

Genesee County 4-H Horse Leaders Association  
January 9, 2018 Members Meeting Minutes  
Regular Meeting 6:30pm  
Genesee County MSU extension 605 N Saginaw St #1a, Flint, MI 48502

Meeting called to order at 6:37pm

Board members present: Trinity Waterson, Gracie Jordan, Carina Jones, Lori Eastwood, Kristina Jordan, Amber Jones, Miranda Joseph

Board Members absent: Drew Mallery, Hailey Dennis, Sienna Lahti, Jaime Beam

Clubs present: Mane Connection, Equine Excellence, Genesee Equestrians, Lone Rangers

Clubs absent: Trail Blazers

- 1) Pledges
- 2) Treasurer's report
- 3) Heidi Locke – 4H Information
  - a) 4H year runs from Aug 31 to Sep1 (like School)
  - b) We need to pay for the year with this thinking,
  - c) Insurance is now \$20 per kid, \$60 max for family
  - d) If you are at a 4H function, you are covered IF YOU ARE PAID UP and REGISTERED ONLINE
  - e) You do not have to register online – you can fill out a form and Heidi will over ride and get into the system.
  - f) Please contact Heidi Locke with any questions – [hlocke@anr.msu.edu](mailto:hlocke@anr.msu.edu) or call the office at (810) 244-8500
  - g) There are scholarships available with no information required if you need assistance paying your yearly 4H fees. Please contact Heidi about this if needed.
  - h) You can sign up at 4honline.com
- 4) Our GCHLA website is gchla4h.com
- 5) Educational Activity – Sportsmanship Committee Game
  - a) 30 questions for “What would you do?”
  - b) Prizes awarded
  - c) We had 17 youth that played the game.
- 6) Committees:
  - a) Cloverbud:
  - b) Education and Fun: (Combined with Cloverbud – since same people)
    - i) Talked about AD Show
      - (1) Movie night again
      - (2) Dance one night
    - ii) Educational activities at shows and meetings
      - (1) Farrier
      - (2) Dentist at Mane Connection meeting
      - (3) Vet – etc
    - iii) Stick Horse Day at First May Show
  - c) Show Committee:
    - i) 3 show bills finalized now – May 5/6, June 2/3 and Aug 11
    - ii) Helmet Rule – for all in the ring, all ages, all classes, and leaders of CB leadline

- iii) No helmets required for spotters for CB W/T, Judge, Ring Steward
- iv) Online Pre-registration – will be 1 full month, and close week before the show
- v) Will have paper pre-registration options as well, mail or email
- vi) No stall reservations anymore
- vii) We voted previously to not have to clean stalls after the shows
- d) Advertising:
  - i) Will have a meeting soon.
  - ii) Need to talk about online options, low cost options
  - iii) Taking show bills to local businesses
- e) Awards Committee:
  - i) Will have a meeting on Jan 27 (tentative until fully announced)
  - ii) Asked for participation in all award options for all shows
- f) Fundraising Committee:
  - i) Sponsorbook forms and rules
  - ii) Wild Wild West is the theme
  - iii) Artwork due at Feb GCHLA meeting – will be voted on
  - iv) All ads due at end of May 2018
  - v) Checks must clear for show credit to be approved
  - vi) No emailing of ads to Melinda – must be print ready, given to her with money, checks only
- g) Pattern Committee:
  - i) Pattern meetings – 2 so far
  - ii) Will schedule another one Sunday Jan 21<sup>st</sup> at Genesee McDONALDs at 1pm
  - iii) Wanting to create a pattern book for county and fund raiser
  - iv) Quote from Office Max is around \$13 a book, 5-7 days to print
    - (1) Discussion on which to include, maybe not AD since open riders would not need this
    - (2) How to bind
    - (3) Getting other options
    - (4) Still having it online
    - (5) Doing it per show day to keep costs and size down
- h) Grounds and Maintenance:
  - i) Jan 22 meeting with Nancy to go over issues
  - ii) Will present costs of other shows compared to ours
- i) Fair Committee:
  - i) Update next month
- 7) Horse Judging Team: Need a leader – if you are interested contact Lori Eastwood
- 8) Drill Team: Jennifer Santhany had expressed interested, we do not now the status at this time.
- 9) Unfinished Business:
  - a) None
- 10) New Business:
  - a) New Goals for GCHLA for 2018
    - i) 3 of them
    - ii) Ideas:
      - (1) Increase positive communication at GCHLA events
      - (2) Increase youth leadership skills and have the youth leading the meetings, discussions
      - (3) Volunteerism and participation needed in general
        - (a) At Shows
        - (b) Sponsor book
        - (c) Sportsmanship

b) Ideas from meeting attendees:

- i) Volunteer for a spot at a show AND have a backup in case there is an issue
- ii) Get outside kids from schools who need volunteer hours to help, put up posters
- iii) More communication and better communication needed between volunteers
- iv) Youth involvement and Adult involvement at show – WE put these one – and make sure it is announced and people know this is not some group doing this for us, IT IS US!

11) Adjourn at 7:56pm EST

- a) Abby made the motion
- b) Kirsten 2<sup>nd</sup> it

All Attendees of the meeting:

- Lori Eastwood
- Trinity Waterson
- Kaylynn Johnson
- Kevin Hill
- Travis Hill
- Tracy Hill
- Billie Mallery
- Cameryn Mallery
- Jeanette Yaklin
- Kaitlynn Yaklin
- Josie Yaklin
- Leah Yaklin
- Michael Davis
- Callie Giffin
- Abby Shock
- Corrine Blaine
- Melinda Blaine
- Leslie Ethington
- Alyssa Ethington
- Maddy Navare
- Kim Navare
- Stacy Mayne
- Phoenix Fridline
- Kirsten Lahti
- Jean Chalker
- Mark Chalker
- Cali Chalker
- Lily Chalker
- Gracie Jordan
- Kristina Jordan