

Elk-Beaver Lake Equestrian Society

Minutes of Meeting of Directors & Members

At 5500, Hamsterly Road, Victoria

March 11th, 2010

1. Present were Ted Simmons, Pam Nezil, Kristin Hoel, Claire Vessey, Berit Turner, Dianne McGuire.
2. The meeting was called to order at 19:50
3. Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes as presented – Ted Simmons/Claire Vessey. All in favour.
4. Treasurer's report: Lynn Husted reported that there is a total in bank of \$2265.50.

Since the last meeting \$35.50 in misc expenses including hydro were paid and a deposit of \$100.00 from membership fees was made..

There will be invoices for concrete and reinforcement material coming soon. The total is \$850.08.

EBLES will be receiving a grant of \$860 from HCBC Zone 2 and \$200 from Greenhawk in the next few weeks. There will also be at least another \$90 in membership fees deposit (1 instructor and 6 individuals - info from Dianne and Claire).

5. Business arising from minutes:
 - a. Poker Ride – suggestions of sponsors: Pam Nezil reported that she has asked Greenhawk, Buckerfield's & Victoria Saddlery for \$200 each. There was a positive response from Greenhawk, but so far no answer from Buckerfield's She had asked Travis Young, but it was suggested she approach Kate Erikson. Ann Bater will hold a raffle to raise the \$200. Ted has asked MCM Trucking for support.

Posters should be put up in stores and barns.

Ted read the names of past sponsors. It was decided that whenever a director has received a sponsorship gift, she should notify Dianne McGuire.

Dianne Rothern and Keven Matthews will take care of registration. Frank and Pam will help. Claire will photocopy ca 20 maps of the ride. Gate-keepers will be needed. Berit will look after the bridge.

- b. Bleachers – ICL has poured the concrete for the foundation of the stands. Ted has bought the necessities : \$816.48 for cement; \$33.60 for mesh; \$20 for a roll of plastic. The bleachers will arrive the week-end of April 10.
- c. Ring maintenance – Timothy Sorfleet will be in charge and take the responsibility for dragging the ring.
6. Membership – dues are trickling in. \$120 was deposited this morning.
7. Correspondence: Ted had received a letter from Brenda Robson regretting being unable to attend the meeting. She will, however, bring cookies & coffee for the work party. She pointed out that the bulletin board is getting old and needs to be replaced. The fence around the ring should be improved so that horses do not get their legs caught.
8. New business:
- a. Dianne McGuire suggested that EBLES should build bat boxes to control mosquitoes round the rings. Ted informed the meeting that boxes had already been installed and that there were bats behind the shutters of the announcer's booth. It was agreed that Dianne would build one more box.
- b. The question of instructors teaching at EBLES was brought up. EBLES does not permit instructors who are not members or who do not have insurance to use the facility for teaching. As there is one person who regularly teaches without following these rules, Pam agreed to follow up and research the matter so that it can be solved. The question was tabled to the next meeting.
- c. Dianne brought up the matter of new instructors, who may not know how EBLES functions and who may not yet have established a clientele in Victoria. She suggested they should be identified and invited to join EBLES, so that their information can be posted on the notice board. Dianne will look into this.
9. Next meeting: April 8th, 2010 at 19:30 at 5500 Hamsterly Road.
10. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 21:15 – Berit Turner.

Minutes taken by Berit Turner