

VIAHA Meeting Minutes
June 5, 2023
Travino Activity Centre, Travino Lane

Present:

Gerald McDonald, Treasurer
Cindi Wrate, Secretary
Wendy Don, Membership Secretary
Kayla Cockle, Director at Large
Jess Bennie, Director at Large (via Zoom)

Regrets:

Rob Calnan, President
Edwina MacDonald, Vice President
Nichola Wade

General Meeting

1. Call to order 7:15pm
2. Minutes adopted as circulated
 - a. Wendy moved, Jess seconded
3. Treasurer Report
 - a. Gerald shared financial results to date. There was a loss for the May 27th show due to a disappointing turnout. Discussion ensued regarding some of the barriers to showing at the fairgrounds, including stall fees and the requirement for paid overnight attendance to any horses on site.
Thank you to club volunteers who supported the show.
 - b. The new account at Island Savings is active, and former accounts will be closed.
 - c. Discussion ensued regarding some fundraising ideas.
4. Membership report:
 - a. A few memberships are due for renewal. Wendy will contact members who have memberships expiring this month. Current memberships are:
 - i. 25 adult members
 1. 10 3-year memberships
 2. 15 1-year members
 - ii. 2 youth members
5. May 27th show
 - a. Discussion ensued regarding the advantages/disadvantages of alternative venues.
6. Island Classics – June 10th
 - a. Volunteer positions were reviewed. Dressage set-up will be on Friday night.
 - b. A discussion was held regarding ribbons, and the potential to re-use good quality donated ribbons.
 - c. Discussion was held regarding an overnight presence at the Fairgrounds to enable overnight stabling.

7. Region 17 Show: Club commitment to Pre-Show was discussed.
8. Saanich Fall Fair
 - a. Prize List draft is complete. The Fair catalogue will be reviewed. People will be encouraged to enter online.
 - b. There have been a number of changes to the Fair show schedule, with greater emphasis on demonstrations.
9. New Business
 - a. Discussion of the new USEF rule which requires all foreign nationals to have USEF membership and complete USEF Safe Sport and timing of this new requirement.
10. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm

Next meeting July 10th at Kingburne Farm 7:00 pm