

VIAHA General Meeting Minutes
May 1, 2023 Travino Activity Centre, Travino Lane

Present:

Rob Calnan, President
Gerald McDonald, Treasurer
Cindi Wrate, Secretary
Edwina MacDonald, Vice President
Wendy Don, Membership Secretary (via Zoom)
Nichola Wade
Jess Bennie, Director at Large (via Zoom)
Amanda Davies (guest)

Regrets:

Kayla Cockle

General Meeting

1. Call to order 7:20pm
2. Minutes adopted as circulated
 - a. Edwina moved, Rob seconded
3. Treasurer Report
 - a. Expenses incurred included the recognition fee from AHA & the HCBC fees for the open and the Island Classics show; insurance, storage rental; and required memberships
 - b. Gerald introduced the following resolution:
 - i. Whereas, VIAHA Board of Directors wish to change Banking Institution.
Be it Resolved, The Vancouver Island Arabian Horse Association open a Not for Profit Canadian Dollar Banking Account with Island Saving Credit Union at the Cedar BC Branch.
Further be it Resolved, that the signing authority will be any two on the following:
Rob Calnan, Director
Gerald McDonald, Treasurer
Wendy Don, Membership Secretary
Effective immediately

Moved by Nichola Wade; seconded by Rob. Carried.
 - c. Gerald introduced the following resolution:
 - i. Whereas, VIAHA Board of Directors wish to close the current bank accounts with the Bank of Montreal.
Be it Resolved, That the Treasurer Gerald McDonald close out the Canadian \$ Account # 8966-971 and US \$ Account 4605-350.
Moved by Gerald; seconded by Wendy. Carried.
 - d. Wendy has reviewed the financial statements for 2022/2023, and has found no errors or omissions.

4. Membership report:
 - a. A few memberships are due for renewal. Wendy will contact.
 - i. 15 adult members
 - ii. 10 3-year memberships
 - iii. 1 youth member
5. May 27th show
 - a. Prize List has been posted.
 - b. Clarification was sought regarding the number of High Points for youth. Gerald requested that the Prize List be adjusted to match class divisions, and be re-posted. Wendy to follow up.
 - c. Discussion was held regarding Saanich Fairground expenses, damage deposit requirement, and ring alternatives for future shows.
 - d. Paul will set up. Volunteers have been requested; to be confirmed by Edwina.
6. Island Classics – June 10th
 - i. Terry will steward dressage; and will judge the regular main ring classes
 - ii. Monique Fraser is judging sport horse and dressage.
 - iii. Surrounds will be rented from Cadora
 - iv. Ribbons to be counted and ordered
 - v. Edwina to recruit volunteers
 - vi. Prize List is posted on VIAHA website
7. Gerald provided an overview of the Regional Meeting & AGM
 - i. Financial overview was presented
 - ii. AGM was held; Gerald provided an overview of the meeting; look for Region 17 minutes on the region17aha.com website
8. Saanich Fair update
 - i. Jim Cunningham will be judge
 - ii. The dog & pony class with the Capital City Comets agility club will occur on Sunday afternoon.
 - iii. Sample prize list is being finalized; will be online entries
 - iv. Some class adjustments are occurring.
 - v. A joint fair meeting will be held next week.
9. New business
 - i. Preferences / purpose / visioning / question was raised by Gerald. A compelling topic for the club in a changed environment/world. Discussion ensued.
 - ii. Rob has stepped down from the position of President. Gerald has volunteered to fill the role until fall elections.
10. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm

Next meeting June 5th. At Travino Activity Centre, 7:00 pm