



General Membership Meeting

Saturday February 8, 2014

MINUTES

A General Membership Meeting of the Illinois Fox Trotter Horse Association was held on February 8, 2014 at Monical's Pizza in Decatur IL. The meeting was called to order by President Betty Ann Horn at 1:04 p.m.

Officers Present:

Betty Ann Horn, President
Tami Drake, Vice President
Cheryl Crowdson, Secretary/Treasurer

Board Members Present:

Hal Burgener Janet Burgener
Lula Robertson Jennifer West

Members present:

Dawn Marie Conlin

Officers Absent:

Board Members Absent:

Richard Black
Tara Surratt
Nora Washburn

Visitors present:

Linda West

Minutes of the December 6, 2013 meeting were prepared and read by Cheryl Crowdson, Secretary/Treasurer. Approval of the minutes was passed without objection after a motion from Lula Robertson and seconded by Tami Drake. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report was forgotten by Cheryl Crowdson, Secretary/Treasurer. She discussed the items she paid. Insurance \$404.00, Land of Lincoln dues \$60.00, Horsemen's Council of IL dues and IL Horse Fair Demo package \$275.00

Old Business:

- Board of Director Terms was discussed.
 - It was decided there would be two 3 year terms, two 2 year terms and two 1 year terms.
 - Here are the BOD and their terms
 - Hal Burgener 1 year term (second term)
 - Janet Burgener 3 year term (New BOD)
 - Lula Robertson 2 year term (New BOD)
 - Tara Surratt 1 year left (Current BOD)
 - Nora Washburn 3 year term (New BOD)
- One Board of Director needed.
 - Discussion ensued

- Mary Sartori is willing to do a second term
- Jennifer West was present and willing to be a BOD
 - Hal Burgener made a motion to appoint Jennifer as BOD; Tami Drake seconded. Motion carried.
 - Jennifer West has a 2 year term
- Activities for 2014
 - May Fun Horse Show - Saturday, May 10, 2014
 - Where? Several places were mentioned
 - * Nora Washburn mentioned Dark Winds Arena near Edinburgh
 - * Cheryl Crowdsen mentioned Coyote Creek Tack near Sigel
 - * Tami Drake mentioned Macon County Fair Grounds - no indoor arena
 - * Lyle Jordan will check on an indoor arena near Elwin
 - Betty Ann Horn was asked if we would be willing to have Tennessee Walker classes. Discussion ensued . . . Betty will email the person for more information.
 - Fall Trail Ride - Friday Oct. 10 - Sunday Oct. 12 Columbus Day weekend
 - Little Lusk at Shawnee National Forest
 - Betty Ann Horn will check with Peggy to see if available
 - Membership meeting - Saturday, February 8, 2014 at 1pm; Lunch at noon
 - Cheryl Crowdsen will poll the members (via email for those with email and call those without) to determine who can attend and where they'd like to meet.
 - Decatur, Litchfield, Shelbyville or Springfield are the choices

New Business:

- Update about Budget
 - New Insurance with American Bankers Insurance for \$404.00, not \$549.00
 - Land of Lincoln dues paid
 - Horsemen's Council of Illinois dues paid with Illinois Horse Fair Demo package for \$275.00, not \$330.00
 - Illinois Horse Fair full page ad created and paid for \$250.00 Emailed to all BOD - no corrections. Betty Ann Horn paid for $\frac{1}{2}$ page.
 - February 7, 2014 deadline for Queen Pageant - no Fox Trotters
- May All Breed Fun Horse Show
 - Lula Robertson said to be sure FUN was in the show bill so the feds will not show up. Cheryl had last years and "fun" is mentioned. All she does is change the date and location for this year.
 - Discussion about location. Have it at Coyote Creek Stables, Inc.
 - Discussion about the number of classes. Decided classes are fine. Lula Robertson made a motion to have keep classes same as last year. Tami Drake seconded.
 - Judge: Discussion about Andrew Mathias and Jennifer West. Jennifer would like to show
- Illinois Horse Fair March 7-9, 2014
 - Demos all 3 days this year and there are 14 breeds

- Demo riders/horses discussed. Cheryl mentioned she'd talked to Tara Surratt who said because of the weather she wasn't sure she could have her horse ready. Jennifer West said to tell her she'd do the canter. All Tara had to do was Flat Walk and Fox Trot and Jennifer knew Stretch is set in his gaits. Betty Ann Horn said she couldn't get her horse trailer out in order to get Diamond from Hal Burgener. She wasn't sure if she could ride or not
- We're decorating Thursday night at 6:00 pm for whoever can help
- Jennifer West will decide which organ music to use. She has already previewed two DVD's and received the other two at the meeting from Cheryl Crowdson. She also read the Demo Script and said it was fine. Just change the riders/horses information.
- Request black and white copies of the Journal from Missouri Fox Trotter Horse Breed Association for handing out at the IHF.
- Hal Burgener volunteered to help with the booth if he's able to attend. Tami Drake can help Saturday.
- Fall Trail Ride - Sept. 27-28, 2014
 - Little Lusk/Shawnee National Forest
 - Make reservations now . . . call Peggy at 618-672-4303. Rooms are \$55.00 a night, stalls are \$5.00 each, sites are \$30.00 a night with electric hook-up.
- Horsemen's Council of Illinois requested the email addresses of all members so they can send out their newsletter to them. Does the BOD want them given out? No because Betty Ann Horn forwards the newsletter. That will work.
- Skype if can't attend meeting? MI does - discussion ensued. It was mentioned you can use your SmartPhone to Skype too. Betty Ann Horn suggested we wait on it ...
- Cheryl Crowdson contacted "From the Horse's Mouth" magazine
 - Free club listing - sending Betty Ann's info; they have the rest, even our website
 - There is a calendar in the magazine and I'll send them our May All Breed Fun show, State Fair and Fall Trail Ride information
- Ordered the MFT Super Horse DVD to play at the IHF. Rick Gates said he'd send pens also . . .
 - Discussion: need to play the DVD on a separate player or part of the time and have MFTHBA promotional DVD playing at all times
- Next meeting April 12, 2014 at 2:00 pm

Lula Robertson made a motion to adjourn at 2:07 p.m.; Tami Drake seconded. Motion carried.

UPDATES TO NOTE:

Minutes are not approved until the next meeting we are just giving you time to read and make notes before the meeting.