WHVPHA Zoom meeting minutes April 27 2020

Called to order. Members present:

Mary Peres

Susan Clark

Gary Clark

Jody Moraski

Debbie Norris

Monica Rauschenbach

Christie Barricella

Nicole Peres

Denise Dahms

Annette Mohr

Juliet Charkin

Trish Dencker

Diane Hatt

Karla Barricella

President Jody Moraski called first order of business to confirm the slate of officers. Unanimously approved.

Members discussed when and how to run horse shows in accordance with covid-19 guidelines.

The following suggestions were made:

Pre-entries required. Trainers to collect entry fees beforehand to bring to show secretary. No one to come into the secretary’s office.

Schedule each barn to show during a specific time slot and delegate parking areas for each barn. Limit classes to PHA and M & S only. Will judges be able to keep up with open cards? Weather could cause problems with this plan since it is possible that a storm can come up and disrupt the day.

Have parents drive kids and stay in car instead of spectating.

Require mask wearing for everyone except while showing

Require social distancing of 6 feet or more

Prohibit spectators

Take everyone’s temperature as they arrive (will require purchase of digital forehead thermometer, approx. $100)

No food concessions

Establish Sanitation stations and porta potty cleaning/disinfecting protocols

Debbie Norris has determined that Brook Edge Farms May 16 2020 show will be canceled.

Susan Clark stated that Lucky C Stables May 31 2020 show may be canceled. Possibly will reschedule for a weekday in August.

Deadline to apply for scholarships has been extended until May 31 2020. Mary Peres will send an email reminder to everyone.

Denise Dahms, treasurer, reported that the WHVPHA has $14,000 in the bank account.

There was also a discussion of the NYS farm workers retention tax credit being available.

Will reconvene in May to assess current covid-19 guidelines and determine when horse shows can be held again and under what conditions and safeguards.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Juliet Charkin, recording secretary