

Fairfield Westchester PHA Chapter Minutes  
November 20, 2017

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

Naomi Gauruder read the minutes from the October 2017 meeting which were accepted as read.

Naomi Gauruder read the treasurer report from September 2017 to November 2017 and were accepted as read.

Corresponding Secretary: Christine Nastasi emailed pending professional members to remind them to present themselves at a meeting to be accepted.

Aid to members: None at this time.

Charitable Donations: A donation was made by FWPHA to Equus Foundation.

New Membership: Ryan Petronelli and Dianne Waller presented themselves to the floor to be accepted as new professional members. Their membership will be held over to the January meeting.

Courtney Albright was accepted as the newest professional member.

Junior PHA: Christine states they need Battle of the Barns Baskets for the High Score Awards Dinner in December. Also, the Junior PHA had a recent meeting where they agreed on having a 50/50 raffle and a "guess how many" contest at the High Score Award dinner.

High Score Program: Scott Tarter stated the points are up to date and that more entries to the program are coming in. The floor agreed to allow the 3'3"/3'6" medal and 3'3"/3'6" Performance Hunter Division to count in the program.

Horse Show Committee: The FWPHA Finals will be held on either September 8<sup>th</sup> or 9<sup>th</sup> and will be finalized by the horse show committee.

FWPHA Website: Scott stated the FWPHA website has been updated thanks to the work of Amanda Ek. Scott stated the website still needs more updating and any photos that you might have that you would like to display on the website please send to Scott.

High Score Banquet: The High Score Awards Dinner will be held at Ethen Allen Inn in Danbury, CT on December 1<sup>st</sup> starting at 7 pm.

Jack Rockwell Award: All applicants to this award must have all their paperwork including recommendations submitted together.

Greek Neff Award: The winner has been chosen and will be announced at the banquet.

Frank Flynn Award: The winner has been chosen and will be announced at the banquet.

Walter Distler Award: The junior PHA have chosen a winner and will be announced at the banquet.

Art of Clinic: Chris Dwyer stated the clinic will take place in the spring of 2018 and is looking for suggestions.

Old Business: The FWPHA turn out at the National PHA was low and was due to inconsistent dates and that the dates were announced late. The National PHA Medal is out of the USEF rule book and that the medal can be run at USEF and non-USEF sanctioned shows.

New Business: Easy Kelsey was recently recognized at the Greenwich Pony Club for her 50 years of service and that Kate Bykowski will be taking over Easy's position at the Greenwich Pony Club. Also, the Greenwich Pony Club is the largest pony club in the US.

The Christmas Party will be held at the Horse and Hound in South Salem, NY on December 11<sup>th</sup>.

Christine stated the NY horse council are encouraging participation and that they are now passing the 1<sup>st</sup> version of the inherent risk law.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Next Meeting will be at Coker Farm in Bedford, NY on January 8<sup>th</sup> starting with dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Naomi Gauruder