

DRAW Annual Meeting

November 6, 2021

The Rustic Inn, Mapleton, WI

Members present: Barb Gardner (on phone), Katie Bachhuber, Carol Wagner, Ann DeLang, Ruth Casserly, Max Bernsdorf, Mike Bachhuber, Ann Marie Barnett, Kim Fosler, Beth Frieders, Tracy Johnson, Devan Lewer, Andrea Pfeifer and guest, Debby Weisbecker, Melinda Stewart, Christina Hyke and daughter

Agenda:

Minutes from the last meeting: Mike Bachhuber motions to accept, Ann Marie Barnett seconds. **Pass.**

Treasurer Report: Ann presented a pie chart of expenses. Every ride made some money. Max Bernsdorf moves and Roberta Harms seconds that we accept the report. **Pass.**

Memberships: Memberships to these organizations was discussed.

- Wisconsin Horse Council - \$100 – Beth moves accept, Kim seconds. **Pass.**
- Northern Kettle Moraine - \$25 – Beth moves accept, Ann Marie seconds. **Pass.**

Proxies for convention:

- DRAW's Northern Highland – Laurie Henschel and Beth Frieders
- DRAW's Colorama – Barb Gardner, Katie Bachhuber and Jon Wagner
- DRAW Finale – Ann Marie and Andrea Pfeifer

Top Ten request – Discussion around DRAW recommending to UMECRA that Top Ten Endurance be reinstated. Lots of good give and take. Carol Wagner moves DRAW recommend to UMECRA they reinstate Top Ten for Endurance (only). Tracy Johnson seconds. **Pass.**

Silent auction donations – Suggestion that ride certificates could be upgraded with the rider paying the difference. Motion to approve donating an endurance, Id and comp certificate made by Kim Fosler; Max Bernsdorf seconds. **Pass.** Tracy Johnson volunteered to upgrade the language on the certificates.

Ride Reviews from 2021:

Looking at the Treasurer's report, every ride made money!

Vet Contracts/pay: Katie Bachhuber proposes DRAW develop a contract that commits vets and the organization to dates. Carol Wagner seconds. **Pass.**

Discussion of costs involved with the vets. Costs include daily pay, gas stipend, food and in some cases, housing. Currently we pay \$350 for the head vet and \$300 for second vet. Andrea Pfeifer motions that DRAW raise fees to \$400 and \$350; Ann Marie Barnett seconds. **Pass.**

Rider Fees: DRAWS entry fees were the lowest (best deal) in the Midwest this season. Debby Weisbecker motions we raise rider fees; Max Bernsdorf seconds. **Pass.**

Jon Wagner moves we raise rider fees \$5 across the board, except for juniors (to be discussed later); Andrea Pfeifer seconds. (100-mile/\$135, 50-mile/\$90, 30 LD/\$75, 30 Comp/\$70, 25 LD/\$70, 25 Comp/\$65, Novice/\$45, Drive/ \$45) **Pass.**

Jon Wagner moves we raise junior rider fees to \$30; Tracy Johnson seconds. Jon rescinds the motion; Tracy seconds. **Pass.**

Ann Marie Barnett moves a \$20 discount for juniors off the adult cost for all rides with the exception of Novice that remains the same; Andrea Pfeifer seconds. **Pass.**

Tracy Johnson moves to rescind the \$20 motion; Kim Fosler seconds. **Pass.**

Tracy Johnson moves junior fees be set at \$30 for Comp/LD, \$40 Endurance and \$60 for distances beyond that; Jon Wagner seconds. **Pass.**

Discussion about housing for vets. Providing housing for vets should be Ride Manager decision but they should consult early with the Executive Board to avoid paying undue fees.

Dates/Locations/Ride Managers for 2022: Sanctioning forms due November 30, and ride flyers are due February 1

- DRAW's Northern Highland – weekend of 8/27 – Sharon Ployhart and Brandon Brunner/Underdown (Andrea Pfeifer moves \$50 excess gas money from 2021 season should be donated to the Underdown Club; Ann Marie Barnett seconds. **Pass.**)
- DRAW's Colorama – weekend of 9/17– Barb Gardner and Jon Wagner/Northern Kettles/ change to a Friday-Saturday ride only)
- DRAW Finale – weekend of 10/1 – Ann Marie Barnett – Southern Kettles

DeLang will look into the possibilities of offering credit card payment options and the fees involved. Suggestion to put it on flyer that Pay Pal would be available **AT THE RIDE**, not pre-entry.

By-law Changes/Clean up: Proposals available on the website

- Katie Bachhuber – Motion made by Katie Bachhuber to add Past President in Section 1; Roberta Harms second. **Pass.**
- Katie Bachhuber – Motion made to change the wording in Section 4 to reflect the fact that Treasurer and Secretary positions are separate; Kim Fosler second. **Pass.**
- Katie Bachhuber moves to add responsibility of Vice President to include ribbon and buckle distribution; Ann DeLang second. **Pass.**
- Jon Wagner moves the requirement to wear a helmet at DRAW rides be placed in the bylaws and ride managers are required to put the rule on ride flyers; Ann Marie Barnett seconds. **Pass.**

- Tracy Johnson – Motion made to correct the wording of Section 6 to include “completion” of rides; Kim Fosler seconds. **Pass.**
- Tracy Johnson – Motion to correct wording of Section 8 to include “completion” of rides; Ann Marie seconds. **Pass.**

2021 Season Awards Committee: Kim Fosler and Tracy Johnson and Debby Weisbecker volunteered

Clinic/Mock Ride: Beth Frieders volunteered to look into options. Debby Weisbecker and Christina Hyke volunteered to help.

Spring Awards Banquet – set date and location: Tracy Johnson is looking into the Keystone restaurant in Cambridge. She will check out dates later in February.

Election of Officers: All were elected unanimously. CONGRATULATIONS!

- President – Barb Gardner
- Vice President – Tracy Johnson
- Secretary – Kim Fosler
- Treasurer – Ann DeLang
- Points Keeper – Ruth Casserly

Other Business: A concern was brought forth by Mike Bachhuber that riders need to clean the campsites before leaving.

Adjourn: Carol Wagner moves; Andrea Pfeifer seconds. **Done**