**2015 Annual Sponsor Meeting**

**Highland Hills Pony Club**

**October 5, 2015 Minutes**

**Attendees:**

**Leeann Gooler, Kata Siegel, Sally Birkman, Lorri Witkowski, Kathy Arrandale, Nicole Bodmer, Janice Mackie, Julie Wilson, Jamie Pachota, DeAnn Allen, Alysia Apley, Sue Smith, Dawn Montagano, Meghan Matson, Autumn Kennedy.**

**Topics**

1. **Called to order-Jamie Pachota**

Meeting called to order at 7:22pm. Attendance sheet was passed. Introductions of club members and sponsor members. Kathy Arrandale offered to come help at meetings.Lorri Witkowski wants toremain connected to Highland Hills. Orchard Hills has 2 HB’s and C3’s that are willing to help teach our kids.

1. **Approval of Agenda-Jamie Pachota**

Lorri asked to add Electronic info in front of websites. Jamie approved that addition and Lorri motioned and Janice 2nd.

1. **Approval of 2014 Sponsor Meeting Minutes-Julie Wilson**

Alysia Apley 1st and Lorri Witkowski 2nd..

1. **Treasure’s Report-Sue Smith**

Total fees collected: $6, 455 Total Expenses: $5, 581.25 Net Gain: $873.75 . Fundraising this year $1447.40. Sept 30 balance $227.39 Megan motioned to accept treasure report, Autumn Kennedy 2nd.

Old Business

**Unmounted Meeting Teaching-Jamie Pachota**

Pushy ponies-how to control with Karen Rach, Upper level girls taught quiz rally prep, started building horse skeleton, Nicole Arrandale-Bodemer longeing lesson, sport horse-scavenger hunt, service day-painted at Miracle Ranch Farm, Starry Skies Farm-did service project, cleaning barn.

**Mounted Activities**-Advanced Horse camp-Nicole Arrandale-Bodemer, Leslie Craddock dressage lessons, Mobile confidence clinic, David Silver-rating prep. Horse camp for D’s-older girls helped teach.

**Membership Updates/Rating updates-Jamie Pachota**

New members: 14 members total with new members-Ledan & Finley Siegel

Ratings:

D1-Alysia Montagano and MairEVa Allen

D1 and D2 flat Ever Robak, Lydia Ellis, Brynn Diehl, Abby Mackie

**Activity Report-Jamie Pachota**

July Camp-everyone but 2 members. (Londyn, Robyn, Shea Wilson, Kristy Smith, Ledan and Finley, Rachel Apley, Abby, Ella, Alicia Montagano)

Nicole Arrandale-Bodemer taught older kids Private lessons, Older C1’s taught younger D’s. Mobile Confidence clinic 2nd day. Sleep over/dinner/swim at Julie Wilson’s house.

Rally Attendance-Quiz Rally-entire club

Dressage Rally-Lydia, Robyn, Kristi, Abby, Londyn

Mini D’s-Rachel Apley, Ever,

Mair Eva day 1

Show Jumping Rally-Londyn, Shea, Kristy, Brynn-SM

Mini Rama- Alyia Montagano, Rachel Apley, Brynn Diehl, Londyn Pachota-SM, Lydia Ellis, Ever Robak, Ella Birkmeyer

**Dressage Rally-Sue Smith**

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New Business

**Slate of Officers-DeeAnn Allen**

DeeAnn nominated the following officers:

Secretary-Julie Wilson

Treasurer-Kata Siegal

DC-Jamie Pachota

Joint DC Alysia Apley

All membership in favor, no members opposed of new slate of officers.

**Proposed Budget-Sue Smith**

Lorri-not approved needs additional information. $2285 projected expense 2016 ($450 clinic, $80 backround check, $100 national dues, $100 annual fund-$860 + 1425 amended budget= $2285 for 2016

Projected ratings-Robyn, Christy, and Londyn

11/4/15-ammended Fall Sponsor Budget Report:

Expenses total 2015: $1185.85 Projected expenses 2016: $2352.00

Income total 2015: $1537.40 Projected Income 2016: $2352.00

2016 added expense includes a fall camp, national annual fund

Income from members TBA March 15

Current bank balance: $2, 267.39

**USPC Annual Fund-Jamie Pachota**

The question was brought up shall we give this year? We had a balance of $2500, do we need to keep this balance. Nicole asked why we needed to keep that much in account and Jamie replied it was for educational expenses.

**Club Dues-Alysia Apley**

Lorri mentioned that dues did not change this year. Discussed amount needed per member to raise in fundraisers, decided $100 per member. Will reassess dues in March if do not make enough in fundraising. For now, no new dues. Sponsor fee will still be $20 per family member. Proposal to accept budget add $2000 of fundraising by March 15. Re-assess at that point. Jamie Pachota motioned to accept and Lorri Witkowski 2nd. All in favor.

After more discussion the above motion was clarified by Autumn: If we have not raised $1500 in fundraising we assess dues. Divide loss between members by March 15. Rounding up to the nearest $5 amount. All members need to be notified by March 15 to give members time. Due date of April 15. Lorri 2nd. All were in favor.

