

Vermont Horse Council BOD/Membership Meeting April 15, 2021, 7PM Via Zoom

Meeting was called to order by Heidi Krantz, president. In attendance, Robin Severy, Robin Simpson, Jean Audet, Heidi Krantz and Jeannette Cole.

**** something about Franklin VT riding club but didn't catch the details*****

<u>Secretary Report</u> read and unanimously approved.

<u>Treasurer Report</u> total assets equal \$14,606.23. Treasurer report accepted as presented. Fund raising from quilt raffle continues under Sue Esty management.

<u>Safety</u> – Jean met with Highway Alliance. They were very accommodating. The management of road safety initiatives is being handled by Laura. Plan is to get posters to driver's ed classes and to share the videos that were created with WCAX.

<u>Equine Impact Study</u>- Gloria Bruce made a graphic for the results and shared this on the VHC Facebook page. There were 1900 shares of the graphic.

Activities -

- Robin Simpson has organized an online TREC educational series with Jill Delaney for April 27, May 4, and May 11. A blog will be put on the VHC web page, and it also has been shared on the VHC FB page.
- The July clinic with Kelly Grant has been postponed until 2022 due to Kelly's inability to do the clinic in 2021.
- Poulin Grain nutritionist has been booked for virtual educational presentation on October 12 @ 7:30 pm.
- Kristin Haas, VT State Veterinarian has offered to do a session on Bio Security, but no date has been locked down yet.

Mission Statement refresh – Robin Simpson has begun crafting and has a good start. More to come.

New Business -

- Discussion about safety of horse driving on Rail Trails was held.
- Discussion about Board vacancies for 2022 need a Presidential candidate
- Discussion about volunteer outreach.
- Discussion about Community Facility Grant for trail work what is needed for equine trials
- Discussion about VISTA program for attracting veterinarians to the state.

Meeting adjourned at 8:22 pm – next meeting May 20, 2021 @7 pm Jeannette Cole, VHC Secretary