

Rio Verde Horsemen's Association
Board of Directors' Meeting
June 5, 2013

Attendees: Mo Wachman, Marjorie Porter, Claudia Jordan, Judy Riley, Lori Bridwell, Dan Cohorst, Terry Stecyk, Carmela Lizzo
Absent: Jenny Powers
Committees: None other than Board members
Guest: Ray Wallage

Meeting Called to Order: 7:15 p.m.

Tracey House

Mo began the meeting with the announcement that new RVHA member Tracey House had recently passed away due to a horse riding accident. Jenny Powers was absent from the board meeting as she was attending a dinner in Tracey's memory.

Minutes

A correction was made to the May minutes to correct the date of the board meeting. Minutes on file will be updated but not redistributed. Motion to approve with correction, seconded. Minutes approved with correction.

Treasurer's Report

The report distributed in the meeting is current except that the cost for the recent issue of the *Round Up* is not yet included as the money needs to be moved to the checking account. Account balances total \$9,552.92. A motion was made to accept the report, seconded. Passed without comment.

Membership Report

As of today there are 562 total members. This is an all-time high for the RVHA. There are 70 new members for 2013.

Social Committee - Carmela

Burger Night: June 22 at Greasewood Flat.

15th Anniversary Celebration: the date has been changed to October 19 at the Box Bar Ranch. Pictures to be displayed have not yet been reviewed. The deposit for the event has been sent. Nena Henry, RVHA's first president, has expressed a desire to speak at the celebration. Carmela will ask all former presidents if they also wish to speak. It was suggested that the past presidents each be presented with a pin to acknowledge their service to the RVHA. The event might also include a Power Point presentation mixed with additional speakers. Mo will send out an email to the membership seeking further ideas and assistance.

Dinner/Dance: will take place in November at the new fire department on Rio Verde Drive. The fire department will cater the event.

Trail Ride: Terry reported that some members are disappointed that the association does not sponsor more trail rides. Nancy Wilford might want to lead several trail rides before the end of the year. At Tom's Thumb Trailhead horses are not available for rent and members might want this option. Lori may be willing to rent out some of her horses for the rides. Carmela recommended that flyers be displayed announcing upcoming trail ride events.

Holiday Bazaar: Vicki Beseke, associate member who lives in Rio Verde, has said that she is willing to notify residents of Tonto Verde and Rio Verde of our upcoming holiday bazaar.

Facebook – Terry

There are currently 142 likes on the Facebook page. Terry has included information on horses who are available for adoption through AERO

Welcome Committee - Claudia

Claudia has had difficulty contacting new homeowners. She proposes that initially post cards be sent out to see if newcomers would be interested in hearing from the RVHA. She would be willing to do the mailings which would include the RVHA logo on the card. Copies of the RVHA newsletter would be offered to the new homeowners.

Old Business

15th Anniversary – previously discussed above.

Bylaws Report – Marjorie

Barbara Elliott will join the committee along with Marjorie, Marlene Kinsella and Ray Wallage. A committee meeting is planned for late June in which officer terms and board elections will be addressed. The committee intends to ultimately review the entire set of bylaws.

ACTHA - Lori

Lori went on an ACTHA ride last week. She and her horse did very well placing 5th in the competition. Lori may put on a similar event at her facility possibly in October. It would be a competitive clinic. ACTHA will put on an event in November at McDowell Mountain Park. Lori's clinic would help participants prepare for the November competition.

New Business

Thank you to Ray – Ray's 6 years' service to the RVHA was recognized by Mo. Ray was presented with a crystal paperweight inscribed with the RVHA logo and his years of service after which the board members expressed their thanks and appreciation.

Refreshment List - A sign-up sheet was distributed among the board members for bringing refreshments to the board meetings September through June of next year.

Selection of New Logo - Mo presented the top 10 logo choices previously voted on by the board via email. It was noted that several of those entries would be too difficult to embroider and produce. All of

the logos were identified by number, no names were provided. By raise of hands, with Mo abstaining as she had an entry in the group, the choices were narrowed to the top 3. Discussion again followed regarding ease of production and what best suited the RVHA. A final vote was taken with the following results: Mo Wachman, first place; Lee Prosser, second place; and, Micky Jansen, third place. Lori thereafter suggested that Julie Saxe may be able to refine and include color in the winning logo with Adobe Illustrator. Lori will contact Julie in this regard.

In addition to the \$250 previously approved by the board for the winning entry, It was suggested that the board approve a monetary award for second and third places. Motion to award second place \$75.00 and third place \$50.00, seconded and passed.

Board of Directors Membership Fees - Judy suggested that members of the board receive free memberships following each year of service. After a brief discussion the topic was tabled until the September board meeting.

Service Directory - Terry recommended that the board consider preparing a service directory for use by RVHA members when seeking help or assistance with projects. The directory could possibly be published every 2 years and could be available for a charge or be free with paid advertisements. Board members expressed their desire that the listing not conflict with the RVHA Round Up advertisers. Topic tabled until September board meeting.

For the Good of the Association

None

Motion to adjourn: 8:50pm

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, September 4 at Arizona Cowboy College. Refreshments and social 6:30pm; 7:00pm meeting begins.