

SWVHJA Board of Directors Meeting
March 21, 2007
Sweet Briar College Riding Center

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 pm. Present were: Cricket Stone, Brooks Arrington, Molly Moore, Jennifer Fessler, Jackson Schurtz, Diane Hinch, Sarah Irvine, Luanne Leonard, Mimi Wroten, KC Hearn and Gordon Reistrup. Also present was Executive Secretary Anne Johnston.

The minutes from the February meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved.
Checking account balance: \$5,739.05
Money market account balance: \$10,931.73.

OLD BUSINESS

By-Laws Revision

It was agreed to postpone approval of revision of the by-laws until the April meeting. Luanne Leonard inquired if the doubling of jumper points read clearly enough in the by-laws; it was agreed this was well-stated. Anne Johnston is sending copies of the By-Laws to show managers with the revised equitation rules.

Paul Mathews Clinic

Response to the Spring clinic with Paul Mathews was discussed. Because response was light due to a variety of factors, it was decided to consolidate from two days to one, to be held March 31st. It was decided to combine all the 3'0"/3'6" sections into one, and offer a 2'6" section, both of which would ride in an AM and a PM session. It was agreed that revised information would be disseminated by the evening of March 23rd, with responses required by March 27th.

Yearbook

Anne Johnston is updating and resending the membership list to Danny Young. The print date for the Yearbook is as yet unknown, but Anne is checking on ad responses.

Missing Items from Annual Show

Brooks Arrington proposed replacing the missing RMWC flower boxes taken from the 2006 Annual Horse Show, and has asked JT Tallon to itemize and price the missing items. The Board agreed upon this course of action.

August Clinic

Luanne Leonard noted that Glenn Moody was not available for the August clinic date. She proposed Kevin McQueen (NJ) as a possible replacement, and was checking on availability. Chris Kelly is in place for the second day. Sarah Irvine suggested exploring

USEF junior development opportunities for use in conjunction with a practicum clinic. Following discussion it was proposed that such a clinic could be held in conjunction with either the June or July House Mountain horse shows, or the October House Mountain. Areas of interest were discussed. It was decided that a practicum prep/mounted clinic combination could be held on the August clinic dates for 2007.

2008 Clinic

The 2008 clinic will be held March 29-30, 2008 with Paul Mathews returning as the clinician.

NEW BUSINESS

Annual Show Sponsors

Sarah Irvine indicated that Steve Barnes of Grand Champion Trailer Sales would do a \$2500 sponsorship. Gordon Reistrup is contacting Dover Saddlery regarding sponsorship. Cricket Stone stated that Kate Haisch will investigate corporate sponsorship. Anne Johnston is going to send last year's sponsorship levels to board members so new levels can be discussed and set at the next meeting.

Junior Scholarships

There was a brief discussion of including participation in association educational opportunities as part of the junior scholarship application. It was agreed that the applications and application process need review and revision.

Low Hunter Query

A member inquired if the Low Hunter division at the Lexington Spring Premiere and Encore horse shows counted for Year-End Award points. The specs read the same as in the By-Laws; as long as the specs are the same, the division counts for points.

Owner vs. Rider Points Queries

A correct response was initiated to a letter received from member Ann Shawver requesting a point query on a horse owned by someone else. The By-Laws clearly state that only an owner can query points. It was unanimously agreed to leave this policy as is. Cricket Stone will prepare a final response to this inquiry.

The next meeting will be April 23rd in Lexington. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Gordon Reistrup
Secretary, SWVHJA Board of Directors