

# WCMHC 2018 Spring Meeting

**Members in Attendance:** 19

**Call to Order:** 10:10 am April 14, 2018 by President Bryson Hunter

**Approval of Spring Meeting Minutes** by Tracy Rouleau, seconded by Liz Nutt.

**Additions to Agenda:**

- None

## Treasurer's Reports:

1. Update of the current club financials. \$12,209.90 in the Canadian bank account. The clubs US bank account has \$5,575.29. Accepted as read by Kelly Wagar, seconded by Leslie Simeniuk.
2. The club received a thank you letter from the Alberta Cancer Foundation for the \$100 donation in memory of Stephen Gale. The donation request was made by Christine Tilleman. Received the \$75 cheque donation fee from the Calgary Stampede for the use of the jumps & obstacles for 2018. An update on Membership. 21 family memberships, 13 single memberships, 2 associate memberships, 7 business card advertising spots. 2 individual youth memberships. Total membership is \$1,140.

## Old Business

None

## New Business

1. **Show Committee Report.** Both AMHA shows have been approved (AMHA took longer to get back to us). New show manager for AMHA Leslie Williams. Cindy is being the show manager for the AMHR. Sponsorships for shows- we need to make a letter that can be given to a company to describe what their sponsorship will get them. Stephanie Gabrielson offered to create this letter. *The club encourages every member/family to bring in one sponsorship (from a company, local business, tack shop etc).* Kaycee offered to create thank you photo prints for sponsors of the club. Tracy Rouleau made a motion for a generic letter to be put up on the club website that membership can use for gathering sponsorships & create a sponsorship committee. Seconded by Marilyn Howe. Once this sponsorship letter is on the website, membership is asked to pull off the letter, find a sponsor, and gather their mailing address (for thankyou card) and any marketing materials the company would like to display at the show (ie. A banner for the bleachers). Remember those banners/marketing materials need to be returned to the sponsor!! Membership is asked to give sponsors plenty of recognition (ie. Thank you letters, facebook posts, business patronage etc).
2. **Youth Program.** Stephanie has created a private Facebook group for the youth & membership of WCMHC. Kids have been asked to create a poster on why they love the Miniature Horse. They will be displayed at the first show. The program is based on building friendships between members. So far the budget has been donated by Smoky Mountain Miniatures. Please bring any ideas for youth activities, team building / sponsorships to Stephanie Gabrielson. The program is really kicking off.
3. **2018 Awards Banquet.** It will need a new location because Grouchy Daddy's isn't doing a event center anymore. The event will likely be in November. Tentative date is November 3, 2018.
4. **Jumps & Obstacles Committee.** Tracy Rouleau is working on a bridge for the obstacles that will work & is easy to transport.

5. **Superior Gelding Program.** Kelly W has received 2 entries so far. Kelly would like to change the date for entries for June 1. If you plan on handing in your entry at the first show, you must let Kelly know ahead of time! (AKA before June 1).
6. **Futurity Program.** Same amount of entries as last year. Tina is donating a prize for the top aggregate horse (3 year old). Bryson is asking for input on the futurity program (what would you want to see in the future). At the AGM, Bryson was asked for data regarding the pros and cons of A) keeping the unders and over height groups together and B) splitting them up. In the 2016 Futurity, there were 20 Under entries & 2 Over entries for yearlings. In the 2017 Futurity, there were 10 Under entries & 3 Over entries in the yearlings and 8 Under entries & 1 Over entry in the Two Year Olds. Putting the overs and the unders together in the futurity increases the pot of money that the horses can win-- members actually have a chance to earn their money back. 2018 will be the first year with 3 year olds competing in the newly revamped program, and 3 year olds have the option between driving or halter.
7. **Membership Committee.** As of today, if your membership isn't in, you aren't eligible for Hi Point awards for 2018. There was a discussion about changing the membership due date to the first show -- that conversation is being tabled for the annual general meeting. Laura Malyk made a motion to discuss price changing and date of the membership deadline to be discussed at Annual General Meeting, Seconded by Tracy Rouleau. A hard copy membership card was discussed. Sheri Weigl made a motion to examine how hi point awards are calculated at the annual general meeting. Seconded by Kaycee Lunde.
8. **Date & Location for Fall Annual General Meeting.** Stephanie Rouleau is heading up the organizing of the event. Marilyn Howe made a motion for the Annual General Meeting & the Awards Banquet to take place on the same day in 2019. Seconded by Erin Bricker. The membership discussed the perks of this arrangement: members from far away can take part in the meeting, Also a 'shadowing program' to bring the youth kids up to the board of directors table to learn how to run a meeting. The date and time has been tabled until Stephanie can find the best date. Tentative date for the AGM this year is October 13, 2018 and the Awards November 3, 2018.
9. **Newsletter.** Nothing has changed with the newsletter, membership is encouraged to send content for the newsletter. In the November Newsletter the membership was asked via poll, "if they liked the center rings at the shows". The poll sent by newsletter was sent to 79 people, 20 people responded. 15 Yes to the center ring, 5 No to the center ring. (Pros and cons: The judges rest area was moved to the center ring because there were complaints in earlier years that the judges were resting, leaving their bags and socializing with people in the bleachers, ribbon table and announcer. The con being that the center ring had tables). Center rings will be at shows this year.
10. **Additions to Agenda. None.**

Adjournment at 12:30 pm. Kelly Wagar motioned to adjourn the meeting and Leslie Simeniuk seconded. Stephanie Gabrielson won the years membership in the draw.

NOTE: Password for the [www.wcmhc.club](http://www.wcmhc.club)  
Member's Only section may be obtained from Brian, [webadmin@wcmhc.club](mailto:webadmin@wcmhc.club).

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**COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Year End Awards/Trophies: Sarah Hunter

Jump & Obstacle Committee: Karan Gibbons & Kim Kolodziej

Fundraising Committee: Stephanie Gabrielson

Youth Program: Stephanie Gabrielson, Tracy Rouleau, Caitlyn Malyk.

Newsletter/Website: Karan Gibbons

Show/Clinic Committee: Cindy Hunter, Christine Tilleman, Karan Gibbons

Futurity: Bryson Hunter & Colleen Anderson

Gelding Incentive: Kelly Wagar