

## **Meeting Minutes - May 18, 2021**

Meeting was called to order at 7:40 pm

**Board Members Present** – Joan Smith, Lesley Darrin, Kathy Graham,

**Other Individuals**- Megan Good, Emily Twilley-Selvey, Cassie Reifsnyder

April 2021 Meeting Minutes were approved with a motion from Joan and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kathy

**Treasurers Report** – None given

### **Reclaiming the Reins**

Lesley talked to Dana regarding an update for the meeting and was informed that she was waiting for the mask restrictions to be lifted before having another session. Emily knew nothing about this information and will talk to her about the mask restrictions at the barn since things are lifting everywhere.

### **Past Events**

No past events to report from the previous month

### **Future Events**

Sempre Dolce Event is still pending for the fall.

Spring Clean up at the Barn –

will be this coming weekend. Anyone that is available to come and help it will be appreciated. We need to lay mulch, weed whack around all of the piles, remove bushes and clean up the property in general. Since Lesley is having knee surgery she is not able to mow the lawn and her dad has volunteered to help so we need to make sure that we do not have any obstacles.

Front Line workers open house –

it was discussed as to whether we need to have these open houses anymore since things are lifting regarding COVID. *Megan* brought up a good point that we should have them for a little bit since we are asking for funding for this program. The board agreed to extend the open house events through the summer. Lesley asked if we could have board members volunteer for a date so that not one person is stuck doing them since she will be laid up and not available. It was determined that Saturdays are better for these events. So it was determined that the 2 times a month they will be held. Lesley will create the events and then send reminder to the board to pick a date.

Summer Camps – the dates are posted.



## Grants update –

Megan submitted the Doris Day Animal Foundation grant for Feed, Hay, Bedding for Senior horses in the amount of \$2,150.00

We also received the Onyx & Breezy Grant for \$1,465 for grain, hay bedding which goes directly to the feed store. And the Allstate Helping Hands Foundation Grant for \$500.00 from Cassie's work.

We received the jump drive from Dan, but it has not been reviewed to see what is on it.

## Operations Update

Tango –

is still dealing with lice, his adoption is on hold. Emily needs to talk to Rian and Eily about his adoption/sponsorship.

Natagar –

Megan McCarron is going to take him on a trail basis to see if things are ok with he and Remy. If so she will be adopting him. Caroline was asked if she wanted and she can not adopt since she is still in school.

Honey –

has not been adopted yet, need to send Erin the paperwork.

Lozen –

need to send Ann the paperwork for that adoption.

Smoke –

Elena needs paperwork sent to her for adoption

Hedy –

a question was raised as to what happens with her sponsorship at the end of the year. Either Saraya adopts her or she goes back to being available for adoption. The goal is for Saraya to obtain a sponsor that will help her with the adoption and stall fee every month.

Jake/Tammy –

Joan asked if Tammy has been coming to see Jake. According to Emily and Lesley she is not communicating with anyone right now. She needs to communicate with someone so we know what is going on. Joan asked if we have any recourse regarding him, we do in the adoption application we have first right of refusal and also the ability to seize him if necessary. Last communication that anyone had with Tammy was when the vet came to check on him and Emily informed her that he did not have a neurological problem. And that he needs worked and conditioned. The board has serious concerns about Jake, they know that Tammy and Jake have a bond but he is getting forgetting and showing signs of that every day and the volunteers and board are concerned. Emily will send a message and ask when she is coming out. If we need to ask Renee for something in writing about him we will do that. Emily will have a conversation with Tammy and explain that he needs to be in training and she needs to have a consistent schedule for 2 months, otherwise the board is going to react on him. He is having issues with the farrier because he is not being worked.

Laura Ashley clinic will be June 5 & 6



#### **New Mare/New Gelding –**

Emily had a conversation with a horse owner at Boyd Martin Barn as well as Boyd about possibly donating 2 horses to the program.

One is a mare, her hip is capped and Boyd is interesting in donating her to the program. There is nothing wrong other than that and she is rideable. Waiting to hear back from him regarding the donation and paperwork. She is a 4-5 year old Trakainer Full Breed.

The other horse Shane is a gelding Irish Sport Horse, 10 year old that has an aggravated suspensory on right hind that needs minor surgery at New Bolton. He cant compete at the highest levels of FEI anymore and anything other than that is below the riders level so they are interested in donating him to us. He does cross country and eventing. CeCe potential adoption right away and he will be used in the lesson program.

Both of these horses would fall under the IRS donation requirement of a certain amount and would require that they not be adopted for a certain period of time. Cece will sponsor shane during that time until she can adopt.

Emily would like to promo and thinks it would be great for us since its Boyd Martin. Megan did raise some concerns with promoting too much and remembering to keep to our mission.

#### **Brownie –**

Megan asked if we got a follow up from New Bolton on Brownie and what they discovered. Emily reported that there was nothing to report, that she was donated for female thing and a fertilization study.

#### **Junior PFF Team**

Nothing to report.

#### **Old Business**

Equisizer court date was rescheduled to June 9<sup>th</sup>.

RCap was discussed and what the status is. We are currently waiting for a response from someone about where things are. We made it through the first public comment period.

#### **Fundraisers**

Spring flower sale – we raised \$700.00

Megan asked if we were good with doing the flower sale in fall. The board approved that we are ok to continue with the flower fundraiser in the Spring, Fall & Christmas. There was discussion about possibly having the Spring fundraiser be held differently last year since we had to change somethings because the nursery sold out, we are not sure if this was just a fluke this year or not. We do have the ability to prepurchase flowers and then sell them. Possibly thought for next year.



### **New Business**

Emily asked if everyone was ok with complying with the CDC guidelines regarding masks. That if people are vaccinated they are not required to wear a mask, and others it would be their personal preference if they would like to wear a mask or not. Horse owners still need to give notice if they are coming to the barn just so we are aware of the number of people. Emily will send an update to the horse owners regarding that just as a reminder.

Market on chocolate reached out to us to see if we were interested in coming this year. We discussed giving them dates in August and September as possibilities for attending.

**Meeting was adjourned at 9:40PM**