

## Minutes to WDMS January Meeting 2015

The January meeting was called to order January 17, 2015, by President, Leslie Schmidt at 11:50AM after the annual potluck lunch. Copies of the minutes from the January 2014 meeting were distributed to the members present and a motion was made by Dian Pinney and seconded by Dave McNamara to approve the minutes as printed

Copies of the September 2014 minutes were also distributed to present members and a motion was made by Dianne Pinney and seconded by Susanne Fuller to approve the minutes as printed.

Copies of the treasurer's report and ledger were passed around to those members present showing the end of the year 2014 totals and the beginning of 2015.

Old Business:

### Midwest Horse Fair

Leslie Schmidt reported on this year's Midwest Horse Fair and noted that the stall fees have increased by \$10 per stall and the camping fees have increased by \$5 per night. There have also been some rule changes with the new facility. It was decided that the club should use some of the monies allocated to the trail rides for the Horse Fair to help defray the costs of the Horse Fair to those members participating. This would be done after first deducting any other club expenses relating to the Horse Fair. Dave McNamara made a motion, seconded by John Jazdzewski to use the \$450 for the Horse Fair expenses.

It was also decided that those members bringing animals must have their stall fees paid to the Treasurer of WDMS by the first week in March in order for them to participate in the Horse Fair demonstration. A motion was made by Don Smith, seconded by Pat McNamara to so order this decision.

### WDMS State Show

Dannon Milton and Dian Pinney have been appointed as the show chairwomen for the State Show being held June 27th and 28th at the Heartland Stables in Custer Wisconsin. A copy of the show bill for this show was passed to each member and a report was also given about the 2014 show. It made a profit of \$331.32.

A motion was made by Don Smith and seconded by Dian Pinney to change the current class rule to read as follows: 'It is now acceptable for one animal to be used by more than one exhibitor to compete for high point as long as the exhibitors are in different age divisions'.

Also ways to make the show more affordable were discussed and one decision was to lessen the cost of the ribbons. A very thorough explanation of the classes was given by Dannon Milton and the reason for some of the class changes explained and agreed upon.

### Webmaster Report

Cliff Nieuwenhuis, our webmaster made the suggestion that members can make submissions to him for the website to keep the information up to date. The minutes of the previous meetings as well as some of the older newsletters will be published on the site. Those minutes not approved will be designated as such. Diane Pinney made the motion and John Jazdzewski seconded to accept and execute those suggestions.

### Trail Ride Dates

The spring trail ride will be held at Ukarydee on May 16<sup>th</sup>

The fall trail ride will be held at Nine Mile Resort in White Lake, WI on September 19<sup>th</sup>.

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Dian Pinney gave a library report and mentioned that we are accepting donations to WDMS of materials that are equine related (books or dvds) to loan out for our members.

### Meeting Dates for 2015

It was decided that our midyear meeting will be held at the spring trail ride at Ukarydee camp ground, May 16<sup>th</sup> at 5pm. Those members and guests not participating in the trail ride are certainly welcome to attend and gather around the campfire afterwards.

The January meeting will be held at the Westfield Library, January 16<sup>th</sup> for a potluck at 11am with meeting to follow.

### New Business:

Dave McNamara suggested that we have a brochure printed and available for members to hand out to advertise our club and attract new members. Our webmaster Cliff Nieuwenhuis will make the current brochure available as a down loadable document for members to print out as needed.

### Appointments and Election of Directors/Officers

The changes of current appointments and election terms are as follows:

Vice President: Karie Bagley

Secretary/Treasurer to finish term (Pat McNamara is moving out of state) Dian Pinney

Director: Jill Coussens

Director: John Jazdzewski

Director: Dannon Milton

Janie Besel has been appointed by the president, Leslie Schmidt to become the new Newsletter Editor and has accepted that position.

Motion was made to adjourn by Mike Schnell and seconded by Don Smith. Meeting adjourned at

2:35pm

Respectfully submitted,

Pat McNamara

Outgoing secretary.