DEC General Meeting Monday, November 21, 2022 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- \$36,428.74

 Deposit \$4,173.00

 Expenses \$2,680.79

 Ending Balance \$37,920.95

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

III. Introductions-Ken Horeis

IV. **Speaker**- Patty Gilmore, Trusting Hands for Animals

- A. Patty worked with both equine message and Reike on a Quarter Horse that Curtis Childers provided. Patty noted several areas on the horse's body that were benefiting by her touch. It was noted by several of the audience that the horse was visibly enjoying this by her demeaner, movement and relaxation.
- B. Patty also worked on Laurie Vonasek's chihuahua.

V. Old Business

- A **Directory**-Ken Horeis
 - 1. Ad sales are behind pace with last year. He will send a listing of those he's currently gotten and those he's contacted but haven't received payment or artwork
 - 2. Request Social Media push
 - a. Wayne Nebel said he'd repost on Facebook
 - b. Trista North said she has some Commercial companies she can reach out to

B. Horseshow Series Update- Ken Horeis in Joan and Neal Greenberg's absence

- 1. Show Gross income-\$4,046.25
- 2. Show expense-\$2,831.19
- 3. Show Net Income-\$1,215.06
- 4. Each show grew with number of riders
- 5. Recommendations from attendees will be taken into account for next year
- 6. Approval with much excitement to move forward with 2023 series
 - a. 2023 Dates
 - 1.) Sunday, May 21, 2023
 - 2.) Sunday, September 10, 2023
 - 3.) Sunday, October 8, 2023* Double Points

VI New Business

- A. Ken presented a Thank you note from Delaware Horsemen's Association's Assistance Fund for the DEC sponsorship
- B. **Review of Bylaws and standing Rules** proposed changes-Kaitie Spencer
 - 1. Vote for changes approved by general attendees for initiation January 2023

C. 2023 Proposed Budget- Kaitie Spencer

- 1. Yearly proposed expenses-\$16,737.00
- 2. New Line Item for DEC Youth Group
 - a. Amy Dietz acknowledged for efforts in getting DEC Youth Group running
 - b. Youth Group provided homemade dessert snacks for all in attendance
 - c. They also designed special tags giving recipients membership benefit information
- 3. Motion by Pam Nebel to approve, 2nd by Jason Tucker, Vote: approval of the budget

D. Nominations & Election

- 1. Ken opened the floor for any additional nominations-none added
- 2. Voting and election for:
 - a. Vice President-Neal Greenberg
 - b. Secretary-Julie Warrington
 - c. Directors
 - 1.) Jason Tucker
 - 2.) Holly Vigilante
 - 3.) Meredith Whipple-Smith

E. Youth Group Update- Amy Dietz

- 1. The youth are accepting blanket donations
 - a. They are cleaning and sewing blankets
 - b. Donating for free anyone who contacts them with a need

F. Speakers for 2023

- 1. January-Stacie Toppin, Blue Seal Feed- "Feeding the Senior Horse"
- 2. February-reserved for DEC Foundation
- 3. March-Vicky Trainor-Search & Rescue
- 4. April- Dr. Chris Baldt, Chiropractor- "Vetro-Laser"
- 5. May-Sherry Harris-Natural Horsemanship
- 6. June-No meeting
- 7. July- Dr. Nikki Scherrer, New Bolton Ophthalmologist, Omega Horse Rescue
- 8 August-
- 9. September-
- 10. October-
- 11 November
 - a. Kaitie asked Ken to reach out to Frances Baker about a carriage outing
 - b. The Mounted Patrol was also suggested
- VII. Motion to adjourne
- VIII. Minutes submitted by Julie Warrington due to Neal's absence