

Fairfield Westchester PHA Chapter Minutes
November 12, 2018

The meeting of the F-WPHA Chapter was called to order at Coker Farm by President Fred Schauder. There were 21 members in attendance.

Minutes: Gary Gauruder read the minutes from the October 2018 meeting which were accepted as read.

Treasurer: Fred Schauder read the treasurer report from October 31, 2018 to November 12, 2018 which were accepted as read.

Corresponding Secretary: None at this time.

Aid to members: None at this time. Fred mentioned that both Danny Fitzsimmons and Donny Hoer are doing well.

Charitable Donations: None at this time.

New Membership: Sarah Dzhus's membership approval will be held over until the next F-WPHA meeting pending a submission of her application.

Junior PHA: Christine Nastasi stated numerous barns have stated they are participating in the "Battle of the Barns" basket contest which will be held at the F-WPHA awards dinner. Christine states the Junior PHA also will hold 50/50 and Guess How Many contests at the dinner.

High Score Program: Scott Tarter stated that he has 80 entries into the high score program already for the 2018-2019 season and their points will be put up online the night of the dinner. Pat Gregory sent an email to the committee stating she questioned why the practical's give by Chris Dwyer are only offered twice and why they count for points believing it is unfair for people who can't make those F-WPHA shows will not be able to get those extra points. The floor recommended that we continue the practical's as it is now and not to expand it to more shows.

Horse Show Committee: Lynn Peters stated she approached Ken Markosky of Silvermine Farm whether he was interested in hosting the June F-WPHA show which he stated he was not at this time. Lynn stated she is looking at other New York sites for the June show.

F-WPHA Website: None at this time.

High Score Banquet: Lynn states the banquet is all set at Ethan Allen in Danbury, CT for November 16, 2018. Christina Schauder states we should have close to 300 people at the dinner. Christine Nastasi states the programs are being printed up now for the dinner.

Judy Richter Award: Judy Richter states the awards committee have chosen the winners of this year's Judy Richter Award for each age group. Judy states there were 26 submissions and each of the writings came out great.

Frank Flynn Award: Judy states the awards committee have a winner in mind and will announce them at the dinner.

Art of Clinic: Tabled

Scholarship: None at this time.

Old Business: Christine Nastasi stated she got one extra nomination for vice president which was Kathleen Rice. Christine will send out the ballots and they must be returned by December 31, 2018. If any current member does not receive a ballot please contact Christine at talloaksny@gmail.com. Wendy Pola stated that the Holiday party location on December 3, 2018 has been changed to the Salem Golf Course at 18 Bloomer Road, North Salem, NY at 6pm. Kate Bykowski states the National Pony Club yearly meeting location will be at the Stamford Hilton in Stamford, CT from January 30, 2019 – February 3, 2019.

New Business: Kathleen states she would like to see more transparency with the F-WPHA financial books. Christina Schauder received an email from Carla Sacco who wanted to know if it would be possible to look into paying the board and what to do with the money the association has and use it to make the association better. Ken Okken stated that since we are looking to become a non-profit organization, we will not have the money to use for things like aid to members, etc. if we start paying the board.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Next Meeting will be at Coker Farm January 14, 2019 starting with dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Gary Gauruder

Recording Secretary