

WHVPHA meeting minutes June 7 2021 at Willow Hill Farm.

Meeting called to order by Jody Moraski. Members present:

Jody Moraski, Mary Peres, Annette Mohr, Monica Rauschenbach, Denise Dahms, Juliet Charkin, Diane Hatt, Christie Barricella, Karla Barricella, Susan Clark and Debbie Norris.

Jody made a motion to accept the May meeting minutes. Motion was seconded.

Denise read the treasurer's report. There is \$24,560.20 in the cash account. The Vanguard account is \$73,385.63. Net income is \$3558.50 for 2021 to date. Jody will transfer \$18,000 from the cash account to the Vanguard account.

Committee reports follow:

The scholarship committee has received two applications, one from Avery Mills and one from Adeline McIver. Both applications were unanimously approved and each applicant will be awarded \$500.

We discussed aid to members but no aid to members was needed this month.

The horse show committee discussion: Splits: make sure splits are only done if there are 6 or more entries in the lower levels, and 8 or more entries in the upper levels. The judges should keep the cards open and wait to pin the class until everyone gets around. There is a need to keep some flexibility, in the event that something happens and there are less than 6 or 8, then half points are awarded. There was further discussion of the size of the splits, and we may up the split number to 12 for the child/adults. Will revisit this rule for 2022 during the August meeting.

Horse and rider combinations: only one combination allowed in the upper divisions. 1 horse per rider per class. There will be no sharing of horses in the same division. If the division is split, it is okay to share in child/adult hunters and child adult Equitation BUT if the division is combined then it is not okay to share. Reason being we don't want them to be judged against each other.

Host barns are to make sure the starter and the secretary are working together to keep things moving. It is crucial to have a really efficient starter. Make a big effort to have good communication between the judge, the starter and the show secretary. Danielle Moraski will offer to teach a starter clinic if there is interest. Everyone agrees there is a need for good starters. Pay is \$200 - \$250 a day for starters. Let's get together a list of 10 judges and starters from everyone and share amongst the barns.

Horse show banquet date is November 7 2021. WHVPHA Finals Horse show at Gardnertown will be on October 7 2021. PHA Nationals Final Horse Show is the last weekend of October, 29-30-31.

2022 show dates have been chosen. Monica will send everyone the schedule.

The group held a discussion of professional versus amateur status of PHA members. There are two members in question and both have been advised of the rules. This was also previously discussed during our May 3 2021 meeting.

There is a horse show evaluation form up on the WHVPHA website. The form is intended to be filled out by horse show participants. The form can be filled out anonymously. It is for our eyes only and we hope that the responses help improve the horse show experience for our participants. We can discuss the

responses as a group BUT we do not have to act on anything. There have been a couple of evaluations submitted so far. All agreed to give it a try.

New business: none.

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting will be on July 26 2021 at Monica's house.

Respectfully submitted,

Juliet Charkin

Recording Secretary