

Florida Whips Board Meeting, 19 February 2024
Beth Reiselman's Lanai

Note: there was discussion about various topics before meeting was called to order. Those points have been added to the topics as the meeting strolled the agenda.

Meeting called to order 2:30

Present: Bob Giles, Lauren Reece, Beth Reiselman, Gail Thomas, SuZi, Janet Crumpton, Karen Cherry

Minutes from 7 August 2023 read and accepted.

Treasury Report: Net income \$1K, donations made to Northern region and Youth Program.

Membership from Youth and Continuous Drive

Meta Baxter ~~8 people, \$300.8 drivers~~

Event facilities discussion: Black Prong new fee schedule, home facilities

Discussion on raising Family membership from 50 to 65 dollars. Motion will be made at annual meeting.

Under Discussion

-There is club equipment for cones and clinics, but no club trailer to house it all or be able to haul it easily. Potential income for having a club trailer includes the Meta Baxter clinic, the Continuous Drive, club dressage events. There are funds held in the SW region (\$1844.37) and funds held in the SE region (\$5294.77), but those regions have not been active. ~~A motion was made to dissolve the regions, but this violates By Laws. The membership will have to vote.~~

~~— Fees. Membership and Event fee raises (discussed).~~

Discussion was held about combining districts or eliminating one. Motion will be made at member meeting to combine SW and SE Regions .

Membership Report:

Current Membership. 235 up from last year, members only events have driven membership.

Problems with abandoned cart (application form completed, payment not completed) on website. Applications without payment now number 20, approximately \$800-1000 stands pending.

(Increased) Membership from Continuous Drive

Memberships regarding Members Only Facebook page: processing issues include checking membership before admin approval, and the aforementioned Not Paid problem.

Hours To Drive / Volunteer Hours: discussion of awards, pins certificates. The Cumulative ADS program. Discussion seemed to lead to agreement on certificates for the different levels, and Lauren will post a motion to board as this has to be done before annual meeting.

Iron Horse HT (ADS): Florida Horse Park Autumn. Club committee, coordinate volunteers: safety officer, course design, obstacles, scorer, secretary, TD, cones, hospitality, sponsors, judge. Renew discussion 15 March.

Calendar: previous problems, expense of printing a flyer that is out of date. ~~Charge of member in charge from Sandy to Allyn.~~ Sandy Hebert has asked to be retired from that position and Lauren has spoken to Allyn Carmen about her taking over the calendar.

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Trailer (see above), Fundraising.

Insurance: Under discussion—correct event calendar policies or find new underwriter. Concerns about coverage of minors at events: youth ~~and helmets~~ driving golf carts. SuZi will follow up with insurance company. Possibility of motion to be presented at member's meeting.

Blue Ribbon Club: article about club to be in ADS Whips magazine, 500 words, and 6 pictures of 300wpi due by 15 March. Gail has volunteered to write the article but needs some hi quality pictures with photogofer release.

Youth Program: 12 juniors, 1 member turned out in the rain this past Saturday. Names needed of juniors and membership applications filled out and signed. ~~Clinics. Prelim USEF Champion~~

Website: ~~problems include~~ Discussion included old events not removed, updates not happening, problems with membership abandoned cart and pay button location, not happening up to potential. Lauren will follow up with Veronica this week.

Regions and the Bylaws see note in treasury report. Membership numbers for SE Region 24 overall, SW Region 16 overall. Two proposals will require a vote for bylaw revision: whether to

dissolve all regions and make the club Florida statewide, or to combine the SE and SW regions into a S region.

Elections the following positions are coming open: President.
Vice President
Junior Director
Membership

An election (nominations) committee is required-- Karen, Gail (agreed to run again for their respective offices). No date on Southern Drive. **Lauren Will call Kaci and confirm dates and possibility of holding annual meeting there again.**

Meeting called to adjourn 4:20