EBLES Meeting – Minutes June 10, 2021

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

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

Minutes were approved

TREASURERS REPORT:

- May Balance- \$9,724.06
- Nothing new Expenses next month

MEMBERSHIP:

- As of June 8th, we have 99 members made up of: 56 Individuals, 5 Lifetime, 25 Family, 3 Clubs (VSC, Appy Club & LIEC); 4 Coaches, 5 Donations only and 1 Barn.
- Appaloosa Club has cleaned the lockers

FACILITIES:

- Sand ring is getting lots of use
- Can someone get the sand ring watered (get the sprinkler guys in)
- Jill Crow weeded the rings, and pull thetis, taken the creeping the blackberry out. Post a thank you
- No Work party- table to next month
- Laura to phone CRD about the disposal of hog fuel.

FUNDRAISING:

Total donations received from the membership is \$7,198.00

Grant Applications Submitted:

- Strategic Priorities Grant Community Well-Being, District of Saanich Requested \$25,000. Unfortunately we didn't receive any money.
- Telus Victoria Community Board Requested \$3,260 (Decision will be made by July 1st)
- Kiwanis Victoria Foundation \$5,000 **RECEIVED CHEQUE FOR \$2,500**
- Co-Op Community Spaces \$60,000 (Decision will be made by June 15th)

 Horse Council BC – Core and Regional Grants (Requested \$5,000) **RECEIVED APPROVAL for \$460 from Regional Funding & \$540 from Core Grant Funding for a total of \$1,000**

The deadline for the BC Government Capital Gaming Grant application is July 31st. I hope to start working on same shortly.

Letters of support have been received from the Hon. Lana Popham, MLA for Saanich South, Mayor Frank Haynes, District of Saanich and Lower Island Equestrian Club. Requests for letters of support have also been requested from the Appaloosa Club and Victoria-Saanich CADORA. Both of these clubs are working on same.

An email was sent to Dalene Paine, my contact with the Bill Gates Foundation but no response has been received yet. In light of Mr. and Mrs. Gates divorce proceedings, it doesn't seem like we will get anywhere.

- Gaming grant- we meet their requirements. We have to match dollar to dollar. We need to confirm the Capital Gaming grant- In kind of work.
- IEOA- we have submitted the jobs and some details.

RENTALS:

There are no rental prospects.

FUNDRAISING:

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<u>Virtual Ride</u>

- It is posted, posted on fb, and at ring.
- 1 person is signed up.
- 2 loops- 4 pictures plus one bonus picture per loop
- \$20 memers, \$25 non members

Silent Auctions

• Are better in person, perhaps in associate with a trail class.

Trail Class

- Laura to do a trail course. To confirm available dates
- July

TRAILS:

- The only thing that I had to report was a camper who was stashing a 2 wheeled cart with all his belongings in the bushes just beyond the Announcers booth this past week. I managed to get him and his gear out of there and was present when someone arrived to move him out.
- Some trails are starting to show a lot of new growth, narrowing them and reducing the headroom.

COMMUNICATIONS

- Lara is on top
- Updated coach list.

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OTHER/NEW BUSINESS:

• Thanks Claire for all the work.

NEXT MEETING: 7:00 pm, Thursday, July 8, 2021