FAIRFIELD/ WESTCHESTER PHA CHAPTER MEETING MONDAY OCTOBER 12, 2020

The "zoom" meeting of the FW/ PHA was called to order by President Fred Schauder at 7pm. There were 29 members signed in. We are saddened to hear of the passing of Gary Gauruder. The minutes were read from the September meeting and were accepted as presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The financial report for the period was presented by Chris Dwyer and accepted as read. A copy of this is on file with the recording secretary.

CORRESPONDENCE: There was no report.

AID TO MEMBERS: There are no requests for aid at this time.

CHARITABLE DONATIONS: The chapter will donate \$500 towards the National PHA Finals.

MEMBERSHIP:

Fred and Sue Becher are now life members. Renewal membership of Liz Noble will be tabled until the next meeting.

JR/ ASSOCIATE PHA: There was no report.

HIGH SCORE PROGRAM COMMITTEE:

There are eight entries signed up so far for the 2021 season.

Coolers, trophies, vests and ribbons are all set and ready for our finals and year end awards. Set up for finals will be Friday October 16th starting at 9 am.

USEF/ USHJA COMMITTEE: There will be more info on the next PHA zoom meeting.

WEBSITE COMMITTEE: There was no report.

HIGH SCORE BANQUET COMMITTEE:

All year end awards will be given out at our finals on October 17th at Gardnertown Farm.. Tentative date for the 2021 banquet will be November 19th.

JUDY RICHTER AWARD:

It is Judy's wish that the topic for this years award be the following:

"How have you made good use of the pandemic to become better Equestrians? What have you learned beyond the ordinary"? The winner will receive a \$500 certificate to be used for lessons with any PHA member in good standing, a junior membership for one year and all entry fees for one horse ridden by the winner at either of our PHA shows. Applications can be found on the PHA website at fwpha.com. Deadline for essays is November 30th.

NORMAN BRAY AWARD: This award will be postponed until 2021 because of its importance. "Art of" Clinic: No report.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE: No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

The nomination list for the slate of officers is closed. The nominees are:

President: Barb Filippelli (Brace yourself Effie!)

Vice Presidents: Fred Schauder, Scott Tarter, Missy Wright (vote for two)

Treasurer: Chris Dwyer

Corresponding Secretary: Christine Nastasi, Brittany Kochiss, Liz Tarter

Recording Secretary: Amanda Ek

You may cast your vote at vote@fwpha.com or you may mail in your choices to Twin Lakes

Farm, 960 California Rd. Bronxville, NY 10708

NEW BUSINESS:

There needs to be some significant marketing and promotion of the PHA and who we are be it social media, fliers, posters, pigeons, signal corps...we need help. Please contact either lynn Peters at lynnpeters10@aol.com or Barb Filippelli at valleypondfarm@gmail.com if you can help.

A discussion was had regarding putting the PHA class back into the USEF rule book. We would also like to know what drives / entices a trainer or exhibitor to attend a certain horse show. What are the criteria you are looking for?

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Barb Filippelli