

Northwest Regional Horse Committee Minutes

November 16 2019

Villeneuve Hall

1. Meeting was called to order at 12:53pm
2. Clubs in attendance and approximate # of horse members in club

Gibbons (11)	Whitecourt (5)	Big West Cruizers (8)
Looma Lights (21)	Meadowview (8)	Rafter Ruff Riders (8)
Edson (10)	Camp Creek (9)	Stony Riders (2)
Thundering Hooves (7)	T&M (11)	RQB (13)
Blazin Bridles (9)	Lakewell (3)	Warden (12)
Strathcona (9 + 7 mini horse/donkey)		
3. Kathleen Linder moved the agenda be approved with the amendment to add Record Book committee to "D" New business. Faye Sperling 2nd. Carried.
4. Sonja Shank read the previous meetings secretary's minutes. Sonja moved the minutes as read. Kathleen Linder 2nd. Carried.
5. Treasurers Report
 - a. Current balance is \$2989.87. There has been no activity in the account for a extended period of time. Leslie Majeau moved her treasurers report as read. Georgia Frost 2nd. Carried.
 - b. Discussion - turning the books over to the Region
 - i. Money could be going through the general regional account. It is separated there and looked after by the region. No cheques have been written or funds deposited in the Regional Horse account since 2017.
 - ii. Why do we have the account if its not being used; option to close account or use funds towards educational activities.
 - iii. Recommend if it were to go to the Regional account, we still have a horse committee treasurer to keep track of funds and report back.

MOTION: Leslie Majeau moved the Northwest Regional horse account closes effective June 30 2019 and the remaining funds are transferred to the Regional account under the Horse Committee. Kathleen Linder 2^{nds}.

Discussion: Why keep it open until June, when events will already be done for the year and are already going through the Region.

AMENDED MOTION: Leslie Majeau moved the Northwest Regional horse account closes effective November 16 2019 and the remaining funds are transferred to the Regional account under the Horse Committee. Kathleen Linder 2nd. Carried. Non opposed.

6. Elections:

- a. 2 Sr Horse Members (1-year term)
 - i. Gene nominated Ainsley Henderson from Lakewell
 - ii. Corine Verbeek nominated Alex Purves from Rafter Ruff Riders

Kathleen Linder moved nominations ceased.

- b. Treasurer

- i. Joyce Kelly nominated Corine Verbeek – declined
- ii. Berit Wagner nominated Kerra Collins – declined
- iii. Evelyn Anderson nominated Joyce Kelly, Maureen Greig 2nd - accepted

Faye Sperling moved nominations ceased.

7. A. Record Book Winners

- i. Senior 1st – Tianna Frost Big West Cruizers
- ii. Senior 2nd – Alex Purves Rafter Ruff Riders
- iii. Intermediate 1st Rayna Matthews Edson 4H Multi
- iv. Intermediate 2nd Alynne Dostie RBQ Rnacheros
- v. Junior 1st – Kasidee Plotts Big West Cruizers
- vi. Junior 2nd Jenna Lawrence Freedom Naples 4H Multi

B. Focus Recap

All events ended up being held in the outdoor arena due to weather leading up to the event. Berit thanked everyone for all the help during focus. Focus 2020 will be a 2 day show instead of 3 days. There were only 40 horses for 2019 so they are hoping for a better turn out for 2020.

Asked the clubs attending what some reasons behind not attending were: Distance was too far, needed to take extra days off work, busy summer schedules for kids, needed stabling.

Need a new horse show chair by the end of November

Dale and Maurine Greig will help where needed with the Show.

Kerra Collins and Heidi Plotts will chair the show for 2020.

Make sure you encourage all members and parents to join the Focus on 4-H Horse Facebook Page. Lots of info and updates are posted on it.

8. Correspondence

- a. Reining Alberta 2020 Youth development – poster to be posted on the Focus Facebook Page.
- b. North Country Circuit brochure was also handed out

9. PEAC Report

- i. Nov 9th was the PEAC meeting. There is a new newsletter coming out specific for horse to leaders and members. It will include information on upcoming events, tips and advice.
- ii. There will be no election of new reps until their updated terms are released.
- iii. There was a proposal of new video streaming of the training videos
- iv. Calgary region is opening their Regional Horse show to all other regions. It's usually the long weekend in August.
- v. Corrine asked if there was interest in having a 1 day equine learning day: ideas discussed: Resource sharing day (Equine 101), arena with breakout groups and a rotation (2 day thing), how to assessment clinic, train the trainer day, or a combo of a few things. Corine needs help to plan some type of activities for leaders.

Corine Verbeek moved her PEAC report as presented. Georgia Frost 2nd

10. New Business

- a. Horse Play Evaluations – Joyce Kelly reported on Horse play, there were 76 members and 27 parents. Events for the day included 10 ID stations, a slide show and quiz on the horse show rules. Demonstration with Ken Schumlund on communication with your horse. Hands on demos (shipping and standing bandaging, vet first aid techniques and vital signs). Overall the experience was that it was a good learning day. Eventually looking at opening it up to the Province to once again be able to send members down to Denver. Next years horse play will be November 7th.
- b. Focus Recap was discussed in Old Business 7B.
- c. Educational Activities were discussed in Old Business 9 v. as part of Corrine's PEAC report
- d. Record Book Committee
 - i. There was a model record book presented at the general Regional Meeting. The province is looking at revamping all record books, so the new book will house all projects members are in without having to duplicate the same pages in each book, as is the current situation. This will make it easier on multi projected club members. These new books will be in circulation for Sept 2020.
 - ii. The Region is looking for 2-3 people to be on a Record Book Committee to come up with a new set of marking guidelines. Please email Leslie or Sonja if you would like to be a part of the committee. It will be primarily conference calls with an in-person meeting.

11. Adjournment – Loretta Martin moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:26 pm. Berit Wagner 2nd.