

Therapeutic Riding Association of Virginia
Board of Directors Meeting
Saturday, February 5, 2011
Catlett, VA
12:30 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Minutes

1. Call to order: The annual meeting of the Therapeutic Riding Association of Virginia was held in Catlett, Virginia on February 5, 2011. The meeting convened at 12:30 pm, President Jane Steele, presiding, and Emily Billey, secretary.
2. In attendance:
 - a. Board members: Jane Steele (President), Jenny Spain (Treasurer), Emily Billey (Secretary), Kathy Blaine, Barb Ford, Corliss Wallingford, Susan Warren, Mary Jo Beckman, Annemarie Roketenetz
 - b. General members: Laura Smith, Ellie Hardnack, Laurie Hanahan, Tina Ryner, Martha Wagner, Edith Kinser, Mary Phillips, Adeena Weekes, Skip Mollenhauer, Melissa Conner, Carol Ivey, Sue Bell, Melinda Wilcox, Joanne Hart, Cindy Jo Daniel, Margie Youngs, Debbie Gerbich, Sue Ellen Hargadon, Laurie Dove, Baba Zipkin, Rachel Gokorski, Rebecca Bryan, Davorka Suvak, Brooke Waldron, Whitney Fitzgerald, Kate White, Mark Leland, Colleen Zanin, Kathleen Smith, Kenny Holderied, Christie Rankin, Dotta NeSmith, Janet Workman, and Brandy Workman.
 - c. 15 centers were represented
3. Board members not present: Nancy Paschall (Vice President), Allison Laszewski, Lewis Dyer (NARHA Region 3 Representative).
4. Secretary's report/approval of 2010 meeting minutes
 - a. 2010 minutes accepted.
 - i. Motion to accept: Mary Jo Beckman
5. Treasurer's report
 - a. Total net income for 2010 was over \$2000
 - b. Treasurer's report accepted.
 - i. Motion to accept: Sue Ellen Hargadon
 - ii. Second: Corliss Wallingford

Committee Reports

1. Education
 - A. Wendy Murdoch clinic was a huge success
 - B. Clinic with Mary Jo Beckman was also a huge success
 - C. All Centers/Members are encouraged to speak with Jane Steele about any educational opportunities they would like to propose.

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– Brainstorming Workshop to go over standards was proposed by Mary Jo Beckman

2. Scholarships
 - A. Moizelle Johns Competition Scholarships for TRAV show: 12 students from 3 centers applied for scholarship this year -- a total of \$601 was paid out
 - B. Instructor Certification – Natalie Baker completed Advanced Certification program
 - C. More information can be found on the TRAV website at <http://www.travinc.org/>
3. Communications/Public Relations
 - A. Display board has been taken around to different sites and events
 - B. Emily Billey has worked on improving the TRAV Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Therapeutic-Riding-Association-of-Virginia-TRAV/140519122941>
 - C. Website has been improved and is being used
 - D. TRAV will present at the Virginia Horse Council Annual Meeting Feb 26 at Blue Ridge Community College in Weyers Cave
4. Horse Show
 - A. There were over 100 riders in attendance at the 2010 horse show from 9 centers
 - B. 2011 show will be held on October 8 & 9 at the Virginia Horse Center in Lexington, VA
5. Membership – Barb Ford
 - A. TRAV has 80 individual members (not counting Saturday's renewals)
 - B. TRAV has 21 center members (not counting Saturday's renewals)
 - C. Need better understanding among members that NARHA dues do not cover TRAV dues, and that you must be current with your NARHA membership to be a TRAV member center.
6. Center Relations – Kathy Blaine
 - A. Trying to bring new centers into TRAV
 - B. Would like to know what centers think and want in 2011
 - C. Would also like to know what the individual centers can give back to TRAV
 - D. Stressed the importance of educating and validating each other

Old Business

1. No old business was discussed

New Business

1. Nominations – Jane Steele
 - a. Laura Smith and Baba Zipkin were nominated to the board
 - b. There were no other nominations from the floor
 - i. Motion to accept: Mary Jo Beckman
 - ii. Second: Jenny Spain

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2. Upcoming dates – Jane Steele
 - a. NARHA Region 3 Meeting: March 18-20, 2011 in North Carolina

3. Work with Veterans – Mary Jo Beckman
 - a. Proposal is on the table for the Governor of Virginia to give award to programs who provide therapeutic riding services to veterans
 - b. **Action: If your program provides services to veterans, please provide your center information and a point of contact to Mary Jo Beckman**

4. Margie Youngs and Cheryl Coughlin will be presenting at the NARHA Region 3 Conference about the newly revised Rider Achievement Certification Program. Information about that evaluation/assessment tool can be found at:
<http://www.travinc.org/programs.php>

Adjournment at 1:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn: Mary Jo Beckman

Second: Baba Zipkin

Respectfully submitted

Emily Billey

Secretary

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