

**SC Horsemen's Council
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

October 13, 2008

Dan Ramage Center

Present: Carol Deacon, Jim, Edwards, Cecil Watkins, Mary Quarles, Betty Rankin, Bill Steele, Kaye Watkins, Tim Sigmon, Terry Boger.

Absent: Ivory Johnson, John Conner, Anthony Dyches, Jamie Roberts, Dee Cross, Hayward Simmons, Donna Patterson.

Guests: Anne & Mark Kennedy, David Grant, Daphne & Mike Hill and Jane Stoneman

Meeting was open with prayer by Cecil Watkins.

Minutes and actions items we reviewed. Motion made by Cecil to accept minutes as recorded and 2nd by Jim Edwards. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report: Given by Carol Deacon in Donna Patterson Absence.

Scholarship Fund: \$ 3,845.35
General Fund: \$ 6,629.29
SETC Fund: \$16150.73

Equine Management Workshop Update: Mary Quarles is hosting the workshop at Ketchen Farms. She stated that the meetings were going well and all participants were involved in Q & A. It has been a good group who have been meeting - not too larger but a very comfortable number in attendance.

New Board of Director Members: Cecil Watkins gave the review of roles for Board of Directors members. The following were introduced by Cecil as candidates to fill vacant District Director spots. District 5- Anne Kennedy from Beaufort, SC. District 5-B.B. Weavil of Mt. Pleasant, SC. District 3-Daphne Hill of Bennettsville, and District 3- David Grant of Florence, SC. Each were presented to the board who were asked to vote individually on each candidate. Motion made by Cecil second by Jim Edwards-each motion carried. These directors will fill the vacant Districts through the remaining of the Council year. At the 2009 Annual Meeting their names we be presented for nomination for election for those districts.

501 c 3 Status: Betty Rankin gave the summary of what it would mean to be a 501c3. We should not be adversely affected by any of the regulations. We should fall within the requirements of the guidelines set by the IRS. We will need to have an attorney to review the report of the request for the change. The by-laws will need to be amended and brought before the general membership for approval. Bill Steele made the motion that we accept the change to a 501c3 tax status. The motion carried.

2009 Expo & Annual Meeting: Information was handed out regarding what BODs will need to be in charge of during the expo. Update and future information will be going out to each member quickly. Everyone is asked to attend and to participate. Kaye asked that you help with the following:

1. Obtain sponsors, exhibitors, vendors, & sell ads for the program 2.
2. Look for youth groups or individuals who have some equine specialty act or demo they might present at the Expo send info to Kaye to contact them.
3. Recommend special horse breeds we may have missed in the past
4. Place flyers in all prominent places that horse folks might see
5. Ask your local newspaper to do an article on the Expo
6. Encourage everyone you know to attend
7. Solicit used tack and stuff for our scholarship sale

8. We will all have jobs to do at the Expo on Feb 7 and can use help from any of your friends that you can con into it

SETC: Jim Edwards gave a report on how the SCHC has ended with the SETC. New relationships and improved relationships with governmental agencies. Potential for Expo speakers due to contact with SCHC through the SETC. Jim explained how the SETC started with no money, then jumped to \$400.00 on the first trip to Charleston, which was seed money put in by committee members. The SETC wound up obtaining grants in the amount of \$31,456.00. After all expenses have been paid, the SETC is happy to be turning over \$16,150.73 to the Council. What an accomplishment!

Action Items

Action	Assigned To	Date Assigned	Target	Status
Checks & notes to Fl & Ga, SETC	Jim Edwards	9/9/08	10/13/08	50% done
Jim suggested ALL BODs come and work on Friday before expo for the fellowship!	ALL	9/9/08	2/7/09	Carry Forward
Nominations for BOD-get to Cecil for Holiday Newsletter—Nov 30deadline	ALL	9/9/08	11/30/08	
Each BOD to sell 2 ads for Expo program	ALL to Kaye	9/9/08	1/05/09	
Letter for each organizations to be a member of SCHC, with Pres of each being on the advisory council-Dee Cross	ALL- get info of contacts on Breed Assoc. & others	9/9/08	11/11/08	
State publications to receive info on scholarship winner at State Fair-Carol to write- MET to get publicized	Carol Deacon & Mary Ellen Tobias	10/13/08	10/22/08	
Write Articles send to Sylvia Roper for newsletter	ALL	10/13/08	11/30/08	
See if Sylvia will take charge of designing & printing the Expo Program	Kaye	10/13/08	10/20/08	
Have all donors of silent Auction & tack sale listed in the program	Kaye	10/13/08	10/25/08	
Draft letter, what Reginald Hall needs to be asked, 4-H contact at Clemson- for Kaye	Carol Deacon	10/13/08	10/21/08	
Anne Springs Close Greenway attorney's to review 501c3 report??	Bill Steele	10/13/08	10/22/08	
New copy of 501c3 report and additional info to the BODs	Betty Rankin	10/13/08	10/22/08	
By-laws to correspond w/articles of Incorporation for SCHC	Betty Rankin	10/13/08	10/25/08	
Final approval and signature to Carol Deacon	Betty Rankin	10/13/08	10/31/08	

Respectfully Submitted – Kaye Watkins SCHC Secretary

