

Skyline Corral Board Meeting

Held at Last Lap, Lisle, NY

October 7, 2015

Board Members present – Amy Light, Dulcie Barnes, Chris Hagquist, Jennifer Hagquist, Debbie Oakes, Debbie Huttleston, Kristen Barker, Becky Jenson, Krystal Boyce, Whitney Hibler, Lori Markoff, Kristen Farr

Board Members absent - Kristina Boyce, Kelly Gumaer, Maria Vallone, Mike Munda

Guests - Little Man Hibler

President Amy Light called the meeting to order at 6:13 pm.

Debbie Oakes read the minutes from the August 5, 2015 board meeting. The following corrections were noted – We have received the money from the Tioga County Fair Board for the fair show. Chris Hagquist made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected and Debbie Huttleston seconded the motion. All members were in favor of the minutes as corrected.

Becky Jenson said that Charlie Truman is looking at grants and what they can do to help Skyline.

Amy Light said that we need to make sure that the ages are the same for both sides on any printed material, forms, website, rules and by-laws. We need to review these and correct any before the start of the 2016 season. She also said that the By-laws needed to be updated to include the family definition that the club voted on at the workbee in April 2015.

Debbie Huttleston said that she'll schedule a meeting for the performance side to review the forms.

Amy Light reported that she still needs to send the timer out for maintenance.

Becky Jenson reported that the tanker has been put away for the year and that the pump seems to be ok and it appears that we don't need to get a new one. It turns but is rusted from sitting out. It should be greased before using and needs to be greased before its put away for the end of the season.

Changes were discussed for the Performance side. In 2016 the club will be charging an office fee per horse/rider combo. This fee will be between \$3-5 and the board was leaning towards \$5. The age for the work requirement was also discussed. The board discussed that they feel that the age should be dropped and that anyone above the leadline age should do a work requirement. Leadliner's are the only group that would be excused.

A Motion was made by Debbie Huttleston and seconded by Kristen Farr to propose a by-laws change wherein the work requirement rule is to be changed so that any rider 9 years old and older will be required to fulfill a work requirement in order to qualify for yearend awards. All members present were in favor.

Lori Markoff suggested that if the By-Laws are going to be updated, that maybe the board should revisit the membership fee. Amy Light thought that the fees were okay as they were for the time being.

Debbie Huttleston said that the order of the classes needs to be rearranged. She's going to make the changes and then send to the board for review. Debbie also wanted to verify the age for Walk-Trot – that the age is 10 and under.

Lori Markoff presented the Treasurer's report:

Treasurer's Report –

Beginning Balance – 1/1/15	\$7,231.00
Total Expenses	<6548.00>
Income:	
Fundraisers	8337.00
Memberships	772.00
Shows	6557.00
Balance as of 6/18/15 -	\$13406.00
2014 year ending ??	\$ 2943.00

Jen Hagquist reported that the Performance points are done. She questioned if there were any other incentive money due to be added. They will get them posted on the website for people to review.

The Board questioned if it was necessary to do the "extra" awards – such as divisional high-point. It was decided that this needs to be questioned before the 2016 season. The Board also discussed the pricing of awards and what we give for divisional awards and the high-point and non-divisional awards. The Board also discussed the reason why points were reduced for the meetings. The meetings are pointed to encourage participation.

Whitney Hibler discussed the newsletter and what info was left to get gotten so she can finish it and get it printed.

The Board next discussed the scholarship. It was discussed that since we have a scholarship sponsor for 2015 and we didn't have any applicants in 2014, to award both of the 2015 applicants a \$500 scholarship. Debbie Oakes made a motion to give two \$500 scholarships in 2015 and Becky Jenson seconded it. All members present were in favor.

Amy Light read both applications and the board felt they were equal in content. Becky Jenson made a motion to award both of the applicants a \$500 scholarship and Chris Hagquist seconded it. 11 board members were in favor and there was 1 abstention.

Kristen Barker asked if there was any way that we could write a check to the school instead of directly to the person. It was brought up that if the checks go directly to the school then the student couldn't use it for books or any other school fee.

Dulcie Barnes asked about the profit from the 50-50 drawings and what was going to be done with it. Amy Light reported that the club made a profit of \$250 from the 50-50 drawings. The board felt that the money should be kept local and not given to large organizations. Organizations mentioned were: Room to Heal, Make a Wish, Meals on Wheels, Food Bank of the Southern Tier, Traci's Hope, Danielle's House, or to buy dog food for the dog shelter. Amy Light made a motion to give Dulcie the \$250 from the 50-50 drawings so she could find a worthy group/person/cause. Chris Hagquist seconded the motion and all members present were in favor.

A meeting was scheduled for Sunday, October 25th at 1:30 at the Choconut Inn for the awards/banquet committee and to review the forms to make sure all the ages are the same. This meeting was open to all board members and not just the awards/banquet committee.

The Board then discussed what members were up to being nominated for a position for the 2016 season.

President (Amy) – No	Recording Secretary (Kelly) – unknown	Corresponding Secretary (Whitney) – No	Treasurer (Lori) – probably not
Speed VP (Becky) –	Secretary (Krystal) -	Director 1 (Dulcie) –	Director 2 (Kristen B)
No	No	No	– No
Director 3 (Kristen F) -	Alternate Director		
No	(Kristina) - No		
Performance VP	Secretary (Chris) -	Director 1 (Maria) –	Director 2 (Mike) –
(Debbie H.) – Unsure	Unsure	Unknown	Unsure
Director 3 (Jen) -	Alternate Director		
Unsure	(Debbie O.) - No		

If the club is going to continue, members need to step up to help with all parts. The club cannot continue on when it only makes a total of \$9 profit from the shows (show income – expenses). We are having to rely too heavily from fund raising to make the club run. Maybe it's time to rethink how the club is run and what level of competition is wanted to see the direction to take. Whitney was going to put in the newsletter if anyone was interested in a board position to contact Amy Light.

Chris Hagquist made a motion to end the meeting at 8:08pm and Kristen Barker seconded the motion. All board members present were in favor.

Respectfully submitted by,

Debbie Oakes

Debbie Oakes, Substitute Recording Secretary