

ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES FOR FEB. 20, 2021

The SC Horsemen's Council (SCHC) held their annual meeting during the annual day event, in conjunction with Back Country Horsemen of SC's annual event, at Lee State Park, Bishopville, SC., on Feb. 20, 2021.

SCHC Directors in attendance were: Ila Hanks, Pres., Merry Roberson, Lisa Zappolo, Carl Cartwright, Vance Stine, Dennis Moss, and Ivory Johnson.

Ila called the meeting to order at 11:15am, and welcomed those in attendance.

Treasurer's report was presented by Merry Roberson in the absence of Guy Hannah, Treas. Copies for 2020 yearend report were distributed. Explanation of report was given, and questions answered. Vance Stine made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, 2nd by Carl Cartwright, approved as noted.

2nd on agenda: Voting for new directors. Ila recognized the directors rotating off the board and finishing up their 2nd term. Ila reminded us of the slate of new nominees for 2021 presented from the board, and their profiles were discussed. Ila opened the floor for any new nominations. Marsha Hewitt nominated Dr. Julia Fisher for Dist. 3 Director. Julia presented her profile, and nomination was accepted. Voting on ballots began, Carl Cartwright collected all the ballots, and the counting tally was conducted by Carl Cartwright, Vance Stine, and Dennis Moss. Results were as follows:

Lisa Zappolo - President 25 votes

New Directors :

Gary Biggerstaff, Dist 1 - 22 votes

Dr. Julia Fisher, Dist 3 – 24 votes

Ben Doyle, Dist 5 – 27 votes. There were no contradictions to voting, and all were accepted.

Next on agenda: Ila brought up concerns and challenges during a pandemic, or other unforeseen issues that might occur and effect voting privileges at an annual meeting, or other pertinent times that changes need to be made by vote of the membership. The SCHC bylaws, Section 3.10, Voting of Members, 1st paragraph, clearly states "A member must vote in person". Ila called for requests of the

membership to give input as to how SCHC could be more flexible and accommodating in the future for membership voting. A suggestion by Ila was electronic voting. Ila opened the door for alternate ways of voting, and to amend the current bylaws for voting changes. She asked for any suggestions to be sent to her via email to present to the board of directors and officers within the next 2 weeks. Kathy Swanson, SCHC member and former director, asked for the membership and those present, to please participate in suggestions , and to encourage non members to join SCHC to voice their opinions, especially during this time of a pandemic.

There being no further business, Ila asked for a motion to adjourn.

The annual meeting was adjourned at 11:50am.

Respectfully Submitted, Merry Roberson for Acting Secretary, Wanda Wood