

SC Horsemen's Council
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
August 10, 2009
Ketchen Place Farm

Attending: Cecil Watkins, Bill Steele, Jim Edwards, Mary Quarles, Donna Patterson, Terry Boger, Kaye Watkins, Susan Sander, Batty Rankin, Tim Sigmon, Debbie Garris, BB Weavil

Absent: Hayward Simmons, Dee Cross, Carol Deacon, Jenny Bell, William Bell, Mary Roddy, Anne Kennedy, Mark Kennedy, David Grant

Guests: Mary Ellen Tobias, Jennifer Breaux

Meeting: August meeting was held at Ketchen Place Farm, home of Mary Quarles. The meeting could not have been in a better setting - outside, under the overhang of a beautiful barn with all the horses looking on and adding their concerns and questions. Thanks to Mary and her mother, Peggy, for a wonderful meeting site and good food.

Meeting was opened with prayer by Bill Steele. Cecil Watkins led the meeting in Carol Deacon's absence.

Treasures Report: Donna Patterson

- Operating Fund: \$5,851.35
- Scholarship Fund \$5,633.49
- SETC Acct: has been closed. \$15,000.00 from that account has been placed in CD at 3%.

Motion made by Kaye Watkins to accept Treasurer's report as given, second by Bill Steele. Motion passed.

Tax Exempt Status (501 c 3): Betty Rankin

Betty handed out a Conflict of Interest Policy for the council to review. It was suggested by the attorney that we have a policy for the Council's benefit. Betty Rankin made the motion that we get a form and have all sign it (must be done annually from here on). Seconded by Susan Sander. After some good discussion, motion passed. Donna will send a form her bank uses to Betty.

Annual Meeting & Expo: Kaye Watkins

Annual Meeting & Expo date is set for Feb 6, 2010. It will be held in Camden, SC at South Carolina Equine Park-Westfall Complex. A planning committee meeting was held August 1, 2009 at the facility. This gave us an opportunity to walk the grounds and discuss ideas for speakers, demos, and vendors. Action items were developed and assigned. Plans are going forth to get flyers made and printed and contacts are being made for all activities.

Trails: Jim Edwards

Jim updated the council on the 2009 SETC that was held in Florida in July. We had several people from South Carolina in attendance. We received several comments about how much everyone enjoyed our SETC in Charleston last year. Jim let the council know about a new campsite for group camping that is in the planning stages at Croft State Park. He also requested that the trails committee be allowed to look into making a new trails guide for the state. Tim Sigmon made the motion to proceed with the trails guide. Donna Patterson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The SCHC trail ride will be November 20, 21, 22 at Lakeview Plantation. Details will follow once Jim gets to talk with Hayward Simmons.

Public Relations (Equine Rescue): BB Weavil

BB updated the council on the 47 rescued horses in Colleton County. BB has been gathering a lot of information on horse rescue. She feels it will be the council's responsibility to educate the public on what is available. She is compiling information and will have a committee meeting and bring their ideas to the board at a future meeting.

General:

Old Business: Sponsorship Packets - Kaye Watkins presented a proposed combined sponsorship packet to the council that incorporated suggestions from several members. This will combine both SCHC sponsorships with the Expo sponsorships. It would reduce confusion and hopefully generate more revenue to the council.

A motion was made by Terry Boger to accept the new Sponsorship Packet, and second by BB Weavil. After some discussion, the motion carried.

New Business: Betty Rankin asked to be allowed to purchase stick horses to be sold at various places as a fund raiser for the SCHC scholarship fund. She made a motion the council pay \$120.00 to purchase these horses and stickers, second was made by Tim Sigmon and after some discussion, the motion carried.

Appointment of Legal Counsel: Cecil Watkins made the motion that Jennifer Breaux be invited to serve on the Board as our Legal Counsel if she is willing. The motion was seconded by Tim Sigmon and was passed. Jennifer agreed to accept the position and will be joining our Board of Directors, effective tonight. We are delighted to have her participate with us.

