

Illinois Fox Trotter Horse Association Minutes

February 14, 2021 1:30 PM

Conference Call

Call to Order by President

The meeting was called to order at 1:36 p.m. by President Nora Washburn.

Members present by phone: Nora Washburn, Cheryl Crowdson, Janice McFadden, Mike Washburn, Jennifer West, Audrey Aberle.

October Minutes

Nora Washburn read the August 9, 2020 Minutes as they were not available for the October meeting. She asked if everyone had read the minutes from the October 9, 2020 Meeting. Janice McFadden motioned to accept the minutes, Mike Washburn 2nd the motion. No dissents noted.

Treasurer's Report

The report was given by Cheryl Crowdson, Treasurer. We currently have \$1,279.77 balance in our account. We had 16 members renew their membership and we paid out to the Secretary of State our yearly dues and placed an ad in the 2021 Show & Celebration Catalog.

Our Clinic was postponed due to COVID-19 and no member trail rides occurred.

We elected several new board members and board of directors at our October 2020 meeting.

Motion to accept the report was given by Mike Washburn and seconded by Janice McFadden. No dissents noted.

Old Business

Clinic

We agreed to tentatively plan our clinic for May 15th with alternative dates of May 8th or May 1st. Jennifer West will see if Bright Star is available and if Pat Aubuchon is available as the clinician. We also discussed if Pat Aubuchon is not available having Mike Miezler host a Versatility Clinic. Cheryl Crowdson researched on the MFTBHA website what the Association will help with for clinic expenses. Cheryl Crowdson will do up the flyer and we will keep our cost the same as discussed for last year's clinic.

Other Fundraisers

We discussed putting the items we have such as decals, etc. on the website.

Insurance

We need to find a new insurance provider who will only charge us per event. Payment is due March 1st for this upcoming year. Mike Washburn state he will check with an associate from the county fair to see who they use.

New Business

Nora Washburn discussed the cost to use Zoom as our preferred method of hosting our meetings. She stated currently she is spending \$4/month for the audio calling system vs \$12/month for zoom. She will continue to pay for the audio service as long as she is president, and it is a donation to the club.

Cheryl Crowdson reminded us to join the MFTBHA.

Our next meeting will tentatively be held in person or by audio at our clinic in May.

Jennifer West stated that the St Louis Club is holding a show on May 22nd and Cheryl Crowdson stated that our website is updated with local shows. If you know of a show, please contact Cheryl so she can update the website with information and show bill for that show! Cheryl Crowdson also discussed the Indiana Affiliate and their fundraising techniques such as an equine message demonstration and Farrier demonstration with ability to book after their Show.

Janice McFadden talked about our club hosting a national trail ride and discussed how to make some fundraising money at the trail ride. Janice will be attending several NTR this year and will gather ideas and report back to the group.

Next meeting date

May 2021 at our fundraising Clinic. It will be in person and by phone conference.

Motion to adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made at 2:28 p.m. by Cheryl Crowdson and seconded by Jennifer West. No dissent was noted.

Submitted by Janice McFadden, Secretary