

Wisconsin Donkey and Mule Society (WDMS)

Swampside Bar & Grill Endeavor, WI

January 20th, 2018

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jerry Heinrich, Chuck Gross, Diane Gross, Darby Fuller, Don Smith, Matt Pinney, Walt Coussens, Jill Coussens, Kelly Hayes, John Jazdzewski, Sue Jazdzewski, Karen Sommers, John Jones, Cliff Nieuwenhuis, Kathy Wendland, Cynthia McManus, William Dobbs, Kari Rataczak, Leslie Schmidt, Dian Pinney, Dannon Milton.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Leslie Schmidt at 11:58 AM.

MINUTES: Copies of the May 20, 2017 meeting minutes were distributed and read. It was motioned by Dian Pinney to accept the minutes as presented. Cynthia McManus seconded. Approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Copies of the 2017 WDMS Ledger were distributed. Final total for 2017 was \$2,883.41. Dannon Milton proposed switching to on-line banking which would eliminate the \$5/month paper bank statement fee. It was agreed that the bank statements could be switched to e-mail. Cynthia McManus also suggested that the club look for better rates at other local banks.

MIDWEST HORSE FAIR REPORT: Leslie Schmidt passed out the 2017 MHF scores for demo and stalls. It was agreed that there should be a more uniform look for the club while performing in the demos. Going back to red, white and black dress code was suggested. It was also suggested that obstacles may be used for the entertainment portion of the demos.

FUN SHOW REPORT: Dian Pinney reported that the 2017 Fun Show that was scheduled for July 15th, 2017 in Westfield was canceled due to lack of volunteers and a laser timer.

LIBRARY REVIEW: Dian Pinney listed the new Ty Evans DVD's that have been added to the library. She also went through the process of renting a book or DVD from the library.

WEBMASTER REPORT: Cliff Nieuwenhuis reported that the WDMS website is being used less than our club Facebook page. He is also asking members to send him articles and specific pictures.

NEWSLETTER: If anyone has ideas for articles or material they think should be shared with the club (ex: recipes, trail rides, etc.) please contact Leslie Schmidt.

SPRING TRAIL RIDE: Ukarydee Equestrian Campground in Arkdale, WI- May 12, 2018

FALL TRAIL RIDE: Nine Mile All Sport Resort in Whitelake, WI-September 15, 2018 (Alternate date Sept. 8th)

MID YEAR MEETING: Ukarydee Equestrian Campground in Arkdale, WI- May 12, 2018 4:30 PM

2019 MEETING: January 19,2019 at the Swampside Bar & Grill- Lunch at 11 AM- Meeting to follow.

NEW BUSINESS: It was proposed by our Midwest Horse Fair Coordinator, Leslie Schmidt, that the club starts selling T-Shirts at the 2018 Midwest Horse Fair. Jill Coussens motioned for a \$550 cap for buying the T-shirts and John Jones seconded. Approved.

2018 ELECTION RESULTS

PRESIDENT: Leslie Schmidt was nominated for another term by John Jazdzewski and John Jones seconded. Approved.

SECRETARY-TREASURER: Dannon Milton was nominated for another term by Dian Pinney and Kari Rataczak seconded. Approved.

DIRECTORS: Darby Fuller was nominated by Dannon Milton. Dian Pinney Seconded. Approved. Dian Pinney was nominated for another term by Jill Coussens. Dannon Milton Seconded. Approved.

ADJOURNMENT: John Jazdzewski motioned to end the meeting at 2:00PM. Diane Gross seconded. Approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Ty Evans Clinic September 21-23, 2018 at Ukarydee Equestrian Campground. Contact Leslie Schmidt or Dian Pinney.

WI State Fair August 6th, 2018-Contact Leslie Schmidt

Packing Clinic May 20th, 2018-Contact Robert O'Keefe

National Miniature Donkey Event Memorial Weekend- Contact Jill Coussens.