

KSRP BOARD MINUTES
September 13, 2005
Lowell Fire Station 7:00

Board members present: Lynn Schumacher, Rita Kunnell, Gail Roderick, Paul Jackson & Carolyn Reinberg & Tom Luehrs
Guests & instructors present: Karin Schmidt, Amy Plets, Marge Palczewski & Ginny Luehrs.

I. Committee Reports:

A. Secretary: August minutes approved.

B. Treasurer: Checking: ?
High Interest Checking: ?

There is no treasure's report tonight, Louise went AWOL. (update: since this month's meeting was a week early, dear Louise forgot and went on her annual trip to Shipshiwana with her family!)

C. Chairman's report: no report

D. Ways & Means: Carolyn's sorority, Laureate Beta Rho, did an amazing job gathering prizes for the Ride-A-Thon! , One member in particular, Elsie Pissott, made tons of phone calls and gathered dozens of restaurant gift certificates and such. Louise and her family also donated many, many nice prizes. Jon Hoeksema donated hundreds of dollars worth of hardware through his business. Thank you all! Our prize coordinator, Bev Haglund, appreciates the support and is willing to continue in this capacity.

Karin is coordinating a rider's demonstration at the Ride-A-Thon. We are expecting a reporter from the GR Press.

Tom called Larry Bignall for information regarding the rental of the office trailer.

E. Horse Herd: We have a new horse, Eagle, and pony, Mandy. Eagle is working out well, but Mandy has been lame and is on bute. Her owner is sure it is only because she was trimmed too short.

Luehrs were asked if Ben can come back, but Ginny said not until the herd is being fed twice a day.

Dana sent an e-mail asking whether or not she was going to be employed as a herd feeder. Amy said she e-mailed her and had not gotten a reply. Karin suggested a phone call. Gail added that we shouldn't hire a person and then not employ them. Up to now, Amy and Deb have been able to do all the feeding. Amy will continue to try to contact Dana and set up some job-share times.

F. Grounds & Maintenance: The North pasture needs hot wire installed around the top. Tom wants to use 14 gauge, anything less is too thin. Amy suggested we purchase a solar fencer. Rita made a motion to purchase the fencer, Gail seconded, motion passed. A fencing work bee was set for Monday, September 19 at 3:30.

While Tom was on the phone with Larry Bignall, he asked him what was wrong with the tractor. Larry said it was the starter and it also has low compression. Armed with this information, we can now get it repaired and sold.

Thanks to the efforts of many, the burrs are now gone!

We are working on getting the waterers installed/replaced. It will be done by winter. Rita has been playing phone tag with the Equi-Turf company.

G. Tack: no report

H. Volunteers/Recruitment: no report

I. Administration: We will have classes Monday morning and afternoon (Sherri), Monday evening (Amy), Tuesday morning, afternoon and evening (Karin), Wednesday daytime (Amy), Thursday morning and afternoon (Karin), Thursday evening (Amy) and Saturday morning and

afternoon (Brenda). We have a total of 89 riders (there were 57 in the summer) Lynn only had to turn away 1 group.

J. Public Relations: Lynn found out that if a person is photographed at a public event, a photo release is not needed. If a person is interviewed and their name is said or printed, then a photo release is required. We can use the form we use for our students. Karie James from WXTV is coming out September 19 to film for a 10 to 15 minute spot on TV.

K. Instructors & Aides: Our new Aide, Jacqui Babcock, will be aiding on Wednesday and Thursdays during the day. Jacqui is a super volunteer, very good with kids, has a daughter in the program and is very reliable. She has good horse knowledge and lives just up the road from KSRP. She is available Monday - Thursday daytime.

II. Old Business: Next meeting is October 18, 2005 at the Lowell Fire Station, 7:00.

III. New Business: none

Respectfully submitted by: Gail Roderick