

Fairfield Westchester PHA Chapter Minutes  
February 20, 2017

The meeting of the FWPHA Chapter was called to order at Coker Farm at 7:01 pm by President Ken Okken. There were 17 members in attendance.

Gary Gauruder read the minutes from the January 2017 meeting which were accepted as read.

Naomi Gauruder tabled the treasurer report due to problems with the new online QuickBooks which are in the process of being resolved.

Corresponding Secretary: Christina Nastasi read a thank you note from Robert Mickayl thanking the FWPHA for his flowers. Lisa Sherman-Quinlan brought up a suggestion that the job of Corresponding Secretary should have more responsibility's and that we should look into programs that might help Corresponding Secretary do their job better. Any idea's please contact Christina Nastasi or Lisa Sherman.

Aid to members: Ray Molony, Artie Hawkins and Robert Mickayl have all passed away. Flowers were sent to their funerals.

Charitable Donations: Naomi stated she has started a fund in the memory of her dad to help people who are having a hardship paying for vet bills for emergency surgeries. Naomi asked for a donation for this fund from the floor which was voted on and approved by the floor.

New Membership: Melissa Hogan, a trainer at Revolution Equestrian in Pawling, NY explained who she is and requested consideration for professional membership into the FWPHA. Melissa did not have a completed form but Naomi does have a check from her. Melissa's membership will be held over to the next meeting for consideration.

Junior PHA: None at this time.

High Score Program: None at this time.

Horse Show Committee: Lynn Peters stated she received a contract from Wynatte Chu from Fairfield County Hunt Club regarding our June and August FWPHA shows there. Lynn stated the contract is basically the same as last year.

FWPHA Website: None at this time.

High Score Banquet: The banquet will be held at the Italian Center in Stamford, CT on the last Friday in October.

Jack Rockwell Award: Tabled.

Greek Neff Award: Tabled.

Frank Flynn Award: Tabled.

Walter Distler Award: Tabled.

Art of Clinic: Chris Dwyer still working on a IEA/IHSA prep clinic one suggestion was to have it on June 3<sup>rd</sup> at Fair Hill Farm in Easton, CT during the daytime. More to follow.

Old Business: Lisa stated she received 8 more ballots for the election of the board and the results were as follows:

President: Fred Schauder, Vice Presidents: Chris Dwyer and Lisa Sherman-Quinlan, Treasurer: Naomi Gauruder, Recording Secretary: Gary Gauruder, Corresponding Secretary: Christina Nastasi

New Business: Easy Kelsey asked FWPHA to place an ad in the GRTA Show Program. Naomi made a motion to have the FWPHA buy a full-page ad in the program which was voted on and accepted by the floor. Ken Okken was thanked for his service as President by the floor.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Next Meeting will be at Coker Farm on March 20<sup>th</sup> starting with dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Gary Gauruder

Recording Secretary