

**FAIRFIELD / WESTCHESTER P.H.A CHAPTER MEETING
MONDAY FEBRUARY 8TH 2021**

The “Zoom” meeting of the Fairfield / Westchester P.H.A. was called to order by President Barbara Filippelli at 7:05 pm. There were 23 members in attendance. The minutes were read from the January meeting which were accepted as read.

Please note, for all Zoom meetings, members will need to have their name displayed in order to gain access to the meeting. Four legged friends are always welcome.

TREASURER’S REPORT:

- The financial report was presented by Chris Dwyer and accepted as presented. A copy of this is on file with the recording secretary.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

- No report at this time.

AID TO MEMBERS:

- No requests were received at this time.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- No correspondence was received at this time.

CHARITABLE DONATIONS:

- No requests were received at this time.

MEMBERSHIP:

- Emily Voorhees Clark has been voted in as our newest professional member.
- No other professional applicants have been received at this time.
- Membership renewal notices have been sent out. If you have not received yours, please check in with Treasurer Chris Dwyer.

JR/ ASSOCIATE PHA:

- Due to zoom issues, JR/Associate PHA will not be meeting this month. They will be meeting next month.

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HIGH SCORE PROGRAM:

- Points are up to date within a week.
- As a reminder, we are now past December 31st, the grace period has expired, and memberships will be dated when they are received. Applications are available on the website.

USEF / USHJA COMMITTEE:

- There is new regional HU Course Designer information available via the USEF. It was sent out to our professional membership via e-mail, and is also available on the USEF website.
- Hunter Breeding licensing information has also been updated to include licensing via webinar. Information is available on the USEF website.

HORSE SHOW COMMITTEE:

- The schedule is set for our upcoming horse shows. Once the prizelist is approved by governing organizations it will be available to our membership.
- **If you received a perpetual trophy at any of our 2019 Horse Shows, please return them ASAP** to: Scott Tarter, Fred Schauder, Christine Nastasi, or Barbara Filippelli.

WEBSITE COMMITTEE:

- The website is in the process of updating as we speak. We thank some of our members for reaching out to assist in this process.
- A resource page for our website is being discussed.
- Venmo will be available for payments on our website soon.

HIGH SCORE BANQUET COMMITTEE:

- No report at this time. Further information can be expected as we approach our 2021 date

JUDY RICHTER ESSAY AWARD:

- Topic ideas for next year can be sent JudyRichterAward@gmail.com

NORMAN BRAY AWARD:

- The Norman Bray Award will be held over until next year.

“ART OF” CLINIC COMMITTEE:

- The committee is discussing a few great topics for this year’s “Art of” clinic and is looking into an in person or zoom option, pending COVID.

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GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE:

- To update the membership regarding the proceedings between the FWPHA and Naomi Gauruder, a default judgement in our favor for our civil suit has been determined and we are proceeding to a hearing on damages. Regarding the criminal case, the Greenwich Detective Division is continuing with their investigation.

OLD BUSINESS:

- None at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Westchester Agriculture and Farmland Protection Board has invited the FWPHA to join in their free webinar, regarding Integrated Pest Management presented by Dr. Elizabeth Lamb from Cornell University on March 2nd, 2021. Registration information was sent out in a separate link to all PHA Professional Members via e-mail. Westchester Ag and Farmland Protection Board hopes to have more webinars in the future. Contact information for Westchester Ag is: westchesteragboard@gmail.com
- FWPHA is working on a promotional poster. We hope to have it available to all of our affiliates to post at facilities, and horse shows.

The next meeting will be Monday March 8th, 2021 at 7:00PM on Zoom. Zoom Link will be available on the website.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Ek