

DEC General Meeting
Monday, January 16, 2023
7:00pm

I. Call to Order-Ken Horeis

- A. Pledge of Allegiance- Stan Vonasek
- B. Minutes of previous meeting- available on the website

II. Treasurer's Report- Kaitie Spencer

Beginning Balance-	<u>\$37,920.95</u>
Deposit-	<u>\$1,485.00</u>
Expenses-	<u>\$2,442.63</u>
Ending Balance-	<u>\$36,963.32</u>

- A. Motion to accept the Treasurer's report by Pam Nebel, 2nd by Wayne Nebel and Dave Hobday, passed

III. Introductions-Ken Horeis

IV. Speaker- Stacie Toppin of Blue Seal Feeds "Feeding the Senior Horse"

- A. Stacie was very informative in answering questions and utilized a great power point presentation
- B. There was a raffle drawing of several feed related prizes at the end

V. Old Business

A. Horseshow Series Update- Joan Greenberg

- 1. Updated 2023 Dates
 - 1.) Sunday, May 21, 2023
 - 2.) Saturday, September 9, 2023
 - 3.) Sunday, October 8, 2023* Double Points

B. Directory- Ken Horeis

- 1. The Directory is with the layout coordinator
- 2. Should be completed at the printer by the end of February

C. Review of Bylaws and standing Rules & Vote to approve

- 1. Ken reviewed the changes proposed by the Board including a small increase in membership dues
 - a. \$40.00 Commercial
 - b. \$30.00 Organizational
 - c. \$25.00 individual
 - d. Youth remains the same at \$10.00
- 2. Motion to approve was made by Kaitie Spencer and 2nd by Jason Tucker, vote: approve-all, opposed-0, passed

D. Personal Access Liability Insurance-Stan Vonasek

- 1. Stan reminded everyone that the 1 Million in Access Liability Insurance is available and run on the calendar year.
 - a. Either send in a check or pay via the website
 - 1.) \$25 for individual
 - 2.) \$50 for family

- b. You can also request a certificate if you wish

VI. New Business

- A. **Youth Group Update-** Kaitie Spencer due to Amy's absence
 1. Fundraising Bake Sale to be held on Saturday, February 11th at Coastal Equine Livestock supplier in Georgetown, DE
 2. They are also initiating a Birthday Club for anyone wishing to be involved
 3. They are still accepting blanket donations
 - a. They are cleaning and sewing blankets
 - b. Donating for free anyone who contacts them with a need
 4. Ken noted that Amy is doing what many have tried before, but she and Ella, her daughter, are succeeding in terrific form- many thanks to them

- B. **Delmarva Driving Club Donation Request-Stan Vonasek**
 1. Stan presented a request for the driving club
 - a. Kaitie noted in the past, DEC has given \$250
 - b. Per the bylaws, this request will be voted on by the general membership at the February meeting
 2. Stan noted that there is a **Beginners Driving Clinic on Saturday, February 25th** at the Vonasek's indoor arena in Ellendale. There will be a professional clinician

- C. **DECF Scholarship Dinner and Awards** is scheduled for **Saturday, March 25th** at the Harrington Moose Lodge.
 1. Still accepting donations of money or items
 - a. Would love more theme baskets
 2. Tickets are \$30 each or an 8-seat table for \$260
 - a. Can be purchased by any member or on the website
 3. Set up in the morning at 10am

- D. **Speakers for 2023**
 1. February-reserved for DEC Foundation
 2. March-Vicky Trainor-Search & Rescue
 3. April- Dr. Chris Baldt, Chiropractor- "Vetro-Laser"
 4. May-Sherry Harris-Natural Horsemanship
 5. June-No meeting
 6. July- Dr. Nikki Scherrer, New Bolton Ophthalmologist, Omega Horse Rescue
 7. *August-Allison Meadows of the Mounted Police-newly added*
 8. September-
 9. October-
 10. November-

VII. Motion to adjourn so that the DECF committee of volunteers could meet

Minutes submitted by Julie Warrington, Secretary