

Genesee County 4H Horse Leaders Association  
February 8, 2017 Members Meeting Minutes  
Executive Board Meeting 6:00 Regular Meeting 6:30pm  
Genesee County MSU Extension 605 N Saginaw St #1a, Flint, MI 48502

Meeting called to order at 6:24pm

I. Pledges and Roll Call

- a. Clubs present: Equine Excellence, Fenton Wranglers, Mane Connection, Lone Rangers, Genesee Equestrians, Genesee Chupacabras, Trail Blazers
- b. Clubs Absent: None
- c. Executive Board Present: Drew Mallery, Trinity Waterson, Anna Taylor, Cassidy Bartkowiak, Barbara Harris, Abigail Shock, Miranda Eastwood, Lori Eastwood, Shannon Harris

II. Thank Yous - none

III. Review of Minutes - Kirsten moved to accept minutes as read. All in favor. Motion passed.

IV. Treasurers Report - Shannon Harris

- a. Printed Report reviewed. Balance on hand as of February 8: \$10, 970.68. Treasurers report was filed.

V. Heidi Mudel Youth Educator

- a. April 1<sup>st</sup> is the deadline for online re-enrollment for members. Remember that you will not be approved until your \$10 enrollment fee is paid.
- b. If Members are not enrolled at 4honline.com and their \$10 enrollment fee paid they are not covered by MSUE Insurance
- c. Remember to use appropriate online etiquette when on any form of social media.
- d. Julia Taylor moved to "change the Genesee County 4-H Horse Leaders Association facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/152504664811369/> from public to closed." All were in favor. Motion passed.
- e. All public posting/advertising will be done through the 4H Genesee County MI Horse FanPage <https://www.facebook.com/4hgeneseecountymihorsefanpage/>

VI. Julia Taylor and Kirsten Lahti - report from January Judges Conference

- a. Fundraising ideas suggested: Class sponsors, Candy bar sales, pop can drives
- b. Julia attended a seminar on structural correctness and new ranch riding division. Feel free to contact her for any information/notes.
- c. Kirsten attended the show managers seminar where safety plans were suggested for: emergency situations such as severe weather, injuries to youth, parents, or judges, and biosecurity precautions including vetchecks, vaccination requirements, spraying of stalls for disinfection, and having veterinarians/farriers on call during shows.

VII. Artwork designs for the Sponsor Book Covers and Achievement Days T-shirts were submitted and voted on.

VIII. Committee Reports

- a. Cloverbud - Samantha Moody and Barbara Harris
  - i. No report
- b. Education/Fun - Jaime Beam, Ella Downey, and Sienna Lahti
  - i. No report
- c. Show - Kirsten Lahti and Trinity Waterson
  - i. Presentation from Kirsten Lahti on possible ways to save money/afford new arena costs. Presentation and will be sent out to all members for review.
  - ii. Lori Eastwood moved to "Change the Achievement Days dates to Monday through Thursday (July 10-13) when the arena and barns will be free of charge to GCHLA" All were in favor. Motion passed.

- iii.* Alternative locations were presented for use. Miranda Eastwood moved that “all research on alternative locations be submitted in writing to her by Wednesday February 15<sup>th</sup> so that all options can be presented side-by-side for comparison and sent out to all members for review before the next meeting.” All were in favor. Motion passed.
    - iv.* February Club Packets passed out to leaders
  - d. Awards - Kristina Jordan and Anna Taylor
    - i.* Awards have been ordered
  - e. Advertising - Samantha Moody, Shannon Harris, Cheyenne Mills, and Sydney Fish
    - i.* No report
  - f. Fundraising - Billie Mallery and Anna Taylor
    - i.* Sponsor Book ads are due at the March Members Meeting
    - ii.* All ads must be submitted in print and attached to a club ad sales summary sheet. No email accepted.
  - g. Show Patterns - Miranda Eastwood, Gracie Jordan, and Cassidy Bartkowiak
    - i.* Premium PLUS membership from HorseShowPatterns.com at \$50.00/6 months was purchased
    - ii.* Username and password for the site will be sent out to club leaders.
    - iii.* Will be planning to set up a meeting in February.
  - h. Sportsmanship - Kirsten Lahti and Lily Taylor
    - i.* No report
  - i. Grounds and Maintenance - Abby Shock and Cheyenne Mills
    - i.* Sign-up sheet was passed around for those who would like to help present to the parks regarding the new arena prices. Youth are strongly encouraged to lead and participate.
  - j. Genesee County Fair - Lori Eastwood and Trinity Waterson
    - i.* New this year: Coggins will be due at the time of preregistration. Horses will be matched to coggins before stalled. Preregistration deadline is Friday July 7<sup>th</sup>

#### IX. Youth Presentation/Updates

- a. Horse Judging Team - New coaches are needed for the 2018 season
- b. Drill Team - Drew Mallery will contact Kaitlyn Sallans to find out if she is still interested in coaching

#### X. Unfinished Business - none

#### XI. New Business -

- a. Miranda Eastwood created posters for legal/illegal bits to help clarify rules from the 4-h rulebook. Posters approved by Karen Waite. Samples of Saddleseat bits, Western bits, English/hunt bits, and Western snaffles and bosals were available at the meeting and will be emailed out. Gymkhana bits will be coming soon.
- b. Lori Eastwood moved to :hold a Special Meeting on Tuesday February 1<sup>st</sup> to finish discussion/voting on arena issues.” Club Vote 8 yes, 4 no. Motion passed
- c. MSU has Polo clinics available and will host private clinics for 4-H clubs

Meeting Adjourned at 8:24pm

Submitted by: Miranda Eastwood