**Other Dues-Jamie Pachota**

Regional Dues $35 per person.

New Square Cash account, apps

National Dues-$100 per club-online enrollment $120 before Nov. 15, $130 after Nov. 15. Websites-USPC password, HHPC club site. Will send email to renew.

**Websites-Lorri Witkowski**

GLR pony club group-closed group. Asked membership to be a part of this group on facebook. GLR Digest-another information PC sight, regional website-USPC same. First place information for PC goes to. Information about certification, dates, things for sale, rally packets, clinics.

**Junior Leadership Counsel (JLC)-Lorri Witkowski( 8:50)**

For older kids 12+ Learn PC skills with other PC members. Done Rally preps (older kids teach younger) hosted Mom Rally. Kis can be officers in club. Rating doesn’t matter, can still be a voice. Encouraging kids to be a part of this division in PC.

**Fundraising Ideas Alysia Apley (9:02)**

Committee- Jamie, Alysia, Dee & Kata

Novi Horse expo-Pony club Drill Team Fri & Sat, young kids sun morning. Free Booth in exchange at Novi. Donated tack box by Donna that kids painted and decorated-will sell at Expo. Also looking into cleaning stalls for service by pony clubbers at expo weekend. Thinking of charging at least $15-20 a stall. Discussed putting flyers on stalls to advertise. Additionally, thinking of selling horse key chains for kids to make. Very cute. Charging $5. Can personalize for more. Also want to sell at Miracle Ranch Horse show.

Joey’s Comedy Club (comedy for cause) Make $15 a ticket. Will do in early spring. Last year made $400 and had a great time.

Starry Skies Rescues-Booster.com Zero set up for fee.

Design own Hoody sweatshirt $35 make $3-4 profit. Slogan-“Peace/Love/Pony Club purchase at website. Goal to sell 25 shirts. Could market on closed group facebook page.

No more wreath sales this year. Company regrouped and only making $4 per wreath. A lot of hassle for delivery. We made more money selling coffee than wreaths.

Will sell coffee again this year.

Kroger Card-designate where points go. Register PC thru Kroger shopping.

Amazon Smile-designate certain Charity.Go through smile amazon website.

Lorri-Try to get business adds in ombnibus

Stamp Peddler-spot to sell stuff.

Discussed possible horse trailer wash.

**Community Service-Alysia Apley (9:20)**

Starry Skies-try to go regularly. Everyone really loved the place after visiting this fall. Oct 18 next date 10-2:00

Oct- Halloween Party at Hay Bank. Donate $, muck stalls, donate supplies

**HHPC Duties to GLR**

Not doing Dressage Rally. Date doesn’t work for many members, can’t get membership help. Want to put on Mini Rama-HM part only. Looking into doing it with and /or at Jackie Vanderhoot’s place with mini horses. Kids loved it there with mini rally and Rachels pony club birthday party. Could pull in JLC for extra instruction. Thinking early May. We could be lead organizer.

**Proposed Calendar-Jamie Pachota**

2 meetings a month-2nd and 4th Monday. Mounted games camp-new. Lorri has some equipment to borrow.

Oct 26 Halloween Party Pachotas

Oct 31 Starry Skies Halloween Party

Nov 8th Fall camp Regional Meeting

Nov 9-Meeting-DR Sue Travernier Dental Meeting-MR

Nov 13-15 Novi Horse Expo PC Drill

Nov 23-Meeting-Long Lining-MR

Dec 14-Awards Banquet Apley House

March 6-Quiz Cram 12-5

March 12-13 quiz

April 28 Rolex

May 22 Rating

May Mini Rama??

June 17-20 Mega Rally

Aug 8-9 Summer Camp

Sept 26 Rating

Oct 24-Halloween Party

Dec 12 Awards Banquet

**Mounted Meeting Discussion-Jamie & Alysia**

Lengthy discussion about not having horses leave property more often. Our club has many members that lease or use lesson horses and do not have option of taking horse off property as often as mounted meetings use to be. We also had very low attendance for past mounted meetings. Combining and doing more camps instead. Camps, Rating Preps, having Robyn and Kristy teach more. It was brought up by sponsor that club members have to do mounted meeting 2x a year before participating in a rating. Lorri offered possibility of using Orchard Hills member horses for mounted meetings.

**Unmounted Meetings**

Combining meetings again since younger group is now getting more advanced and older. 2X a month, every other Monday.

**Camps**

Fall camps

Mar 6 Quiz Cram

Ag 8-9 Summer Camp

Super Camp July-mounted or unmounted, national examiners. 3 and a half days instruction-$400

**Award Banquet-Alysia Apley**

Dec 14 6:00 at Alysia’s house. Discussed water bottles as possible year end gifts. Jamie asked if members wanted to order purple Annie’s Breeches for kids to wear to go with PC polos for Xmas gifts.

Meeting Adjourned-Janice motioned at 10:18 and Jamie 2nd.

Minutes respectfully submitted by,

Julie Wilson

2015 HHPC Secretary