

## **2009 SC Horsemen's Council Annual Meeting**

### **Minutes**

**Feb 7, 2009**

The Annual Business Meeting was held at the Circle M Ranch in Pelzer, SC on Feb 7, 2009.

The meeting was called to order by President Carol Deacon

Business was as follows:

- Revisions to the By-Laws were unanimously approved to allow for the application of 501-3-C Tax Exempt status. The members voted to proceed with this application.
- Officers and Directors were elected  
(President Carol Deacon; First Vice President - Cecil Watkins; District 1 Director – Mary Roddy; District 2 Directors – Mary Quarles & Debbie Garris; District 3 Director – David Grant; District 4 Directors – William Bell & Susan Sander; District 5 Directors – Anne Kennedy & BB Weavil; Director at Large – Mark Kennedy).
- Special recognition was given to:
  - Jim Edwards for outstanding service as Chairman of the 2008 Southeastern Equine Trails Conference
  - Ellen Hutto for outstanding service as Chairman and organizing the 2007 & 2008 Equine Expo's at the Circle M Ranch
  - Kaye Watkins for outstanding service as Chairman of the 2009 Equine Expo
  - Terry Boger for outstanding service as Co-Chairman of the 2009 Equine Expo
- Special thanks was given to Merry Worsham Roberson for her continuing support of the Equine Expo and SCHC
- Special thanks was given to Mary Ellen Tobias for her support of the Equine Expo, the SETC, and other SCHC activities
- Special thanks was given to Chris Prindle for her assistance with the SETC and the Equine Expo
- Special thanks was given to the McCleer family for the use of the Circle M facilities
- Special thanks were given to all sponsors, vendors, donors, participants, members, workers, and spectators

President Deacon updated the group on prior year activities:

- Strategic planning in Jan
- Promotional bill activity
- SETC July-Aug 2008
- Scholarship award at State Fair

- Financial Report
- By-Laws revisions for 501 C 3 application
- Quarterly Newsletters

Treasurer Donna Patterson reported ending financial statements of:

- \$2647.84 in the Scholarship Fund after awarding \$1700 in scholarships
- \$5774 in the general fund after paying all expenses
- Final accounting has not been completed on the SETC, but we will be in the black.

Respectfully submitted,

Kaye E. Watkins  
Secretary