Wisconsin Horse Council District 2 meeting minutes Sunday, April 6, 2025

Call to order:

President Shaughn Novy called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM. Those in attendance: Kevin Griepentrog, Patti Brockman, Lori Seliger, Carol Lese

Shaughn notified the attendees that there was limited time for this meeting due to the Zoom connection.

Minutes: Acting Secretary Brockman read the minutes of the April meeting. Seliger made a motion to approve the minutes as read with the correction of the spelling of her last name: Seliger.

Second: by Lese: Motion carried.

Novy explained the positions of Board of Directors, Kevin Griepentrog is a Level III Director, and Richelle Beene will keep her District 2 Director position.

Election: President Novy read the nominations for the District 2 positions and called 3 times for other nominations. Hearing none, the elections were held as follows with each person and position receiving a motion to approve, a second, and a unanimous vote:

President: Novy has agreed to fulfill her tenure as president, ending in 2025.

Vice President: Lori Sellinger. **Secretary**: Patti Brockman.

Education Day: Novy explained there is a WHC budget for Langlade County, options were discussed at last month's meeting; Seliger to call Liz Rice to follow up on the progress of the partnership with local stables. Seliger to report to Novy prior to the deadline of April 8th for the WHC grant.

Membership: Attendees discussed opportunities to increase membership.

- Booth & volunteering at the Caroline Trail Ride, October 2nd-5th
 - Novy made a motion, Second by Brockman to Amend the 2024-2025 budget to include costs to recruit new members at the Caroline Trail ride: table fee, prize basket, and flyers totaling \$150.00. MOTION: Carried
 - Also discussed was a WHC banner, WHC Handouts and member volunteers for 2- hour shifts.
- Other educational opportunities in 2025-2026 at current events scheduled:
 - Farm Technology Days is August 5-7th in Bear Creek, booths cost \$750.00.
 Discussion followed on WHC sponsoring a booth for all Wisconsin districts, and would require WHC volunteers.
 - In-lieu of a booth it was suggested that WHC sponsor a demonstration or learning opportunity in a horse arena on the grounds. Ideas include CPR training, First Aid for Your Horse training, etc.

- Members to distribute WHC information at local Horse Shows, and the Wisc Pino Association event, etc.
- Novy highlighted a newly formed 501C3 named Cowgirls for Agriculture Sports Education Inc., (CASE) and its upcoming "Challenge in the Pines" event.
- It was reported that Shawano County put in a new arena and stalls at the fairgrounds.
 - Lese shared Langlade County 4-H Horse & Pony and Horseless Horse news of Speed Show Dated: June 28th and Sept 13th at the Langlade County Fair Grounds.

Other business:

None at this time.

- Date of the next meeting is Sunday, May 18th . 2:00 pm at Black Hawk Hill and Zoom
- Zoom call and meeting ended at 2:38 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary, Patti Brockman