

HACA BOARD MEETING

January 20, 2008, 4 pm

The Broker/Witte Farm in Magnolia TX

The meeting was called to order at 3:25 pm. In attendance were Al Bulgawicz, Chuck Brown, Marlene Collins, Craig Langseth, Mike McLennan, Bonnie McMurtry, Mark Witte, Keith Yutzy, Claire Zadow. Absent were Terry Arnold and Karen Morris.

Secretary's Report: The minutes from the September 29th Board Meeting were discussed and approved.

Treasurer's Report: \$14,000+ in the account. This includes most of the membership dues, payment of taxes on the trailer and \$3000 received from the Woodlands Parade. A more detailed report will come.

Committee Reports

Safety Committee - Craig Langseth

- Committee includes Craig Langseth, Mike McLennan, Mark Witte, Chuck Brown and Marlene Collins
- Looking for more novice members to be on the committee. Will be opened to the general membership for anyone wanting to assist and learn in apprentice positions.
- the committee will make sure that a safety officer is present at all HACA events.
- Craig suggested that a safety checklist be made up and distributed to anyone wanting to post in their barns, sent to novices wanting copies and posted to the website.

Membership Committee - Sandy Smith

- 72 memberships
- HACA membership information is constantly updated on HACAinfo@yahoo.com. Password - carriage
- A question was asked about who may attend HACA events. It was decided that for insurance purposes, at non-ADS events, if HACA is sponsoring the event, all who attend must be members.

Equipment - Chuck Brown

- Chuck is waiting to pick up the trailer after some repairs are done. He will restock and put new racks and reorganize.

Events - Stella Gordon

- Thanks to all who attended the Jones Forest drive.
- Chuck suggested looking into the Cold Springs area up Hwy 59 for possible drives.
- It was motioned that the General Meeting on April 20 be moved to April 19 in conjunction with the Swap Drive at Haven Hill. Seconded and approved.
- It was motioned that the July 20 General Meeting be moved to July 27 to avoid conflicts. Seconded and approved.

Old Business

- The Christmas Parade was a success.
- HHDT3. Discussion on disbursement of funds from the event. There is \$3594.08 in the account. Mark suggested \$3394.08 be paid to Good Hands Training Center for hosting the event, leaving \$200 in the account for start up for next year. Seconded and approved.

New Business

Mark asked if honorary memberships should be given to presidents of other organizations like NTW to get our information out to those clubs. It was discussed that a lot of members are members of both or several clubs.

HHDT4. Good Hands Training Center will no longer be a co-sponsor of HHDT. A new organizing committee has been formed including Bonnie McMurtry, Al and Susan Bulgawicz, and Claire Zadow. Breaking up the duties into smaller jobs and delegating to other members is foremost. Jerry McLennan has offered to provide her Excel spreadsheet for scoring next year. A list of jobs will be emailed out to all the board members to go over. After the board has made their suggestions and volunteered for all the positions, it will be opened to the general membership and posted to the HHDT website.

Plum Creek. Plum Creek CDE is April 26-27. Swap Drive is March 22.

- Looking for clerks for dressage, cones and marathon. These persons would be responsible for their volunteers.
- Looking for sponsorships and an organizer for the silent auction
- Keith Yutzy is the TD
- Event will include VSEs in the CDE

AMHA Club Show - Al Bulgawicz talked about a driving demonstration at the May 10 event at The Great Southwest Equestrian Center in Katy. Chuck volunteered to bring the HACA trailer and help set up for the demo. Mark Witte will also help. Tom O'Carrol will speak.

Newsletter - Marlene will continue to produce the newsletter if an editor/writer can be found to accumulate and organize articles and information.

There was discussion about HACA monitarily sponsoring other events. Mark suggested that most of the HACA members attend Plum Creek and that if more members start to regularly attend other events that HACA should discuss sponsorships there too.

- Craig motioned that HACA support the Plum Creek CDE with \$1000 sponsorship. Seconded and approved.
- Craig motioned that HACA transfer \$1500 into HHDT account for seed money. Seconded and approved.

Meeting adjourned.