Myszka and Marilyn Krueger.

Executive Director Report: Holly McMullen reported the dates for the Midwest Horse Fair on April 15-17, 2016. Also it's that time of the year to send your yearly membership.

Old Business:

Last year there was interest in having a driving clinic. It has been scheduled for 5/22/16 at Liz Beula's Victory Lanes Riding Academy at 1-3pm. It will be limited to 10 horses/ponies. Committee members are Liz Beula, Holly McMullen, Donna Lee Ryan, and Marilyn Krueger. Information and clinic sign-up sheet will be sent to WHC office to be posted on our districts site.

New Business:

There is the annual Horse of the Year contest with winners to be showcased at Midwest Horse Fair. Our district has one entry. Danika Paszek and her saddlebred Splash have entered. There was some confusion on entry requirements and deadline due to different dates and number of words allowed in the entry information. At this time it was reported that 3 horses had applied for this special award. All at this meeting wished Danika and Splash good luck!

Members would like to see the Food, Fun & Education Dinner held again. It had been held with a dinner and speakers in the month of February at the VFW in Antigo previous years. All members felt that this dinner was a great way to get information out to members. Last time held in 2014 we had 104 people attend. Members thought it would be good to have a new location and it was suggested to hold it in Rhinelander. Committee was formed: Amy Keibler, Donna Lee Ryan, Richelle Beene, Sue McCoy, Lori Seliger and Marilyn Krueger. Amy and Richelle will report back at our next meeting with more information about site where it will be held. Members felt February was a good time to hold this event so it is projected to be held 2/2017.

A youth clinic has been planned for 4/30/16 at Western Connection Ranch in Rhinelander Wisconsin owned by Richelle Beene: Clinicians will be the same as last

year: Richelle Beene, Liz Beula, Jody Zamzow-Woller and Dr. Becky Myszka. Cost will be \$25 with an audit fee of \$5. Committee members for this event: Liz Beula, Dr. Becky Myszka and Marilyn Krueger.

Interest was expressed with having a Trail Clinic and a riding clinic this spring also. Liz Beula has volunteered her Victory Lanes Riding Academy in Marathon, Wisconsin for both clinics. Doug Tooley from Green Bay was mentioned as a clinician for both of these clinics. Committee members: Liz Beula, Dr. Becky Myszka, Nathan Blum and Marilyn Krueger. More information will be brought to our next meeting on 4/3/16.

Officer nominations were done because some of the current officers have busy schedules.

The following members will be our new officers starting after this meeting:

Executive Board Member: Holly McMullen

District Director: To be determined at our next meeting

President: Marilyn Krueger

Vice President: Donna Lee Ryan

Secretary: Sarah Blum

A thank-you to all of our members that served as officers prior to this date.

Announcements and Dates of Interest:

Marathon Co. 4-H Horsemasters Tack Swap 3/13/16 at John Muir Middle School in Wausau

Midwest Horse Fair 4/15-4/17/2016

Randy Ryan reminded everyone that it's that time of the year to check your horse trailers for any repairs needed.

Meeting Adjourned by Holly McMullen and seconded by Sarah Blum