

SHOW ME LITTLE EQUINE CLUB

Meeting Minutes

January 30, 2007

Opening:

The Board meeting of the SHOW ME LITTLE EQUINE CLUB was called to order at 1:03 p.m. on January 30, 2007 in Rolla, Missouri by President, Rick Coffman.

Present:

Attending the meeting were Rick Coffman, Mary Sheppard, Parmela Bonney, Bonnie Shearin, Diane Rogers, Dolores Williams, Cindy Coffman, and Patty Finland.

A. Approval of Agenda

Rick Coffman went over the potential agenda items at the beginning of the meeting. He said there were some additional items to be discussed.

B. Secretary Minutes and Approval

The Secretary presented the minutes from the November meeting. There were a few corrections and additions to the minutes.

- a. Mike Wortman resigned from the Board of Directors and his position needed to be filled. From the vote count at the November meeting for filling Board of Directors positions, Marilyn Wilkins was the next in line to fill the position. She declined due to family commitments. Next was Cory Hatfield, and Rick Coffman will contact him.
- b. The next subject up for discussion was the August Meeting for the Board of Directors. There are shows scheduled on each weekend in August so there was discussion to select a Tuesday of the month to have the meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were corrected and a motion was made by Mary Sheppard and then seconded by Bonnie Shearin to approve.

C. Treasurer Report

The Treasurer report was given by Mary Sheppard. There is a balance of \$5,202.68 in the account with a few outstanding bills that need to be paid.

- a. She had received 38 total memberships, 21 family memberships, 17 individual memberships, and no youth memberships have been received for 2007. b. Mary did the ASPC/AMHR Journal Ad for 2007 and stated we need to assign someone to be in charge of the ad in the future. The bill for the ad will not be paid until the ad is done. There were 23 farms put in the Ad-several farms had not pre-paid-\$645 has been collected-with 2 farm ads outstanding.
- b. A discussion of getting more renewals for memberships. The Renewals will be sent out with the next Newsletter-which will also save money on postage.

After the discussion of the additional items, a motion was made by Dolores Williams and seconded by Parmela Bonney and the Treasurer Report was approved.

D. Old Business

- a. There was a discussion on how to advertise the upcoming show season. It was decided to put the SMLEC show schedule on Lilbeginnings website and look to see if there is any other place to advertise the show schedule.
- b. Dolores Williams discussed the class schedule of the upcoming SMLEC shows and made a few additions and corrections to the classes. She wanted us to look over the classes in the next few days and give her any corrections that needed to be done.
- c. Discussion of making up one Show Bill for both the Arch View Show and the SMLEC

shows to save money on postage. Members will have to make copies of the entry forms which are to be submitted for each show for entries.

d. There was talk about changing the show fees for the 3 judge show in Cartage, Missouri from what is being charged for the other shows. Will check into the total cost of stalls, etc. and then consider this option.

e. Discussion about late fees for classes at all shows and that late fees will be enforced.

f. Cindy Coffman informed us of the hotel reservations for the upcoming shows. Best Western in Carthage, Missouri will give us 1 room for every 15 rooms that are booked. The room rates were negotiated to \$61.99 from \$84.00. This has to be done via phone not online in order for us to get the free rooms. The Best Western in Columbia, Missouri said we had to book 25 rooms to give us 1 room. The rate will be \$62.00 from \$84.00. Rooms must be booked 30+ days in advance of the show, remaining reserved rooms will be cancelled 30 days before the show.

g. Dolores Williams gave the President and the Treasurer copies of a contract for the SMLEC Show Manager of the shows. A motion was made by Delores Williams and seconded by Parmela Bonney to approve. Rick Coffman signed and returned to Dolores.

h. A National's Report was given by Dolores Williams on the upcoming National Convention in Branson and a report on 2006 ASPC/AMHR Nationals.

i. Webmaster Report-Cindy Coffman said there was nothing to report at this time.

j. Insurance for the SMLEC Shows will be \$595.00 which covers January meeting and all other meetings and SMLEC Shows for the rest of 2007.

k. Discussion to put an Ad in the Journal for 2007 Show Bill. Need to change the looks of the Ad to update. Someone needs to be appointed to do the ad in the future.

E. New Business

Discussion for the Year End Award Nomination forms. It was discussed to raise the fee from \$4 a class to \$5 a class to nominate. Motion was made by Mary Sheppard and seconded by Bonnie Shearin to approve.

Youth Fund Raiser was discussed. A set of Double K Clipper, which will be bought at cost from Pro-Cuts will be the prize and given away at the last horse show.

Rick Coffman said he would be in charge of the raffle. A motion to approve was made by Dolores Williams and seconded by Diane Rogers.

Mary Sheppard brought up discussion to establish a Nominating Committee to be in charge of finding and nominating SMLEC candidates for vacant seats, running elections, and counting ballots at elections. She also stated the need for an Alternate Director in case one of the Directors quits or needs to be replaced.

Diane Rogers stated that for the Year End Awards she wanted to count the points after each show instead of at the end of show season which was previously done.

Parmela Bonney had several suggestions for the club. 1. She felt that the AAA Amateur Program was something the club needed to be more involved with. 2. Thought there was a need for advertising on the Lilbeginnings sale board for each of our upcoming shows to get more participation. 3. Try to do a fund raiser for a "feature spot" on the ASPC/AMHR Journal SMLEC Farm Ad. Some discussion followed. 4. Another fundraiser might be Show Level Sponsors and Class Level Sponsors.

Patty Fingland suggested we have a Pre-Season Show Clinic to get people excited

about the coming show season, and to get newcomers interested in SMLEC. There will be a meeting open to anyone who wants to come on Tuesday, February 6, 2007 in Rogersville, Missouri to set up some preliminary guidelines. The Fingland's Indoor Arena was offered as a place for the first Clinic. The Clinic will be Co-Chaired by Patty Fingland and Mary Sheppard.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Dolores Williams and seconded by Parmela Bonney to adjourn the meeting. The next general meeting will be at the May SMLEC Horse Show in Columbia, Missouri.

Minutes submitted by: Patty Fingland