

## **WISCONSIN 4-H HORSE ASSOCIATION MINUTES AUGUST 22, 2011**

The meeting was called to order by president, Dale Bauer, at 7:40 p.m. at the Holiday Inn and Suites, Rothschild, WI.

The following directors and show chairpersons were in attendance:

Sandy Wood	Dale Bauer	Nola Stenroos	Janice Leonard
Sherry Helmer	Jolene Doerfer	Heather Marlette	Penny LePak-Fraser
Karen Torgerson	Marilyn Krueger	Karin Peterson	Lori Schuessler
Linda Wilkens	Margaret Halverson	Lois Mossholder	Kathy Pesch
Joe Pribek	Betsy Rohde	Ernie Anderson	Linda Pribek
Liv Sandberg			

Excused: Nancy Wakefield, Robert Housel, Gail Johnson, Jean Schultz.

Absent: Julia Lepinski, Nancy Kissel.

The pledges were led by Dale Bauer.

**Agenda Approval:** It was requested that Hunt/Dressage and Judge's committee reports be added to the agenda. Karen Torgerson made a motion to accept the agenda with additions and seconded by Jolene Doerfer. Motion carried.

**January 2011 Minutes:** A motion was made by Karen Torgerson and seconded by Karin Peterson to accept the minutes. Motion carried.

**Correspondence:** Thank you notes were received from Hilary Younglove, IL for Eastern National 4-H Horse Round-up, Polk County Horse and Pony project for the Tammy Whyte Barrel and Pole Clinic, and the following for scholarships: Mandi Pesch, Rhea Brown, Danielle Jackson, and Hannah Ruetten. We received the annual report from the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sherry Helmer gave us her report. A motion was made by Janice Leonard and seconded by Jolene Doerfer to accept the report. Motion carried.

**Executive Secretary's Report:** Five \$1000 scholarship were given out from the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation. Recipients were Rhea Brown, Danielle Jackson, Mandi Pesch, Rachael Ziesmann, and Hannah Ruetten.

The premises ID number is still required.

The photographer for Hunt/Dressage and Gymkhana has informed us that she would like a year off. She is still planning on doing 2012.

Tracy Tornow of Equine Designs has sent us a proposal for Expo. She proposes a \$500 donation to us and to speak at 4-H Horse Leaders Conference in November. She would like a 3-5 year contract. She would be willing to do Hunt/Dressage and Gymkhana, if needed. Sherry Helmer made a motion to accept her proposal, seconded by Linda Wilkens, to accept Tracy's proposal and use her for Hunt/Dressage and Gymkhana, if needed. Motion carried.

Tracy is planning on creating a memory book for expo. She has an extra photographer to do candid photos at Expo of exhibitors washing, lunging, having fun. Photos will be taken of exhibitors, volunteers,

directors doing their thing. Group pictures and individual pictures of exhibitors will be taken at her booth. One hard copy book will be donated to our Association. She is planning on 100 pages in the book. Cost to purchase books is unknown. Books will be available at Leaders Conference.

A grievance was received from Hunt/Dressage Clinic/Show. The exhibitors \$15 will be refunded. Motion was made by Janice Leonard, seconded by Nola Stenroos. Motion carried.

There were two problems we needed to address for Expo:

1. Exhibitor's horse died after being qualified. Wants to show sister's horse at Expo. Sister qualified the horse, but exhibitor never rode sister's horse at fair. Penny LePak-Fraser made a motion to not allow her to show her sister's horse, seconded by Jolene Doerfer. Motion carried.
2. Exhibitor wanted to show her friend's horse as her horse became ill. They feel they are as much sisters as blood relatives. Penny LePak-Fraser made a motion to deny the request, seconded by Sandy Wood. Motion carried.

We had received some parking passes for Gymkhana and Expo.

Expo still needs two ring stewards for driving on Sunday. Announcers are also needed for most shifts. If interested or know of someone who is please contact Linda Pribek.

Trail entries are up by about 30 entries. There is good interest in Western Riding.

Linda Pribek has signed a contract for State Fair Park. They proposed \$46,960, our negotiated contract is for \$37,950 for each year. There will be no increase for the next two years and 3% increase for 2013. We will pay only for stalls used.

