



Call to order – 12:05 p.m.

1. Opening remarks

President Allan Ehrlick welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the Directors. He advised that Financial Statements were available for everyone at the meeting.

2. Request and agreement to switch items 4 and 6 on the agenda.

Approval of Agenda

Motion: to approve agenda.

Moved: Susan Legge

Second: Fred Buchanan

Carried

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion: to approve minutes from November 27th, 2009

Moved: Mark Dobrindt

Second: Bonnie Simpson

Carried

4. Business Arising from the Minutes (Action Items)

N/A

5. Executive Director's Report

Dianne Graham reflected on the significant work that has been done by the OEF over the past year and reflected on where we were, where we are now, and how we are positioned to go forward.

Dianne thanked OEF staff for their hard work and introduced them along with the Board of Directors.

Advised that membership has increased by 5% over the previous year, however our goal is to increase membership further. HFC/Industry memberships down by 8% and we are currently working on program improvements that will help to increase interest and membership.

In the area of Competition, we are hoping to establish funding for a fair program that will promote the reintroduction of riding and equestrian events into the local community fairs. There is also a great deal of work advancing the ESD (Equestrian Skills Development) program.

The Education Program is being reenergized after being stalled over the past year. Our new emphasis, in addition to keeping the current program running, is to push the piloting of new programs here in Ontario, and to educate the public on the value of certified instructors and coaches.

A great deal of work has been done in the Marketing area. Programs were overhauled, the website and database are being updated. A huge amount of work has been done and these new programs will be ready soon. Marketing is focusing on the message "why be a member" in the creation of programs, new marketing initiatives and capitalizing on opportunities that can be introduced with the new website.

Recreation:

- Bonnie Simpson has been working on trails/campgrounds in Ontario.
- The recreation funding program will continue into 2012

Industry Round table:

- From last year's meetings it was determined that an industry round table was needed. A significant amount of work has been done and we will continue to keep you updated as we progress.

Update from Equine Canada/Provincial Status:

- Pleased to report that all provinces are back working together for 2012

CONCLUSION –

The OEF is moving forward updating and upgrading programs and making improvements as we go. A lot of work has been done and more is coming. Good relationships are being developed between the provinces. We will do another membership survey in 2012.

6. Treasurer's Report

Bruce Brown invited auditor, Derek Lederer to come up and go over financials for the year ended March 31, 2011. He noted that an independent auditor had also reviewed the financials

Some changes have been made to the reports. Cash and accounts payable are up significantly. Revenue is down by \$35,000, and expenses are down by \$20,000. There is a spike in accounts receivable which reflects a change in yearend timing.

Some items to note, the OEF is in a sound financial position. Noted that registrations fees were down, but expenses were also down. The report shows where cash came from and where it was used. Bruce thanked Derek for being here tonight and for his continued work with our financial reporting.

Motion: To approve the Financial Reports as presented

Moved: Bruce Brown

Second: Fred Buchanan

Carried

Motion: To appoint Trustee Zweig as Auditor for 2012/2013

Moved: Bruce Brown

Second: Ken Denouden

Carried

7. President's Report

Not much to add beyond the Executive Director's comments. Allan reflected that, in the process of recruiting for a new Executive Director, there were 40 applicants, which was shortlisted to 10 and 5 were ultimately interviewed with Dianne being selected. Allan commented that Dianne has done a great job.

Allan commented on The Spirit of the Horse, at the RAWF and specifically commented on the great Member Appreciation Night that was incorporated into the event for the first time this year – he's received a great deal of positive feedback on the event. Allan thanked Catherine Barker and Mark Dobrindt specifically for their hard work in making the event a success. He also noted the presence of the new booth and expressed his

appreciation that the OEF is updating and improving our brand presence through initiatives like this.

Allan advised that the OEF is working to establishing a closer relationship with the racing industry.

It was also noted that the OEF offices are moving in 2012. The new space will be much improved and more functional than the current workplace and the boardroom is being designed to be very useful to all members and programs.

Allan reflected that the Board of Directors of the OEF are unpaid, voluntary positions and work very hard for the membership.

In closing, Allan commented that all members are entitled to see the OEF's financial reports.

Move to vote.

Request for further nominations from the floor, 3 times.

Candidates asked to introduce themselves – Susan Legge, Lindsey Reeve, Mark Dobrindt, Chris Eaves, and Al Patterson.

Motion: to close nominations

Moved: Bruce Brown

Seconded: Jack de Wit

Carried

8. Council and Committee Reports

Committee and Council Chairs reported on activities undertaken throughout the year.

