District 3 WHC June 20, 2018

Attending: Katie Bachhuber, Diane Sackett, Lee Sackett, Bonnie Shepherd, Jackie Schuster, Diane Sauer, Linda Ernsberger, Rich Ernsberger, Shelly Laing, Mike Laing, Emily Kamphuis, Landon Sackett, Rae Geb, Don Schwandt

7:05 pm call to order. Minutes approved. Treasurer report update by Katie Bachhuber

Ride D3 program – 4 people signed up so far, we need to promote and encourage more people to participate. Bonnie Shepherd will take info and promote at the Red Barn Blues event in July. D3 could buy a trail pass and give it to a certain "number" sign up. Vinyl stickers can be given for signing up, need design.

Ann Combs is writing an article about D3 and all that's involved.

D3 received a thank you from Dave Kluge/WSHCEF for the donation of gift baskets to support Winter Day in the Park 2018.

2019 Horses in the Park, checking on the chairperson for heading up this event.

Ideas for next fiscal year –

- Katie has reached out to 4H groups that could use support or help but has not received responses. We will reach out to some local leaders, and Shelly Lang has connections with some FFA groups and will make contact.
- Hammer In event, have some farriers be mentors to help kids/adults do something with horse shoes.
- Contact barns that might host groups to come to the farm/ranch and put on some type of educational event.
- Service/therapy animals Bonnie will make contact to find out about programs on training equine service animals. Start with a class room demo to find out about interest and progress to actual equine training.

Goose trail – Don Schwandt stated the DC Parks said they need help to maintain the trail. Don said the County will let the trail go dormant if they don't get help. Katie Bachhuber will contact WI Backcountry Horsemens group to check if there is interest to help. An idea is to sponsor someone from Friends of Parks to the WHC trail school, or get the trail school on the Goose Trail. Wednesday June 27 9am is a demo on the trail for a big brush cutter, public viewing welcome.

Next meeting – July 18, at Shelly Laing on Hwy E, Burnett. Always looking for new places to host. Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm. Minutes recorded by Diane Sackett