WSHC Meeting/Christmas Party on Dec 7, 2008 at Crandon Library

Sharon called to order at 12:15 PM. 15 people attended.

Emily read minutes from Oct, 08 meeting, Janice made a motion to accept, Bonnie 2nd.

Old Business:

Sharon, Carmen, Alan, & Emily reported on Summit Meeting in WI Dells on Nov. 15. . Learned that we do have liability insurance threw the council for most events; however insurance will <u>not</u> cover parades. We need to contact Ron Miller (treasurer) in advance of any function for coverage.

Council is putting together a show case issue in April for the Council Newsletter. We need to get any info and/or pictures to Janet from our past years club events as soon as possible, as she has already been compiling info for the March 1, 08 deadline. District elections are done in January, but take effect as of July 1 each year. Therefore, Sharon clarified that, although we just had elections in October, those were to fill vacancies. We need to elect again at our January meeting.

We have more insight, but hope to have more meetings so we can continue to learn.

Bonnie asked about money from fund raiser our district earns. Sharon clarified that the annual funding from the council is separate from the money we raise.

Sharon and Pat P went to State Horse Council meeting last month in Minnesota. Pat commented on how they spent 2 ½ days changing the name of the advisory committee to the task force. One example of the discussion was the dust control out west. Very interesting, with a lot of politics. Sharon said we should thank Ken Carpenter for joining the task force to represent our area.

Alan gave an update on work he has proposed for D2 Horse Camp 101 for spring of 2009. He had a detailed outline and will continue to get us prepared for this event.

Bonnie presented to Triple RRR club about insurance for poker run (this was presented before we knew we had insurance through council). They suggested we do it the same day as their spring trail ride. Then no one would have added expense, and possibly have bigger turn out. Sharon will talk to Ron Miller about double club events and responsibilities.

New Business:

Sharon needs budget request forms which are due in Feb, 09. Alan suggested a private meeting before next meeting, to avoid complexity.

Tim commented that we should do an annual schedule, so we can inform council of events/activities well in advance.

Our next meeting will be in Antigo on January 25, 09. Officers will meet at 11:00 AM for budget meeting and open meeting will be after 12:30 PM potluck. Emily will check into a place to have it at or maybe host it at their house. Need to discuss budget, review items for April newsletter and elections.

Alan brought samples of the trail markers from Rhino and another company. The Rhino markers cost about \$19.00 each and the others are \$15.00 each, with the costs declining with larger quantities of purchase. Reminded us that he is working with the Forest Service on funding these markers, but we would be responsible to maintain these trails. He asked for volunteers to build and place about 15 signs with trail maps for Popple Ridge Trails. Tim suggested we talked to different organizations, like high school, health care centers, etc, looking for projects to do.

Alan made a motion to adjourn, Daryl 2nd.