Championship Challenge: Hands down 4-H horses drew the biggest crowds, standing room only in the coliseum. Thank you to Nola and Katie Stenroos for their help in the office for those days. For next year Joe, Linda, Jolene and Dale would like us to purchase two dorm rooms during State Fair.

In the leftover Midwest Horse Tack Sale stuff Joe found a pair of jodhpurs for Dale Bauer and presented them to him.

**UWEX Report- Liv Sandberg:** Liv reported that our media list has been shortened, but new items have been added.

Expo explanation and permission slip will be posted on our web site .

Liv reminded us that Eastern National 4-H Horse Round-up is the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in November.

Quarter Horse Congress is October 18-19 (Tuesday and Wednesday).

4-H Horse Leaders Conference will be in Oshkosh, November 11-13. Workshops will start on Friday night. All-around and Sportsmanship Awards will be presented on Saturday at dinner. District meetings will be on Saturday evening. Youth meeting will be on Saturday evening after District meetings. State meeting will be on Sunday morning . Conference fee will be \$25, dorm room fees will be the same as two years ago.

Melanie Miller's position vacancy will be handled by Pam Hobson, county agent, and may take 9-12 months to fill. A retirement gift for Melanie was discussed. Karen Torgerson made a motion to get her an enamel clover for her Pandora bracelet. Motion seconded by Linda Wilkens. Motion carried.

**National Horse Leaders Symposium:** The symposium will be in Virginia March 23-25, 2012. Linda Wilkens is working on getting bus transportation with adjacent states.

**Midwest Horse Fair Tack Sale Report:** Margaret Halverson gave a report on this year's sale with 994 numbers sold. She is working on finalizing the figures. Karen Torgerson made a motion to accept Margaret's report, seconded by Sherry Helmer. Motion carried.

**Horse Bowl and Hippology Competition:** Betsy Rohde reported everything went well. In 2012 speeches and demonstrations will be on Friday night before Horse Bowl and Hippology. Hopefully, the competitions will take place in Wausau.

**Clinics:** Betsy Rohde reported that a clinic is being planned on how dressage is judged. This will be a free clinic on Friday night after cross-country is finished.

**Hunt/Dressage/Cross-Country Clinics/Shows:** The shows and clinics went well. Next year's show will be on June 29, 30 and July 1. Handy Hunter will be added for A-B-C rider levels and green hunter will be eliminated.

**Gymkhana Show:** The numbers are down a little this year, but a good number to work with.

**Judges Committee:** Judge's committee reported Myron Kruse will be judging English and Driving; Mark Russell, Western; and Jon Wolf Trail/Western Riding. Educational everything looks good.

**Expo Administration:** We have received bids for shavings from two companies. Denjos bid \$3.95 per bale for pine shavings plus delivery and gas. It comes to a little over \$4. Lindenwood bid \$4.20 per bale for pine shavings. Karen Torgerson made a motion to go with Denjos, seconded by Penny Lepak-Fraser. Motion carried. We will need one less golf cart this year because Dale Bauer is bringing his own cart. Jesse Ault will not be available for hospitality. Doing it will be Tracy Forbeck, Sandy Wood, Dale Bauer, and Joe Pribek.

**Youth Update:** Danielle Jackson gave the report for the youth. Allie Austin from Central District made the volunteer buttons for this year. There will be a youth office at Expo this year. It will be between the main office and Linda's office. For community service they chose these three organizations: Trinity Equine, HORSE (therapy), and C.H.A.P.S. (therapy).

For sportsmanship the goal is to have all counties participate.

Bella Designs is doing the T-shirts again this year. New this year is they are doing rhinestoning on the shirts. Colors for this year are: Texas orange, Indigo blue, and Black tie-dyed. The youth have negotiated a 2 year contract with Bella's increasing their profit from 25% to 30%.

The youth are wondering about having a booth at State Fair during the Championship Challenge.

**Association Administrative:** The suggestion was made that posters be made to let everyone know that volunteering helps to keep the show costs down for the 4-H youth.

**Next Meeting:** Our next meeting will be at Leaders Conference at UW-O, Oshkosh on Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted (DRAFT until approved at November 2011 meeting)  
Lois Mossholder, Secretary