

DRAW Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Barb Gardner, Jill Feller, Jon Wagner, Maxine Bernsdorf, Carol Wagner, Katie Bachhuber, Linda Jacobson, Mike Bachhuber, Lisa Docter, Laurie Henschel, Ann DeLang, Melinda Stewart, Bill Suskey, Ainsley Suskey

Meeting called to order by Barb at 1:20. Meeting can be held, but actual voting items cannot be done due to lack of a quorum.

Max suggested that the minutes (found on the website) be put into the minutes.

Jill gave the Treasurer's report. Melinda suggested we accept the report.

Ride Reviews –

- Comments were elicited from the group. Discussion of weather restricting the season (usually May through October)
- Jackie Ohloff and Laurie Henschel offered to manage Northern Highland in the same Conover area. Mary Rasmussen has agreed to the location. August 26 -27. (Yahoo!!)
- The Suskey/Cotton family agreed to manage Colorama. Sept. 16 – 17 (Yahoo!!)
- Discussion about holding a “big” ride (FEI/National Championship type) Jill has an application on hold with AERC approval of a ride.
- Kettles n Bits – in need of management
- Drawarama – Lisa Docter would co-manage if able to ride. (Joselyn Seefeldt has agreed to manage and move the ride to the Southern Kettle Moraine) (Yahoo!!)
- Need to have people step up and fill out sanctioning forms before Nov. 30

Completions –

T-shirts and ornaments for Colorama and DRAWARAMA are ready to go for 2017. Ride managers should find their own completion awards under \$5 for 2017. There are still ornaments available.

Year End Awards –

Lisa Docter proposed a wheeled crew bag (\$48 – 55), or trunk (\$50) with wheels out of plastic for out checks. There would be nameplates added. Second idea is folding wagons. Seems like the rolling trunk was the most popular. She will continue to work on these awards.

Proxies for convention –

Katie and Jill for Kettles n Bits

Laurie and Lisa for Northern Highland

Bill and Pam for Colorama

Barb, Jon, and Boots for DRAWARAMA

Rates/Horse Fair/Flyer discussion –

- Rates for ride entries could stay the same if vet rates don't increase. Continue \$5 discount for DRAW members. Honor the ride certificates from 2016 in the new year since some were not able to use them this season.
- Continue the High Point Junior award in UMECRA. Approx. \$75.
- Horse Fair Booth – April 21 – 23. We have signed up and paid for a booth. Need volunteers to man the booth.
- Update the flyers and website with DRAW rides separated from the other Wisconsin rides, suggested by Laurie Henschel. Some confusion over which rides are Wisconsin rides and which rides are managed by DRAW.

Clinic –

Barb will check with Dawn to see if ApDra is hosting. If not, DRAW would pick it up. Bill Suskey volunteered to check on a place to hold the morning meeting and host the vetting session in the afternoon at their arena. Tentative dates – April 25

Membership Renewals – Max suggested we continue memberships

- Wisconsin Horse Council
- Northern Kettle Moraine Trail Association

Donations – tabled until Spring meeting

- Southern Kettle Moraine trails – last donation was returned
- Northern Kettle Moraine trails – funds being used to clean up bogs – new project is to make Forest/Crooked Lake loops rideable in spite of weather conditions
- Vilas County – bridge over boggy area
- Max suggested continuing the Novice entry donation to the Northern Kettle Trails dinner/fund raiser

Banquet –

Elicit suggestions for places to hold banquet. Fond du Lac area suggested. Building behind Rolling Meadows. Jill will check Bublitz's and see if we could rent the room for privacy. Max suggested bringing the suggestions to the executive board and let them make the decision.

Tentative Date for Banquet – February 18th or 25th (@1:00)

Website manager discussion –

Ainsley Suskey has agreed to take the position

Election of Officers –

All sitting board members have agreed to continue. Max suggested they stay in position until replaced.

Other Business –

- Mike Bachhuber – Would like to see action plan for safety at each ride. (Example – police/EMT notification of ride being held.) Suggests changing the bylaws so items can be voted on by the members in attendance, instead of postponing until a quorum is available.
- Linda Jacobson – Concern the vets have enough supplies on hand to treat equines. Suggest managers remind the head vets.

Barb officially adjourned the meeting.