

# Minutes for the Florida Whips Board of Directors Meeting – 10/15/2024 @ 10 am

Meeting held via Zoom call and called to order by Sandy Hebert.

## Roll Call - Present:

1. President – Sandy Hebert
2. Vice President – Paul Van Sickle
3. Secretary – Kristal Ray
4. Treasurer – Beth Reiselman
5. Membership Chair – Gail Thomas
6. Youth Director – Karen Cherry
7. Northern Regional Director - Janet Crumpton
8. Southern Regional Director - Pat Picornell

## Roll Call - Not Present:

1. Membership Chair – Gail Thomas
2. Youth Director – Karen Cherry
3. Northern Regional Director - Janet Crumpton

## Report of President – Sandy Hebert

- Requested approval to waive reading of minutes - Approved by board
- Nothing to report

## Report of Vice President - Paul Van Sickle

- Nothing to report

## Report of Secretary – Kristal Ray

- Board insurance has been renewed with Travelers. Cost was \$1090.02.
- Event insurance (20 events) with Equisure has been purchased. Cost was \$2,581.61.
  - Event certificates were distributed to each of the event leaders.

## Report of Treasurer – Beth Reiselman

- Balances are as follows:
  - Checking Total: \$21,096.08
  - General: \$4955.17
  - Northern Region: \$7,792.95
  - Combined Southeastern Region: \$7,139.14
  - Camp Black Prong: \$185.81
  - Savings: \$10,006.7
  - CD: \$5,784.79 (9 month CD just renewed)
  - Reserve for Juniors: \$2,972.12
  - Reserve for Para Drivers: 442.12
- **NOTE - ACTION REQUIRED:** Now that Southeast and Southwest have been combined, changes are required to the club policies.
- **NOTE - ACTION REQUIRED:** Need to address the \$500 spending limit.
- \$375.00 of membership checks to be deposited tomorrow
- Event insurance that was charged (\$2581.61) will be paid.
- Event updates:
  - Iron Horse Navigator Clinic - 27 participants, \$675.00 income, \$625.00 expenses, grant from Hoops Addis \$2500.00
  - Camp Black Prong has 55 participants with 25 / 26 of those being drivers. Those not driving are auditors, trainers, and volunteers.
    - Some excellent grants were received for camp.
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      - Great Lick: \$2,500
      - Hoops Addis \$7,450

- Night of Giving earned \$650.

## Report of the Membership Chair – Gail Thomas

- Not present - no report

### Current business:

1. Sandy presented a rough outline of the club spending.
  - The Florida Whps currently has about 200 members (give or take a few).
  - With 200 members, the membership fee income is approximately \$8,375.
  - So that makes:
    - Insurance consumes 45% of the income ( $1090.02 + \$2,581.61 = \$3,671.63$ )
    - Calendar consumes 25% of the income
    - Proposed awards will consume 20% of the income
    - 10% of income remains
  - Must be careful when we are asked for donations / contributions.
2. Possibility of WHIPS sponsored shows to raise funds for the club.
  - Question was raised about why Whips doesn't put on a show where all the money comes back to Whips?
    - In the past, Whips did that but found out that there was so much work that it didn't seem to be a good payoff. So, the board changed to the current model.
    - \$10/person at each Whips show comes back to Whips. This is for Whips "approved" events only.
  - It was pointed out that Whips members are asked to volunteer at non Whips events.
3. Paul attended the ADS 50th meeting and it was excellent. Beth received her silver medal. Congratulations, Beth!
4. Awards Program Proposal presented by Louis Leister and Kristal Ray
  - Goal: Create a comprehensive awards and recognition program to ensure it is consistent, affordable, and sustainable
    - Should include all awards and recognition for Combined Test & Combined Driving / Pleasure Show / Other (Volunteers, etc.)
  - Committee formed: Kristal Ray, Chair, Louise Leister - Pleasure Awards, Janet Crumpton - CT and CDE
  - Details of the proposal were presented and discussed.
  - Member letter read to the board by Sandy addressing concerns with the inclusion of Tree Line Farm events.
  - Motion to approve award proposal - Approved by board

Sandy Hebert adjourned the meeting