

CHICO EQUESTRIAN ASSOCIATION

BUSINESS MEETING

May 9, 2017

Guest speaker was Megan Grove. A great vaulting demonstration with students from 4 years old to adults. Good information.

Meeting was called to order at 7:25 p.m. at Bidwell Park CEA arena clubhouse.

Minutes: Minutes were sent to all board members. Motion to approve. Donna asked for a correction be made on the last months entry regarding the Patrick Ranch booth. Donna asked that instead of only her name being used as the reason for not attending that, it be worded to say that due to other conflicts, volunteers were unable to be present at the Patrick Ranch. Motion to approve correction as stated made by Sue, 2nd by Tammie. All approved.

Treas. Report: Report sent to all board members for preview. Motion to accept by Skip, 2nd by Kathleen, all approved.

Membership: Lorie reported that we are at approximately 120 members. Discussion followed to find ways to increase membership. One idea is to promote through flyers and encourage donations or memberships to help keep horses alive in Bidwell Park. Kathleen McFarren will make up the flyers so that they may be circulated.

Old Business: Deni said the desensitizing clinic went well. They had plenty of help especially to put things away. There were approximately 25 riders and completed the day by 3:00 pm. She would like a membership list next time to help sort through paperwork. The tack sale did not draw any extra customers.

Lorie reported that due to costs and time constraints that she would still like to have a cowboy dressage clinic. Will look at other dates

Lorie said the Lease is finally signed. There is some talk of the future lease renewal and if CARD would be getting involved or not.

Deni and Jeff talked about doing a clinic for curbing bad horse habits. Maybe do this instead of another desensitizing clinic. Date TBA.

New business: Membership would like to do another ice cream social. Previously held in July. We will not have a business meeting in July, but an ice cream social along with bringing horses would be fun.

The grounds around the arena has been cut by Carmen landscaping. The cost was \$960.00. General feeling is that it is expensive, however, we don't have the volunteers to do the work. We may need to get other bids..

Jeff suggested we do another breed demo/horse expo in the park again. We will discuss that at a later time for a possible fall event.

Lorie suggested we hold a pancake breakfast, maybe include it with a ride in the park on Labor Day weekend.. Could also ask 4-H or FFA for help.

Next guest speaker will be Kiera Veach. Topic is Feather River College horse program.

Next Meeting at Lorie's office June 13th

Motion to adjourn by Kathleen, 2nd by Sue. Approved.

Respectfully submitted

Donna Mathis

Secretary, CEA