

Fairfield Westchester PHA Chapter Minutes
October 15, 2018

The meeting of the F-WPHA Chapter was called to order at Coker Farm by President Fred Schauder. There were 24 members in attendance.

Prior to the start of the meeting President Fred Schauder stated that there is an ongoing inquiry of some discrepancy of the treasury books and that the Grievance Committee was handling this situation at this time. Fred ask that there to be no question from the floor at this time and that Naomi Gauruder was suspended from her F-WPHA membership at this time.

Gary Gauruder read the minutes from the September 2018 meeting which were accepted as read.

Treasurer Report: Tabled

Corresponding Secretary: None at this time.

Aid to members: John Scapelhorn stated that Donny Hoer was given his aid from Lynn Peters. Chris Dwyer and Danny Fitzsimmons asked for aid to members. Their request was voted on and excepted by the floor. John also want to ask if we can raise money for aid to members at F-WPHA shows which will be looked into. Reminder to all show managers who run F-WPHA affiliated shows that the show fees have gone up from \$25 a show to \$30 a show to help with the aid to members fund.

Charitable Donations: None at this time.

New Membership: Kelly Raymo and Audrey Petchek were voted in as the new members of the F-WPHA. Sarah Dzhus a trainer from Boulderbrook Farm applied to become the next new professional member of the F-WPHA and she was present at the meeting explaining herself to the floor. Sarah has to submit a membership form and her application will be held over until the next F-WPHA meeting.

Junior PHA: Christine Nastasi stated the "Battle of the Barns" baskets for this year's dinner will have a theme of any holiday you choose. Christine stated if you are committed to enter this contest to please email her at talloaksny@gmail.com or Lisa Quinlan at sherman9198@gmail.com. The baskets can't contain any free lessons certificate as a gift. Christine states the future Junior PHA meetings will be held at Coker Farm and that they are looking for new kids to join the Junior PHA.

High Score Program: Scott Tarter stated the new year's points for the high score program will be put up online the night before the dinner. Also like to see the updated High Score Program Points Rule book be put on the F-WPHA website. Scott stated that at the finals that if you win a classic the year before you are not eligible for the following year's finals i.e. if you win the short stirrup classic at the 2018 finals than you're not eligible to compete in the 2019 short stirrup classic at the finals. Scott also stated that the rider/horse combination must jump at the same height whether it is in the hunter or equitation divisions/medals at the finals. Example if the rider/horse combination is qualified for the 3' division/medals they cannot do a 2'6" division/medal as a warm up.

Horse Show Committee: Lynn Peters states that some of the 2019 F-WPHA show locations are set. The July show will be at Chase Meadows Farm, the August show will be held at Coker Farm, and the finals in September will be held at Gardnertown Farm again. The June show location is not set as of yet. Several locations are in consideration including Ox Ridge, Fairfield County Hunt Club, Coker Farm, Old Salem and Vail Farm. The decision for the June show location will be determined by the beginning of the new year. Lynn states that she has approval of the dates from all of the organizations.

F-WPHA Website: Scott states he has received 12 pictures to put up online for the website.

High Score Banquet: Lynn states she has been in touch with Ethan Allen Inn for the dinner and stated that this year the dinner will be a buffet dinner and will be on November 16, 2018. The doors open at 6 p.m., dinner starts at 6:30 p.m. and the festivities start at 7:30 p.m. Lynn states reservations must be made by November 9th and if you show up at the doors without a reservation you will be charged a late fee. Reservations must be made through Christina Schauder and that the reservation application for the dinner is on the F-WPHA website.

Judy Richter Award: Christine Nastasi states that no essays have been received yet and the deadline to submit an essay is November 1st. Applications are online on the website.

Frank Flynn Award: None at this time.

Art of Clinic: Tabled

Old Business: The following is the slate nominated at the meeting for the upcoming elections:

President – Fred Schauder

Vice President – Carol Molony, Wendy Pola, Scott Tarter and Lisa Quinlan

Treasurer – Chris Dwyer

Corresponding Secretary – Christine Nastasi

Recording Secretary – Barbara Filippelli and Gary Gauruder

Anyone wanting to nominate anyone else for any of the position please email to the Corresponding Secretary at talloaksny@gmail.com

New Business: Kate Bykowski stated the National Pony Club will hold their yearly meeting in Stamford, CT from January 30, 2019 – February 3, 2019 at a location to be determined. Wendy Pola states the holiday party will be at the Horse and Hound in South Salem, NY on December 3, 2018.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Next Meeting will be at Coker Farm November 12th starting with dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by: Gary Gauruder Recording Secretary