

Western Chapter Board of Directors Meeting January 23, 2018
Hillview Restaurant, Transit Rd., Depew, New York
Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 6:48 p.m. by Peter Tarnawskyj, President

Board Members Present: Peter Tarnawskyj, Linda Tarnawskyj, Sharon Kettner, Charlie Kettner, Barb Cunningham, Barb George, Mary Szarek, Nancy Reeves, Barbara Moore
Guests Present: Ann Czapl, Larry Thurber, Butch George

Quorum established.

Correction and Adoption of Minutes

Mary Szarek- object to Minutes being changed before they are presented to the Board as was done at the December meeting.

Duly Noted

Sharon Kettner objected to an "editorial" comment in the December Minutes. Editorial was defined
Charlie Kettner - Motion to accept, Barb Cunningham second
Carried

Treasurer's Report

Current Balance- \$11,929.16

Tops Cards Deposit \$3,725.00

Postcards for General Membership Meeting- \$149.38

Friends of Knox Membership- \$100.00

EquiSure, Director's and Officer's Insurance- \$815.00

Website for year- \$150.00

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Barb George- Motion to Accept, Barb Cunningham second
Carried

Peter Tarnawskyj- going to appoint Larry Thurber as a Board member to fill Mary McNall's vacated term.
Barbara Moore- that has to be a vote of the board not a Presidential appointment
Barb Cunningham- Motion to appoint Larry Thurber to complete Mary McNall's vacated Board seat, term expires December 31, 2018. Sharon Kettner second
Carried

Peter Tarnawskyj- Government program for Parks and Trails puts Knox Farm State Parkin line for a grant. Friends of Knox wanted it for trail improvement and maintenance. Groups are looking into this as it is a confusing system. Any group involved should have a long-term plan and goal.

Correspondence:

1. Begin Again Horse Rescue- requesting WC purchase an advertisement.

Their event is the same day as the Genesee Valley Hunt event

2. EquiStar Therapeutic Roding- requesting an emergency donation, Barb Cunningham- commented that they are restructuring and under new leadership. Peter Tarnawskyj suggested tabling until the next meeting to give Barb Cunningham time to research if the program Is viable before we commit.

EquiFest Report-

Vendor/Exhibitor- Showplex is full, ADC has table spaces left some of which can be converted to Booth space if requested

College and Career area is full

Youth Booth Is being well received, will have interactive puzzles and contests, membership and scholarship apps, still looking for an appropriate give away item

Northeast Jackpot shooters, new group many of the same members, will be performing Bill Minchew- performing during the day program on Saturday and Sunday and doing a clinic on Saturday Evening. Ticketed event- auditor early bird discount tickets advertised and can be purchased on Eventbrite site or buy at the door. One out of every twenty for the first one hundred twenty will be put in a drawing for a Wrangler gift card for a free pair of jeans or for a J. P. Fitzgerald's gift card.

Clinic and Trail Rides for 2018

Downtown Trail Ride to benefit the Erie County Sheriff's Office Mounted Reserve Unit Equipment Fund, April 29, working on Insurance for the event.

Trail Ride to benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, working on a date

Evon Montgomery Clinic is a possibility

IRS- accountant Leonard Zablonky has all the data, waiting for him to process it and send it to us.

Standing Committee Appointments

Charlie Kettner- decide on appropriate committees, circulate a list to let people volunteer for those committees they are interested in and then the President can assign committee members.

Newsletter- delayed due to a Word program crash, mailing, checked prices, 16 page will be \$.92, more advertising than in the past so it may pay for itself.

Charlie- discuss ways of moving more people toward on-line newsletters

By Laws

Barbara Moore- Motion to send the By Laws back to Committee to be "tweaked" by the committee, due to changes made since the By Laws Committee saw them. Mary Szarek second

Vote 3 in favor, 4 opposed

Barb Cunningham- Motion to place ad in Begin Again Horse Rescue, Sharon Kettner second
Carried

Charlie Kettner- Motion to adjourn 9:40 p.m.

Submitted,

Barbara Moore, WC Board Secretary