

Minutes of the
NORTHERN DISTRICT 4-H HORSE COUNCIL
Wednesday, August 3, 2011, 6:30PM
Orange Co. Extension Office, Orange, VA

No public comments nor concerns were brought to the Council's attention.

Meeting was called to order at 7:10pm. Officers present were Linda Brown, President, Michele Roszell, Vice President, Sandy Arnold, Co-Secretary and Bertha Durbin, Treasurer. Others in attendance were Tony and Ashleigh Ramey, Aileen Ryalls (Wills), Kim Mayo, Kimberly and Samantha Buonomo, Carrie Swanson, and Julie Williamson.

The previous month's minutes were read and approved. No additions to the agenda were announced.

Treasurer's report balance as of 7/30/11 -- \$14,128.10

Deposits: Money came in from shows and clinics and went out toward scholarship requests. One show has not paid. It is in the budget \$800 for the Eastern National for scholarships to be divided up amongst the kids going – Bertha will get a list of the names. For awards and trophies – NDHC is responsible for the Sr. and Jr. hunter showmanship classes, Champion hunter large pony. Northern Dist. always gives a keeper trophy. Bertha will order more engraved champion plates and the money is in the budget for this.

Old Business:

Discussion of Shows and Clinics:

4 District shows; Golden Horseshoes, Fishersville, Clarke Co., Rivanna Run (Rivanna and Clarke Co. made use of NDHC treasury for accounting). Clarke Co. Show did not make money. Lost about \$200. 8 Clinics hosted; Four Oaks Hunter and Sidesaddle, Durbin Hunter and Hunter Pleasure, Windy Springs Hunter & Showmanship, Lucky Drive Ranch Driving, Gymkhana and Trail, Madison Centaurs Hunter Pleasure and Equitation, Pony Patch Hunter Pl., Eq. and Minis, Summerduck, Hunter Pleasure, and Nokesville Dressage. Total qualified riders at shows and clinics - 324. Our numbers are about the same as in past years. We have 533 entries at state coming this year to Lexington.

All date requests for clinics should go thru Julie Williamson, Qualifying Clinic coordinator. Emphasis will be on scheduling the 4 district show dates. Deadline of requests for shows and clinics is Dec. 1, 2011. Applications for shows and clinics will be on NDHC website. Information required will be date, list of classes, judge, and location.

At the Oct. meeting we will vote on the By-laws after folks have a chance to review it. See NDHC website for by-laws marked with suggested changes.

New Business:

- Southern Regionals was reviewed and discussed.
- A new Connie Collier scholarship is offered through the State 4-H Program.
- There is an Outstanding 4-h Horse Contest at the State Horse Show. Nominate horses now. A new 4-H Alumni reception is Saturday from 4:30-7pm at the State 4-H Horse Show.
- Its' in the budget to give \$200 for the volunteer for the hospitality room at the state show. And the council agreed to contribute to this.
- The budget for 2011 was presented. See attached to these minutes.

Calendar of Events:

Sept. 15-18, 2011 State 4-H Horse Show, Lexington, VA

Oct. 8-9, 2011, State 4-H Horse Fair, Doswell, VA

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Meeting Schedule: Oct. 5, 2011 Fauquier County Extension Office, Warrenton, 7pm