

Board of Directors Meeting

April

Fort Harrod Back County Horseman

Meeting called to order at 7PM

Roll call: directors present included Emily Dennis, Dayna Nelson, Pat Warner, Essie Rodgers, Bob Cairns, Greg Mason, David Rule, Carol Conover, and John Bates with Dennis Blackburn excused. Members present included Carla Perry, Cynn timer Bates, Melissa McGuire and Brian Rogers.

Emily Dennis request that checks be made out for the previously agreed ½ cost of the KyBCH website at a total of \$77.55. This includes ½ of 2008 and all of 2009.

Carla Perry, Emily Dennis and Cynthia Higgins have completed form 1023 required for nonprofit 5013c status. There is a \$300.00 one time application fee to be paid to the Internal Revenue Service. There is an anticipated grant from KHC for \$500.00. \$300.00 will be used to replace the cost of the 5013c cost and the remaining \$200.00 will be used for the annual meeting. History of the organization to date and all events to date and those planned for the next year as well as financial data were included in the application. There was a motion to approve payment for the application made by Bob Cairns and a second by Essie Rogers with all in agreement.

Annual Report has been filed with the State of Kentucky by Pat Warner and is online.

Lexington's 4th of July parade committee has asked if FHBCH is interested in sending an entry fee for the group of \$25.00 to participate in the parade. The parade is on a Saturday at 2PM. Essie Rogers states that it would be good advertisement for the group but only if there are a sufficient number of persons that actually show up. David Rule and others of the group bring up potential for injury in such a large group. Emily to send out an email to question how many members will be interested in participating. Motion by Greg Mason that FHBCH is willing to pay the \$25.00 entry fee if we have at least 10 members willing to participate.

We also suggest that rides have insurance such as that offered by KHC. Dayna Nelson offered a second and all agreed.

Emily clarifies that we as a group do not have monthly membership meeting from April to September in that these are the months that we work on trials, and have educational offerings. During these education sections we come together as a group with a meeting when appropriate.

Carol Conover request that someone from FHBCH give an informative talk about the function of this group to members of Riding for the Son who will be meeting with a ride and pot luck 4/19, 10AM at Eagles Nest.

Dayna Nelson to buy Thank-You cards for the group and submit the expensive to the Treasurer for reimbursement.

Dennis Blackburn asked Emily to remind all of the upcoming Leave No Trace and Chainsaw certification class.

Carla Perry led the discussion regarding the annual meeting: To be held on June 11th, starting at 6:30 pm with a welcome from Emily Dennis and handout of the ballots to all members. The first year all the Board of Directors are to be voted on with reported results by the end of the annual meeting. Melissa McGuire, Beth Glassier and Carla Perry to handle the ballots. There are 9 directors required with 3 serving 3 year terms, 3 serving 2 year terms and 3 serving 1 year terms. Officers to be elected from the Board of Directors include President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Public Relations each serving 2 year terms. Nominations for Board of Directors will be done at a May meeting with all nominated agreeing to a 3 years term but the actual length to be decided by the drawing of straws. Essie adds that one sheet of paper should be used per voting person with 9 ballots printed on this one sheet. Also having a May meeting gives the required time for notification of any changes in the bylaws. The directors who also function as officers must serve 2 year terms with limits of 2 consecutive terms and 1 year off before the possibility of re-election. It is suggested that to save time, Emily will give the introduction and business report to include a year end Treasurer's report by Pat Warner while the ballots are being given out and before the potluck dinner. Immediately after the dinner election ballots will be collected. Beth and Melisa will orchestra the potluck meal with FHBCH buying the meat and all members

bring a dish to share. June 6th is RSVP date so we can insure that we have enough food. Speakers suggested include a local person from Resource, Conservation and Development for a 15 min talk regarding the services they provide. The second speaker suggested would be a DVM speaking on “What’s new” in the care of horses. After the speakers election results will be available with adjournment at 9PM. Invitations to be sent to special guest such as The Michael and Carol Conover, KHC, UKE, County Judge, other members of county and city government. Essie Rogers to offer a press release in the local paper regarding the annual meeting and potluck. Door prizes were also suggested with Dayna Nelson to start the collection process. Tickets for the door prizes at the door. A power point presentation of rides and trail work done by FHBCH.

Bob Cairns reports on Shaker Village and National Trails Day 6/6. The first ride out will be at 10AM and several trail leaders will be needed. The second ride out will be at 2PM. Box Lunches will be sold. KHC will be providing the education offerings and the usual \$7.00 fee to ride at Shaker Village will be waived. News of Adventure Day at Shaker Village to be published KHC, BCHA, National Parks Service, and hopefully, if time permits by Trail Riders site.

Greg Mason’s report on The Beef Festival: He has contacted Insurance companies for quotes of insurance required to offer pony rides at the festival. 4H Extension Office is only for 4H events, Whitneck quoted \$250-\$300 for one day, Farm Bureau to call back with quote. Carol Conover has agreed to donate \$500.00 to FHBCH in which she states could be used for insurance and funding for the FHBCH annual meeting. Members question as to whether there is any other private vendors offering pony rides. Suggestion of \$2.00 per pony ride. Other suggested activities Kiss the cow/Oxen, booth with membership info, and Power Point display with groups activities.

John Bates reports on the formation of the KyBCH in that a vote is needed as to whether we will be involved at the state level. Motion by Essie Rogers for FHBCH to actively be involved as a chapter on the KyBCH with a second by Greg Mason. There are now four chapters in the state with Red River Gorge, Western KY, Clay Wildlife and Mammoth Cave groups. Denis Blackburn and John Bates request an alternate member from FHBCH be involved in formation of the state bylaws and maintain the 2 vote position of FHBCH if either Dennis or John are not able to

attend. David Rule nominated Dayna Nelson as an alternate with a second by Greg Mason.

Eagles Nest Clean-up April 19th.

Assembly of God has cut out a trail ending in a campsite and Teepees at Eagles Nest.

Temporary markers for Eagles Nest will be on plates, prices for copies of the maps are approximately \$100.00. Brian and Essie Rogers to donate \$50.00 towards the cost of the maps. Discussion for displaying and having maps available included a possible kiosk with involvement of the Boys Scouts or as a Senior Project. Final map distribution will be at the annual meeting. John Bates and Carol Conover to make final corrections and Essie Rogers to add text to the map with a suggestion from Carol Conover of “Eagles Nest Equestrian Trails, No Motorized Vehicles, No Alcohol”.

Lunch and Learn at Shaker Village 6/6 as part of Adventure Day .

August 1, “Is Your Horse Fat” (body scoring), by Essie Rogers/KHC, at Big Red Stable, with ride that PM.

Natural Horsemanship in conjunction with Riding for the Son upcoming.

Participation in the 4th of July parade in Lexington.

Next year and hopefully an annual event will be a Coggins and teeth floating clinic at Big Red Stables. This will be set-up in January for the clinic to be held in March.

Greg Mason request that Volunteer Hours be turned in monthly.

May 16th Shaker Village clean-up and also the Harlan County ride.

April 18th Clean-up Shaker Village contact Bob Cairns.

April 19th Clean-up Eagles Nest contact John Bates.

Motion to adjourn at 10:05 by David Rule with a second by Essie Rogers.

