

VIAHA Meeting Minutes
October 2, 2023
Travino Activity Centre

Present:

Gerald McDonald, President; Treasurer
Cindi Wrate, Secretary
Wendy Don, Membership (via Zoom)
Rob Calnan, Director at Large
Jess Bennie, Director at Large (via Zoom)

Regrets:

Nichola Wade
Kayla Cockle
Edwina MacDonald, Vice President

General Meeting

1. Call to order 7:30 pm
2. Minutes adopted as circulated
 - a. Rob moved, Jess Seconded
3. Treasurer Report up to September 2023
 - a. \$500 received for volunteer support of R17 pre-show
 - b. Current bank balance is \$4,557.87
4. Membership report:
 - a. One adult membership expired in September.
 - i. 15 adult 1-year members
 - ii. 10 adult 3-year member
 - iii. 3 youth members
5. New business
 - a. Gerald provided an overview of the Regional Meeting & AGM
 - i. New youth director – Amera Bala
 - ii. Regional Show made a profit in the neighbourhood of \$40,000
 - iii. June 25 – 30, 2024
 - iv. Show Commission: Rob, Marvelle, Sherri, Darlene, Debbie Storey, Lori Moskowich
 - v. WCB will be in BC – date & location to be determined
 - vi. A code of conduct is in development
 - vii. Bursary to Samantha Bos
 - viii. Directory is printed and online
 - ix. Canada's National Show was a success and plans are moving forward for next year
 - x. Next Regional meeting will be March 16, and will be held virtually.

- xi. Carla was re-elected as Director; Donna as Vice Director, Brenda Driediger is a support to the vice director, Rob is Past Director and Secretary.
- b. Saanich Fair update
 - i. A wrap up meeting was held the past week
 - ii. There is some desire to see youth classes return to split age groups.
 - iii. Some monies are expected from the Fair Board in recognition of contributions to the Fair. Some reconciliation is required based on whether exhibitors entered online or through Gerald as entry method.
 - iv. Show overall went well.
 - v. Jodi Moore has been contracted as the judge for next year.
 - vi. Discussion ensued regarding incentive or demonstration classes for the Fair.
- c. EC/USEF
 - i. As of December 1, 2023 any Canadian who is showing in the United States will need to be a USEF member and complete the USA Safe Sport.
- d. VIAHA is coming up to 55 years – Gerald put forward the idea that maybe it is time to have a reunion of club alumni. Food for future thought.
- e. Next meeting: Nov 6 at Travino Activity Centre
- f. Meeting completed 8:45 pm