

Chico Equestrian Association

Business Meeting March 8, 2016

No Speaker

Meeting called to order: 6:25

Minutes: February minutes sent to all board members. Motion to approve by Deni, 2nd by Skip. All Approved.

Treasurers Reports: February report sent to all board members. Motion to approve by Jeff, 2nd by Kathleen; All approved.

Committee Reports: **Scholarship.** Donna. No updates. No applications received.
Membership. After the last mail out to all members, 18 members signed up. Possible phone tree discussed to get previous members back in.

Planned Events: **St. Paddy's Day** event moved to March 20th due to rain. Still need some help in parking and trail leader. Donna suggested an ad in the paper under yard/garage sales to generate interest, especially for the tack sale. Kathleen made a motion to spend \$45.00 for an ad, 2nd by Donna, all approved. **Cowboy Dressage** is still on. Audits are \$25.00 for non members. CEA free. April 23.
Desensitizing Clinic follows on April 24th. 9:00 to 1:30
Possible **trailer loading** clinic by Jeff at a later date. Will need 3-4 hard to load horses.
Back Country Horsemen would like to use our arena to do a packing demo/clinic in April or May

Old Business: The City wants standardized signs throughout the park. Once their rules are established, we can submit our plans for CEA signage.
Lease renewal. Lorie, Kathleen, and Bryan met with Dan E. Dan suggested we try for the 5 year lease with an extension. We will need to get approval from the City Park Commission, and then placed on the consent agenda. Before that, they are requesting more information from our association. They would like info on board members, our by-laws, mission statement and statistics on our events. We are hoping to have our lease approved by May-June.
On another note, Dan also indicated we can use round up on poison oak IF it's on a path used by people or horses.

New Business: A few board members got together and did a little clean up around the arena. Other events to look at: Ranch horse classes, schooling shows, and a general horse day activity geared for public education. Also, Bryan suggested a horsemanship clinic with a minimal fee for members, and a fee for non members.

Skip will work on the Drakesbad ride again.
Jeff mentioned a ride at Meadow Brook.

Guest speaker for April will be Jerry Pohan (sp?) Equine Dentist

Guest speaker for May will be Dr. Jessie.

Tammy also knows someone who works with sexually abused girls, who work with dogs and horses for therapy. This may be a possible speaker for June.

Motion to adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Tammy, 2nd by Jeff. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Mathis
Secretary, CEA