

BOD Meeting Vermont Horse Council

July 16, 2020

via telephone conference call

The meeting was called to order by president Heidi Krantz at 7 pm. Jane LeGard, Heidi Krantz, Jean Audet, Sue Esty, Jim Nickerson, Sue Miller and Jeannette Cole were in attendance. Sharon Stearns and Robin Simpson were absent from the meeting.

Minutes from the June 2020 meeting were read and approved unanimously.

Statement of Activity and Financial Position reviewed.

Heidi gave an update on the Nominating committee. We have five (5) names of prospective BOD or committee members.

No update on the Organizational Manual; Jeannette is working on this project and it should be done by the end of the year.

Tech Soup for QB is stalled currently.

Insurance Policy renewals are on track. The Officer policy has been renewed for 2020 and the club insurance is in process. The renewal date is September 9, 2020.

Promotion Committee Updates

Social Media – Jane gave an update for encouraging donations online. She is waiting for the last couple of items before going live.

Farm Show – Jeannette gave an update that the committee is still deciding whether or not to hold the 2021 Farm show because the status of Covid is so fluid. Jeannette will continue to represent VHC on the Farm Show Committee.

Industry Summit – Heidi reported that we will probably not conduct the Summit this year because of Covid restrictions and the difficulty with broad band coverage to do this event virtually.

Membership – no updates.

Newsletter – Jean reported that there is nothing new to report. Please submit articles as you think of them. September will be the next newsletter publication.

Equine Activity

Jim gave an update on trail workdays (next trail date is scheduled for August 8) and progress on District owners.

Service Committee Updates

Sue Miller gave an update on the refreshed ride and drive program. She has obtained all the materials from Brenda Lasall and we have 4 people apply for the program. Two of them are from out of state.

There was discussion about the scholarship applications, led by Sue Miller. **A motion was made to allocate \$500 to the Cliff Murray scholarship account.** The motion was approved unanimously. Jeannette will let Nancy know that the checks will be written, and she will send them to Sue Miller for distribution.

Robin was not at the meeting so no further updates on the bike safety postcards.

Old Business

Heidi gave a brief overview of the August face to face meeting. She will send out a draft agenda and details for feedback needed prior to the meeting.

Heidi gave a brief update on the Equine Impact Study. She will set up a meeting for the end of August to discuss how to leverage the study results.

The date for the BOD ride at Jane's house will occur on September 6th at 9 am. Jane will send directions to all attending.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Jeannette Cole, Secretary Treasurer