EBLES Meeting – Minutes April 8, 2021

PRESENT: Dianne McGuire, Lara Wear, Laura Foxgord, Claire Vessey, Jennie Hutchison, Ted Simmons, <u>Kira Carnell</u>

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

Minutes were approved

TREASURERS REPORT:

- The balance as of March 11, 2021 was \$3,877.35
- April Balance- \$8,716.77
- Number of Deposits are 40
- No Expense. But an up coming Hydro bill.
- Jenny to provide a breakdown.

MEMBERSHIP:

 As of April 8th, we have 89 members made up of: 48 Individual, 5 Lifetime, 24 Family, 3 Clubs (VSC, Appy Club & LIEC); 4 Coaches, 4 Donation only and 1 Barn.

FACILITIES:

- There is no need to turn the sprinklers on yet. The sand ring is fine for now. Someone will need to check that all the sprinkler lines to the hogfuel ring have been capped. The water is not turn on yet but will need to be turned on for fire protection and to wash the bleachers.
- Plans for a work party
- Plans to cap sprinkler lines and turn water on
- Ted is going to talk with CRD about taking away the hog. What is our in part in it? When can they take it

Grants

- Telus Victoria Community Board- end of April
- Horse Council end of April
- Co-op -

Grant Applications to be done:

- Gaming grant- applications starting in June- we will need financials, they want ELBEs to raise 20%
- Bill Gates Grant- Need CRA # (Dianne/Jennie to provide)
- Lion's Club International Foundation

RENTALS:

• There are no rental prospects.

FUND RAISING:

- No answers have been received so far on the other grant applications.
- Poker Ride in the summer or fall possibly September or October, preferably September when the weather is more likely to be good. Depending on Covid Restrictions, Tabled for the time being.
- No Silent Auction. The goal is to get people involved and out to use the facilities.

Go Fund Me

- Jennie will talk with Lara about how money would be received from a Go Fund Me site.
- Set up account- Make lineable to Facebook
- Diane and Jennie to set up a short but sweet blurb on ELBLES
- Additional Advertising to different horse groups.

Virtual Ride

- Virtual ride between July 1 and August 31. It would involve publishing a map with GPS coordinates. People would have to take pictures of the locations. Due to safety considerations we probably should not require people to get on and off their horses.
- Members only
- Pictures could be of riding or walking horse.

TRAILS:

Ted said the trails are all good.

COMMUNICATIONS

- Jennie is checking the EBLES email regularly
- Lara, Kira, to site up instagram account, redo the facebook page (make posting accessible)

OTHER/NEW BUSINESS:

- Jennie has prepared the Annual Report to CRD and will email it to them. She just needs the email from Dianne
- Jennie filed the BC Society Annual Report.

NEXT MEETING: 7:00 pm, Thursday, May 13, 2021