Coach's comments: Tim Sigmon commented that he thought the meeting was very good.

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ACTION ITEMS

Action	Assigned To	Date Assigned	Target Date	Status
Send copy of bank's Conflict of Interest Policy form to Betty	Donna Patterson	08/10/09	08/18/09	
Modify bank form for SCHC use	Betty Rankin	08/10/09	09/01/09	
Finalize design for Expo Flyer	Susan Sander & Cecil	08/10/09	08/25/09	
Get price on poster size Expo flyers	Jenny Bell	08/10/09	09/10/09	
Develop ideas on how to strengthen Association Memberships	Mark & Anne Kennedy	08/10/09	09/20/09	
Develop proposal for SC Trails Guide and determine options for publishing	Jim Edwards	08/10/09	10/05/09	
Finalize fees and details on Horsemen's Council Trail Ride	Jim Edwards & Hayward Simmons	08/10/09	09/5/09	
Purchase Stick Horses and develop plan for selling them	Betty Rankin	08/10/09	08/31/09	
Send Sponsorship Packet to each member and to potential sponsors with a letter	Kaye Watkins Terry Boger	08/10/09	09/1/09	
Get Articles to Sylvia for Fall Newsletter	Board members	08/10/09	09/15/09	
Finalize Fall Newsletter	Sylvia Roper	08/10/09	09/25/09	

Next Board of Directors meeting:

Monday, October 5, 2009 at Steeplechase Museum, Camden, SC at 6:00PM

Attached is the final agenda.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kaye Watkins
SCHC Secretary

Final Agenda

**SC Horsemen's Council
Board of Director's Meeting
08/10/2009
Ketchen Place Farm, Rock Hill, SC
Agenda**



	<u>Time</u>	<u>Start</u>	<u>Finish</u>
<u>Call Meeting to Order</u>	5:45 PM		
<u>Welcome</u>	0:15 min	5:45 PM -	6:00 PM
Opening Prayer Introductions/welcome Review agenda & assign meeting roles Review minutes & action items from prior meeting Accomplish desired outcomes: <i>Leave meeting on positive note with clear action plans and accountabilities, all activities & discussion focused on achieving 2009 priorities</i>			
<u>Get SCHC on sound financial basis</u>			
Treasurer's report - Donna Patterson	0:07 min	6:00 PM -	6:07 PM
<u>Build an effective Board</u>			
501 C 3 Update - Betty Rankin	0:05 min	6:07 PM -	6:12 PM
<u>Produce an Exceptional Annual Meeting/Expo 2010</u>			
Update on Planning meeting held in Camden - Kaye Watkins	0:15 min	6:12 PM -	6:27 PM
<u>Double Membership for 2009</u>			
Member campaign update - Anne & Mark Kennedy	0:08 min	6:27 PM -	6:35 PM
<u>Improve SC Trail Access/Communications</u>			
Trails update - Jim Edwards	0:08 min	6:35 PM -	6:43 PM
<u>Improve SCHC public relations</u>			
Rescue Committee Update - BB Weavil	0:08 min	6:43 PM -	6:51 PM
<u>General discussion</u>	0:10 min	6:51 PM -	7:01 PM
Old business - Sponsorship revisions - Kaye New business - Stick Horses - Betty New Board Member - Cecil			
<u>Wrap Up</u>			
Determine location & time for next meeting	0:06 min	7:01 PM -	7:07 PM
Review Action Items	0:05 min	7:07 PM -	7:12 PM
Coach's comments	0:03 min	7:12 PM -	7:15 PM
<u>Adjourn meeting - Travel safely</u>	7:15 PM		

Meeting Roles

Discussion Leader: Cecil Watkins
Scribe: Kaye Watkins
Timekeeper: Bill Steele
Gatekeeper: Jim Edwards
Coach: Tim Sigmon