

Fairfield Westchester PHA Chapter Minutes

May 11, 2015

The meeting of the FWPHA Chapter was called to order at Twin Lakes Farm North at 7:00 pm by President Ken Okken. There were 21 members in attendance

Naomi Gauruder read the minutes from the March meeting which were accepted as read.

Naomi Gauruder read the treasurer's report which included the prior month's transactions which was accepted as read.

Correspondent Secretary: Lisa Sherman stated she sent certified letters to Chase Meadows Farm and River Run Farm to let them know their Horse Show Managers must become current members in order for their shows to count for the High Score Program.

A thank you note was received from Fred and Susan Becher, thanking the PHA for their Aid.

Aid to members: None at this time.

Charitable Donations: None at this time.

Membership: Jorge Ventricelli, Alan Rheinheimer, Eamonn Gillespie and Nadine Jones were accepted as new members. An application for Professional Membership was received from Michele Grayson. Her application will be held over until the June meeting.

Junior PHA: Lisa states the Junior PHA members are set to run their contests for the May show and Kathleen Rice has volunteered to judge the trail/handy hunter class. Boulder Brook will be holding an advanced grooming clinic this summer and will invite Junior PHA members to participate.

High Score Program: Scott Tarter stated everything is up to date on the website for the members of the high score program. A reminder to show secretaries that they must email Scott the USEF results data file, hard copy results are not accepted. (This is for both the FWPHA & the National PHA Medal)

Horse Show Committee: Lynn Peters said the May show plans are going well and are looking for sponsors for the upcoming FWPHA shows. All trophies won over the past year need to be returned to Carla Sacco ASAP so the trophies would be ready to be given out at the May show.



FWPHA Website: Ray Molony has given Scott some archives to scan and post on the website. Lynn Peters also suggested we should research and post some of the older perpetual trophies with their history.

High Score Banquet: Audrey Feldman has been in touch with the Italian Center in Stamford regarding this year's dinner and things are well in the works. The awards dinner will be November 20, 2015.

Awards: Any suggestion of topics for the Jack Rockwell Award need to be sent to Naomi Gauruder or Norman Bray. The Greek Neff Award ideas need to be sent to Barbara Filippelli or Scott Tarter. The ideas for the Frank Flynn Awards need to be sent to Judy Richter and the ideas for the Junior PHA Walter Distler Award need to be sent to Lisa Sherman.

Art of Clinic: Chris Dwyer stated that the Art of Conformation clinic has been rescheduled to June 8, 2015 at Boulder Brook. Check in at 5pm, Clinic to begin at 6pm

Old Business: Gary Gauruder has been in touch with USAE pay to become our credit card vendor. We should be able to accept credit cards at the May Horse Show and will have the ability to also set up online features to pay for memberships.

Lana Ciaramella reported that the IEA Scholarship is in the works for the 2015-2016 school year. The FWPHA will award a \$1000 riding scholarship to an IEA member who lives or rides in the FWPHA area.

New Business: None at this time.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Next Meeting will be at Coker Farm on June 15th with dinner starting at 6:30 and the meeting to follow.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Naomi Gauruder