

## **DRAW Annual Meeting**

**November 4<sup>th</sup> 2023**

### **Hubbleton Tap Room & Grill**

The meeting was called to order @ 11:32 a.m. by Barb

Members present were: Ann Delang, Barb Gardner, Kim Fosler, Tracy Johnson, Scott Johnson, Amber Erickson, Brandon Brunner, Roberta Harms, Debby Weisbecker, Linda Jacobson, Jane Kirkeide, Beth Frieders, Melissa Coolich, Alice Hubert, Dr Ross, Nikki Boesch

By Phone: Devan and Tim Lewer

Guest: Laurie Henschel

It was discussed that we currently do not meet the requirements of a quorum. We will continue to discuss everything we can without voting

We reviewed the meeting minutes from the February 2023 meeting.

Ann reviewed the treasurer's report and questions were answered.

@ 11:38 Dr Ross entered so we were able to meet a quorum

Debby W made a motion to accept the minutes of the February 2023 meeting as is. Roberta second. Motion was passed with a majority vote.

Beth made a motion to accept the treasurer report as given by Ann. Linda second. Motion was passed with a majority vote.

Northern Kettle Moraine Horse Trails Association (NKMHTA) and Wisconsin Horse Council memberships: It was asked if we should still belong to both of these clubs. The consensus is yes, we should still support both. Melissa made a motion to continue our memberships with both clubs. Jane second, the motion was passed.

#### **Proxies for convention:**

Brandon and Shannon will be there to represent Prairie River Ride

Barb will be there to represent Colorama

Nikki has volunteered to be the proxy for Draw Finale and Roberta the 2<sup>nd</sup> person.

11:42 Alice entered the meeting

### **Silent Auction:**

Tracy made a motion to do a general LD/Comp Ride certificate and one Endurance certificate, up to the dollar amount of a 50-mile ride. The Endurance certificate can be used towards a 75- or 100-mile ride, the rider would be responsible for the difference of fees. Nikki second and the motion was passed.

### **Overview of rides:**

Prairie River Ride: Brandon reported that the ride attendance was good. They are considering making their 25 a 30 and the 50 a 55 mile ride for 2024 ride season.

Colorama: Barb reported that the turn out was good. They will continue to do the Sunday morning breakfast/awards. They are going to look into getting another camper on site for the vets so they do not have to rent hotel rooms.

### **Ride locations & management:**

Prairie River: Brandon and Shannon will still continue to manage in the same location

Colorama: Barb will still continue to manage along with Ann agreeing to co-manage in the same location.

Draw Finale: Draw Finale had a 1 year break due to the Distance Horse Nationals. It was discussed that Apdra will not be taking place in 2024. Barb has reached out to the sanctioning coordinator to let them know that DRAW is interested in taking Apdra's dates in June. It was also discussed about moving this ride to the Northern Kettles. It is a good time of the year to host a ride there, right before the bugs come in. The membership was in agreement to take the June dates if possible and move to the Northern Kettles. Jane has agreed to manage DRAW Finale, but stated she needs help because she does not have the equipment to put on a ride. Melissa Coolich has

volunteered to co-manage. Barb stated she can help with equipment. Debby has volunteered to do slave labor.

**Award Review:** Kim talked about the possibility of directors' chairs or vests. Vests seemed to be the more popular choice between the membership. Kim will look into the cost of vests for year end awards.

**Zoom meeting option:** There seems to be some interest in offering a Zoom option for meetings to help keep travel time down for some. Suggestions were; there needs to be a moderator, need to do 100% or nothing because of space and internet availability. Having a meeting Sunday after Colorama, but it was brought up that would not work because not all of the Wisconsin rides are done yet. Have an information meeting 1 weekend and a Zoom vote date. Look for a more central location. Melissa said she would pull data to see where the majority of the members are located.

Kim suggested we do a poll on FB or email with options. The options would be for the fall meeting only where we are lacking the numbers. Email looks to be the better of the two options to reach out to everyone.

**Spring meeting:** Tracy has a possible location in Ft. Atkinson. Amber suggested tagging on convention like Ahdra awards. Kim said that it would be very hard to find a time to fit in another award ceremony. If members could look into locations and report back.

**Beth:** Beth has brought up to the membership that there is some interest in a "non-riding/no award membership for a lesser fee. She is suggesting to call it a sponsorship level membership and still retain voting rights. It could be a way to get more members without any added costs. Roberta suggested that all RM's should have membership forms at their rides. Tracy made a motion to offer a \$10 Associate Membership which would include voting rights only, no year end awards and a trial period of 1 year. Amber second. Discussion was had and the motion passed.

**Clinic/Mock Ride weekends:** Linda is ok to do a mock ride just not the clinic part. Amber suggested mini clinics before the Novice riders go out. She had good feedback for the mini clinic from Bonecrusher. Jane said she will host a mini clinic before her novice ride. It has been brought up that we need to print flyers and get those to the RM's at the Convention.

**Webmaster Position:** Kim agreed to continue the webmaster position

**Election of officers:**

President: Beth nominated Jane. Jane declined. Devan nominated Brandon and Amber 2<sup>nd</sup>. Brandon with much hesitation declined. Jane nominated Tracy and Melissa 2<sup>nd</sup>. Tracy nominated Melissa- she declined. Tracy is now president

VP: Tracy nominated Amber and Nikki 2<sup>nd</sup>. Amber accepted. There were no other nominations. Amber is now Vice President

Secretary: Beth nominated Kim and Jane 2<sup>nd</sup>. Kim accepted. There were no other nominations. Kim remains secretary

Treasurer: Ann has talked with Shannon previous to the meeting. Ann nominated Shannon and Brandon 2<sup>nd</sup>. There were no other nominations. Shannon is now Treasurer

Points Keeper: Kim nominates Beth and Jane 2<sup>nd</sup>. Beth accepted. There were no other nominations. Beth continues as points keeper

Do we still approve of Katie being the director for the Wisconsin Horse Council with Tracy as backup. Yes

For Umeera meeting: Laurie is asking if Umeera could do a central coggins location? Are there any rules where there must be a paper copy on site?

Bring up no extra fee for same day entries. Look into incentives to ride both days

Brandon motioned to adjourn the meeting and Alice 2<sup>nd</sup>. The motion was passed at 1:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Fosler

Draw Secretary