

**WISCONSIN STATE HORSE COUNCIL
DISTRICT 5
NOVEMBER 10, 2010
TOMAH, WISCONSIN**

The November meeting of District 5 of the Wisconsin State Horse Council was held at Mr. Ed's Tee Pee in Tomah on Wednesday evening, November 10, 2010.

Members Present: Mike McGowan, Don & Corky Smith, Joe and Clara Parr, Tylenna & Mark Kindschi, Lorraine Ruck, Linda Catherman, Larry and Adrienne Gage and Pat Jenkins

Visitors Present: Patti McGowan, Margo Miller, and Irene Ruck

President Mike McGowan called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.

Prior to the actual meeting, Mike McGowan and Margo Miller shared press releases and participant comments about the Large Animal Rescue Training that had been held at Black River Falls. The training was well received and more have been scheduled.

The minutes from the October meeting were approved after a correction was made that Don Smith had given a report on the Competitive Trail Horse Competition and not Mike McGowan as reported. A motion was made by Corky Smith and seconded by Mark Kindschy to approve the minutes after the correction.

Mike reported that our Treasurers Report was approximately \$31 less than the \$1,918.76 that we had in October or right around \$1887.76.

OLD BUSINESS:

Don Smith and Mike McGowan reported on ideas regarding a Competitive Trail Ride Competition between WSHC Districts with a possible Championship Competition at the end of the season. We will not hold an ACTHA approved event and cannot copy their events, however we will hold an event similar to their event with some tweaking.

Don and Corky have been in contact with other Districts and more meetings with other Districts are being scheduled. District 3 and District 4 are both showing interest.

A motion was made by Don Smith and seconded by Mark Kindschy to approve the payment of the get together from the D-5 coffers. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Pat Jenkins made a motion that D-5 fund the Porta John at Wild Cat for the 2011 riding season, Clara Parr seconded the motion. Motion carried.

A discussion arose regarding District 5 having a promotion committee. Don and Corky Smith were named co-chairpersons.

Don Smith has also volunteered to be our District 5 Historian.

Mike passed out a handout entitled "WSHC – District 5 – Horses 101". He listed 8 different subjects that he felt we could focus on for some mini seminars to try to gain interest in District 5. The subjects were Horse Nutrition – Hay, grain, water, Tack – saddles, bridles, halters and pads, Trucks and Trailers – what size and style, Trail riding in Wisconsin, Wisconsin Horse Show Associations, Breeds of horses and uses, Pasture fencing, Riding styles – English or western.

He wanted the members to look the list over and add/delete subjects and email Mike with your top 5 choices.

It was also mentioned that it is the time of year when we should be containing the Ag Departments at the local high schools regarding scholarships available to students.

Larry Gage made a motion to contact District 3 regarding a joint meeting and Don Smith seconded the motion.

Larry Gage made a motion that we do not hold a December meeting, Mark Kindschi seconded the motion.

The January meeting will be held on January 11th at the Hearty Platter at Mauston beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Mark Kindschi made a motion to adjourn and Larry Gage seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Jenkins
Secretary
WSHC District 5