

SCHC Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

April 3, 2007

Dan Ramage Conference Center

Bluff Road, Columbia, SC

Vice President Linda Klein presided over the monthly meeting due to Bobby Anderson's being out sick.

VP Klein welcomed everyone and asked that the meeting begin. Chris Tyler lead us in prayer

Guests attending this meeting were Donna Patterson, Carol Deacon, Skip & Juantia Ardis, Kaye Watkins, Anne Edwards.

Minutes were reviewed and several corrections were made. (See attached corrections).

Kaye Watkins was asked about her nomination for the Secretary position and said she would accept it. A motion was made by Tim Sigmon and seconded by Jim Edwards nominating Kaye as Secretary. The motion passed with no opposition. At this point Kaye began taking minutes of the meeting.

The financial sheet was handed out with some discussion. There were questions that only President Anderson will be able to answer. It was agreed by the Board to Table this until he returns.

Committee Reports:

Financial: Cecil Watkins and others have been working to find someone to fill the Treasurer position. Two people had expressed interest and were present for the meeting. They were Donna Patterson of Clemson & Carol Deacon of Rock Hill. Once a Treasurer is on Board to chair the Finance Committee a plan will be developed for conducting an audit.

Legislation: Tim Sigmon, chairperson, has talked with Marion Frye about the Promotion Bill. Marion Frye has stated he doesn't like the concept and has no plans of allowing it to pass out of subcommittee. David Branaham & Mary Ellen Tobias have stated if SCHC doesn't get on board the bill is dead.

Publication: Anthony Dyches, chairperson, sent word he will get business cards sent to members.

Membership: Mary Quarles, chairperson, no info at present.

Trails & Rec: Ray Bishop, chairperson, spent some time at Kings Mtn. State Park. The Park is promoting Friends of the Park to get others to join in and help with trail upkeep and whatever else may be necessary. Also, a multi-use connector trail from Cowpens Military Park into Kings Mtn is being introduced by the Cherokee County Council as their Greenway Project.

Education: Nicole Cunningham, chairperson, has lots of ideas. She is thinking about a vaccine clinic for remote areas of the state to vaccinate and educate people about EWT and West Nile. Wayne Griffin, Nutrina Feeds Rep., hopes to open a store in Camden and she would like to get him to do a demo about nutrition in conjunction with SCHC. Also, wants SCHC to sponsor a camp for youth members.

Youth: Linda Klein, chairperson, would like to get more involved with young folks, pony clubs, 4-H groups, associations such as YAQHA, YPHA, Ponies of the Americas and have them get more involved with the SCHC as well.

Show: Linda Klein, chairperson, informed everyone of the upcoming Barrel Race show at Voxton Farms on May 26, 2007. Everyone is STRONGLY encouraged to get 2 sponsors each.. Need to raise \$1500.

Annual Meeting: no report

Public Relations: no report

Nominating: Cecil Watkins, chairman, stated that the By-laws need to be reviewed with some possible changes anticipated. Plans to have the committee get together to review this soon, so that nominees will be communicated prior to annual meeting from this point forward. There was a lot of discussion on committee membership and the by-laws were read. Cecil asked for a committee member from each district. Members were recommended as follows: Dist 1 - Jim Edwards, Dist 2 - Nicole Cunningham, Dist 3 - Cecil Watkins, Dist 4 - John Conner, Jr., Dist 5 – Rebecca Housley. These were approved as the nominating committee.

SETC: Jim Edwards gave a brief history about the SECT. Eleven eastern states are involved. The conference will be held in July 2007 in Nashville, Tenn. In SC possibly during July of 2008, although date has not been finalized. There is a lot to be done and decisions to be made. Jim and his committee have been to several meetings. He gave a hand out which reported in detail what the SETC has been doing and things to do. One thing Jim mentioned was we needed to raise \$10,000 by July 2007. The USDOT will match this with a grant. An application for a competitive grant was submitted to the SC Budget and Control Board, requesting \$30,000. Jim said he needs a lot of help and “If I ask you to do something the answer is ”YES”.

Old Business: Chris Tyler wants SCHC to sanction their arena, and get insurance through SCHC. It was suggested that we take a look at what can be done to help them. Linda agreed to check on potential liability issues for the Council.

New Business:

New Vice President position - A motion was made by Cecil to consider a proposed job description for one of the additional vice presidents approved at the annual meeting. The description was passed out and discussed. Rebecca Housley asked if we could rename it, from VP of Internal Affairs to Vice President of Administration. All agreed with the duties and change of name. Jim Edwards seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

Treasurer - Donna Patterson and Carol Deacon both offered themselves as candidates for the Treasurer position. Carol withdrew her name as a candidate, Cecil Watkins made the motion to accept Donna Patterson as the Treasurer and Carol Deacon as the VP of Administration. Linda Klein made a motion to table the vote on these positions. Ray Bishop seconded the motion. The vote to table resulted in a tie, so the motion failed.

Carol raised the question that if she should take this position, would she have the full support of the board in carrying out her duties, since it could mean changes to how things are done now. A show of hands was asked for and everyone raised their hand that they would support her.

Cecil retracted his original motion and made a motion that Donna Patterson be placed in nomination and elected as Treasurer. John Conner 2nd. The motion passed.

The motion was made by Cecil Watkins and seconded by John Conner that Carol Deacon be nominated and elected as the Vice President of Administration. The motion passed.

We welcome Donna Patterson as the SCHC Treasurer and Carol Deacon as the Vice President of Administration.

Linda Klein asked that a committee be established to raise money for the SETC. She appointed Rebecca, Kaye, Mary, Nicole, Cecil, and John to serve on it. The objective is to raise \$10,000 by July. She also passed out sponsor slips for the up coming Barrel Show and asked everyone to get them sold.

Chris Tyler announced a March of Dimes ride on May 19, more info to follow.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Kaye Watkins
Secretary