

Delaware Equine Council Minutes
Monday, November 20, 2023 7pm
Houston Fire Hall
143 Broad St., Houston, DE 19954

Call to Order- Ken Horeis

Pledge of Allegiance-Neal Greenberg

Minutes of Previous Meeting-Available on the website

Treasurer's Report- Julie due Kaitie's absence	Beginning Balance-	<u>\$29,040.74</u>
	Deposits-	<u>\$ 6,909.31</u>
	Expenses-	<u>\$ 2,752.81</u>
	Ending Balance-	<u>\$33,197.24</u>

Motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Pam Nebel and 2nd by Wayne Nebel, all agreed to the motion, passed.

I. Introductions -Ken Horeis

II. Old Business

A. Personal Liability Insurance-Stan Vonasek (see Stan after meeting)

B. Rescue Equipment Fundraiser update-Ken Horeis

1. The equipment has been ordered and should arrive in December 2023 due to backorder of some items
2. The Tactical Response Team in Georgetown has a trailer they will retrofit for the ER equipment
3. Wayne asked if everything was ordered except the tri-pod
 - a. Ken said the State of Delaware would ensure there was one available

C. 2024 Directory update-Julie

1. Julie brought a excel spreadsheet print out of the the past and future ad holders with their current status

D. DEC Youth Update-Amy Dietz-n/a

E. Quarter Auction update- Kate Bowski-tabled for next meeting as Kate was absent

F. Scholarship Dinner-Kate/Wayne

1. Saturday, March 30, 2024 at the Harrington Moose Lodge
2. Wayne reported that so far they have \$500 from Bank of America and \$1,000 from M&T
3. Pam Nebel said she anticipated AMBA doing a \$1,500 donation. Their meeting soon to vote
4. Request to secure Auction items

III. New Business

A. Sunshine Friends-Joan Greenberg/Pam Nebel

1. They would like to form a committee for outreach to those who would benefit from cards of congratulations, get well, etc

2. They would like permission to order personalized DEC cards to send out
 - a. Approximate cost would be \$7.00 for 25 cards
 - b. Everyone thought that was a wonderful suggestion and to move forward with their efforts
3. Pam noted that Elrita Annett has had another stroke and is in the hospital/rehab recovering.
 - a. Pam indicated that only Heather, Renee and she as the only people invited to see Elrita.
 - b. Pam and Joanie asked if they could send her a “care” basket of items that she would like
 - c. Motion made by Julie and 2nd by Wayne to secure a basket for Elrita. Vote: unanimously passed

B. Holly asked a question about a facebook post from Origami she saw

1. Joan Greenberg said she was, in fact, going to bring that subject up at this meeting, but Sandra must have gotten too excited and didn’t wait for her to present to the council for approval at this meeting

2. The Topic

- a. A Clinic at Origami on April 6, 2024

b. “A Judge’s Point of View”

- 1.) Ride in a simulated class for the judge, Meredith Smith, who has agreed to do it
- 2.) Sandra suggested splitting the proceeds by 3: Origami, DEC, Judge
 - a.) Suggested price: \$30
- b.) Post meeting update**
 - (1.) Price set at: \$45/hr for each rider/horse
 - (2.) Auditing available for \$20
- 3.) Joanie will develop a flyer to go out on Facebook, website and the newsletter
- 4.) Sounds like a great idea

3. Gwen wondered about the volunteers to man the Clinic

- a. DEC needs to put out a Push for Volunteers

- 1.) “WE NEED YOU!”

- 2.) Holly asked about networking with other Delaware horse related organizations in order to try and get volunteers

- a. Concern about all groups being in the same predicament as DEC with only a handful of people doing all the work

C. Motion by Gwen and 2nd by Pam to accept the Nominations and Election results of:

1. Vice President- currently Neal Greenberg, 2 year term-2025
2. Secretary- Julie Warrington, 2 year term-2025
3. Director- Stan Vonasek, 3 year term-2026
4. Director- Joan Greenberg, 3 year term-2026
5. Director-Brooke Baker, 2 years remain-2025
6. Director-Jill Borowski, 2 years remain-2025
 - a. Vote: unanimously passed
 - b. Terms start in January 2024

D. Other

1. Topics to follow up on
 - a. Racetrack Outings
 - b. Excess monies into a CD

- c. Speakers
 - 1.) CPA-Stan
 - 2.) Zoom offerings for meetings
 - 3.) New Bolton's "First Tuesday" videos

Move to Adjourn-next meeting is Monday, January 15th at 7pm at The Houston Fire Hall (no December meeting)