

Delaware Equine Council Meeting
Monday, April 17, 2023 7pm

Call to Order- Ken Horeis

Pledge of Allegiance-Stan Vonasek

Treasurer's Report- Kaitie Spencer

Beginning Balance-	<u>\$37,492.00</u>
Deposits-	<u>\$ 2,876.00</u>
Expenses-	<u>\$ 3,322.25</u>
Ending Balance-	<u>\$37,046.20</u>

I. Speaker-Dr. Chris Baldt-Vetro Laser usage in Chiropractic Work

Dr. Baldt gave an informative demonstration of the usage of different types of laser therapy. He has been helping small and large animals and humans for 35 years. He is excited about the additional help he can give with strategically using the laser as part of his treatment when indicated. He is working with Dr. Amy Biddle from UD in her study of Equine Ulcers. The results will be published upon completion. He discussed the classes of lasers available and how they can help or harm depending on their use and by whom. He uses a Class 3B laser. Curtis Childers was gracious to provide a horse for Dr. Baldt's continued demonstration of his laser's use. He has also completed a two-year certification for acupuncture as well that he is adding to his array of treatment. He stressed that working together as a team with Veterinarians, farriers and dentists is important in the complete care of your horses.

II. Old Business

A. SDTR Derby Day Event-Stan Vonasek

1. May 6th is their exciting event

B. Personal Liability Insurance-Stan Vonasek

1. Excess insurance of 1 Million for an individual for \$25 or family for \$50 for calendar year

C. Firetower Road /C &R Center crossing-Ken Horeis

1. Ken reported that the pipe installation for a ditch cross over is scheduled for the first week of May.
2. The road signs are also planned for, but unsure of the time frame.
3. Great that there is movement to make it safer to cross Firetower Rd.

D. Rescue Equipment Fundraiser update-Ken Horeis

1. So far, \$3,960.00 has been raised
2. There has not been any word yet on the Grant request submitted by Stan
3. Ken has also been in touch with some groups in New Castle Co that have expressed an interest in donating.
4. Sussex County needs to help with donations, since the effort to get the equipment stationed in the lower part of the state to enhance response time to save large animals in distress.

E. Horse Show Series update-Joan Greenberg

1. Entries are coming in

2. POST MEETING UPDATE

a. NEW SHOW LOCATION

1.) Pairadice Equestrian LLC.

- a. 26632 Equistar Dr., Milton DE 19968**

F. Brendon Wise Clinic update-Julie Warrington

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- a. Due to several reasons, the Clinic has been **CANCELED!**

G. DEC Youth Update-Amy Dietz

1. A youth membership table will be set up at the horse show series
2. Amy is moving her personal horses to Bourbon Acres and so will be planning some youth events at that farm

H. Scholarship Dinner Wrap-Up- Kate Bowski/Wayne Nebel

1. \$7,525 in Sponsors
2. \$2,994 in Ticket sales
3. \$ 205 in 50/50 sales
4. \$ 940 in Chinese Auction ticket sales
5. \$1,920 in Live Auction sales
6. Total Income- \$13,584.00
7. Total Expenses-\$2,982.49
8. **Total Net Income-\$10,601.56 toward next years scholarships!**
9. **The DECF Board would like to thank all those involved in making this a successful evening!**

III. New Business

A. Website

1. Mark is stepping down as our webmaster as he no longer has the time to devote to it. The Board will be meeting on Wednesday, April 26th to discuss going forward.
2. **POST Board MEETING UPDATE**
 - a. Dave and Gwen Hobday have stepped up to work on the website.
 - b. They will be working with Mark to make the necessary transfers to a new provider
 - c. Stay tuned for great things!

Move to Adjourn-next meeting is Monday, May 15th at 7pm at Courageous Hearts, 8848 September Way, Lincoln, DE 19960