Fairfield Westchester PHA Chapter Minutes June 19, 2017

The meeting of the FWPHA Chapter was called to order at Coker Farm at 7:10 pm by President Fred Schauder. There were 19 members in attendance.

Gary Gauruder read the minutes from the May 2017 meeting which had a clarification was made regarding the Raymond Molony Award where nominee's must have recommendation letters from any PHA member only. The amended minutes were accepted as read

Treasurer Report was tabled at this time.

Corresponding Secretary: None at this time.

Aid to members: None at this time.

Charitable Donations: None at this time.

New Membership: None at this time.

Junior PHA: None at this time.

High Score Program: Scott Tarter stated the points and memberships are online and up to date. The floor wanted to revisit the idea of making all trainers in the high score program become professional members not just associate members as it is now and amend the online form to reflect this. Also, that the high score program bylaws need to be updated. Lisa Sherman-Quinlan asked Fred to have the High Score Committee updated as some of the committee members no longer are involved with program.

Horse Show Committee: Lynn Peters states the June show on the 2nd and the 4th went well but wished we had the Saturday included to have 2 full days of showing. Gary read the preliminary financial sheet for the June show which showed a good profit for the 2 days. The next show will be July 8th at Chase Meadows and during the June show Diane Cordon was hired as the FW-PHA trophy coordinator which Lynn suggested that the FW-PHA pay for her associated membership which was accepted.

FWPHA Website: Fred stated we needed to look to redo the website and also look at the cost of hiring an outside vendor to do it. Fred stated he was setting up a website committee for the new website.

High Score Banquet: None at this time.

Jack Rockwell Award: The essay on this year's award is due on October 3rd. Once again, the topic being writing an essay on "Which equine book, whether fiction or non-fiction, has inspired you and why?"

Greek Neff Award: Tabled.

Frank Flynn Award: Tabled.

Walter Distler Award: Tabled.

Art of Clinic: Chris stated she is still working on a topic for the next Art of Clinic.

Old Business: Ann Grenci stated 17 participants were chosen for a possible National PHA scholarship and 5 of them were from the FW-PHA chapter. The final decision will be made on July 1st who will win a National PHA Scholarship.

A suggestion from the floor was to have Phil Richter come to our next FW-PHA meeting in September to explore how we can better our financial investments.

Regarding the Princeton Equestrian League presentation from last meeting, Fred stated he found that Andrew Philbrick has been a NJPHA member for 30 years. Fred talked to Andrew about exploring the idea of adding PEL high score program into our shows starting September 1, 2017 but will bring the issue up to the floor during the September FW-PHA meeting.

Fred also stated we should send out email blast to our chapter's membership for the upcoming National PHA Finals in New Jersey in October to promote the finals.

New Business: Scott stated that on June 1st we lost Ian Tsukroff a dedicated farrier and longtime FW-PHA member.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Next Meeting will be at Twin Lakes North Barn in Bronxville, NY on September 18th starting with dinner at 6:30 pm followed by the meeting at 7 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Gary Gauruder

Recording Secretary