Associations, Bonnie Simpson –

- Looking for speakers and topics for associations meetings
- Memberships are up and meetings are well attended

Facilities, Grant Field –

- Goal – to get riders in saddles
- Increase engagement of young participants
- Municipalities involved in licensing of facilities
- Reviewing development of this program and changes to existing, ie., site visits on a complaint basis only. Inspection of all facilities across the province is cost prohibitive. May be able to work with municipalities or conservation authority
- Commending the OEF for being proactive on this since it's expected that the industry will eventually be regulated
- We are open to suggestions from the membership

Recreation, Jack de Wit –

- Funding program, in conjunction with Equine Canada, gave \$26,000 toward education and trail development. Bruce Brown and Jack de Wit distributed cheques across the province.
- Board has approved grant funding for \$30,000 toward Recreation programs.

Industry, Bruce Brown –

- Membership is down for this year, but the quality of members is good
- Working to develop more products and programs
- The *Whoa!* newsletter has been improved and is outstanding.
- Roundtable initiatives came out of last year's meeting

Competition, Jeremy Denouden/Dianne Graham -

- Very busy and successful show season this year; congratulations to all competitors and a job well done to competition organizers
- Dianne introduced the panelists for the competition meeting

9. Elections

Election Results for 2012-2013

- Mark Dobrindt
- Susan Legge
- Al Patterson
- Lindsey Reeve

Motion: to destroy ballots.

Moved: Jack de Wit

Second: Fred Buchanan

Carried

10. New Business

Gayle Ecker from Equine Guelph expressed immense gratitude on behalf of the Council of Equine Guelph, to Allan Ehrlick and Dianne Graham and the Board of Directors of the OEF for the \$10,000 donation given to Equine Guelph.

11. Motion to Adjourn

Moved: Fred Buchanan

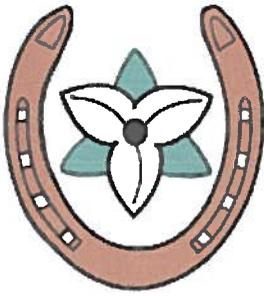
Second: Jack de Wit

Carried

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 01:45 pm

Attendance Sheet attached.



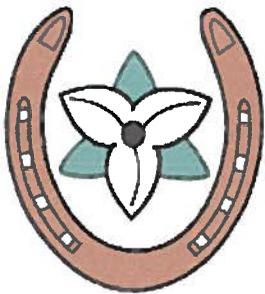
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Martha Worts	Martha Worts
Allan Schlick	Allan Schlick
Al Patterson	Al Patterson
Jeremy Demuden	Jeremy Demuden
Grant Field	Grant Field
JENTIE STEENBEEK	Jentie Steenbeek
Lindsey Reeve	Lindsey Reeve
Sarah Pratt	Sarah Pratt
Rob GREEN	Rob Green
Scott Lark	Scott Lark
Bonnie Simpson	Bonnie Simpson
AMNIE PEACE	Amnie Peace
Henry Swierenga	Henry Swierenga
Chris Leves	Chris Leves
KAROL SHIPLEY	Karol Shipley
Gillian Ross-Frasconi	Gillian Ross-Frasconi
SARA RUNNALLS	Sara Runnalls
LIZ TUCKER	Liz Tucker
ANTHONY WARKE	Anthony Warke
Sherril Wilson	Sherril Wilson
Cathy Wilson	Cathy Wilson



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Pat DiIambro	<i>Pat DiIambro</i>
DJ BARNES	<i>DJ Barnes</i>
home Colvin	<i>R. Colvin</i>
Jed & Anita Buchanan	<i>J Buchanan</i>
Sherril Archadeck	<i>Sherril Archadeck</i>
KATHY ARMSTRONG	<i>Kathy Armstrong</i>
Dady EDWARDS	<i>Dady Edwards</i>
Mary Cook	<i>Mary Cook</i>
WARY GERMAN	<i>Wary German</i>
Jodie German	<i>Jodie German</i>
Rich Assure	<i>Rich Assure</i>
MARIE AKOYAN	<i>Marie Akoyan</i>
M. King	<i>M. King</i>
JAMES SIMPSON	<i>James Simpson</i>
MAUREEN LALONDE	<i>Maureen Lalonde</i>
JANET GRANT	<i>Janet Grant</i>
Melissa Morando	<i>Melissa Morando</i>
Wendy Dyer	<i>Wendy Dyer</i>
Sharon Memester	<i>Sharon Memester</i>
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