WMRC Monthly Meeting January 18, 2017 7pm Weeks Memorial Library

Attendance: 14

There was no secretary's report from the December 19, 2016 meeting.

The Treasurer's report from December 19, 2016 – January 18, 2017 was read by Vicki Herzog. A motion to accept the report as being read was made by David Doolan, the motion was 2nd by JoAnn Culver, zero opposed.

We now have \$1 million in insurance coverage through North American Horseman's Association. Total premium was \$882.00. This covers all of the 2017 horse shows as well as the clinic. The clinician must provide a certificate of insurance or else we will need to get a rider, to be paid for by the clinician.

Regarding our application to the IRS for status as a 501(c) organization, we do not qualify for 501(c) status, but we qualify as a 509(a)(3) organization, which would still make the group tax exempt as an amateur athletic association. The Board of Directors will need to decide on a different group to receive the group's money should the group dissolve. It needs to be another non-profit organization. Most would prefer that it be an equine organization.

The clinic committee is in the process of choosing a clinician for the May clinic.

Dates are set for the 2017 horse shows and have been posted on the group's Facebook page.

The group is unable to use the library's projector for the banquet because a bulb blew so it is not working. Tom Culver may be able to get one from work for use at the banquet.

The group had previously voted to donate \$100 to the library for its use for the 2016 meetings. Vicki Herzog advised that last year the donation had been \$150. JoAnn Culver motioned to change this year's donation to \$150, Bill Laramee  $2^{nd}$ , zero opposed.

The group will still use Larry Wahl for sound at the June – August shows.

There was discussion regarding recognition of donors. Discussion centered around whether to present donors with a plaque or a framed certificate, and whether one should be given to all donors or just those who donate above a certain amount. It was agreed that the horse show committee will come up with a concrete idea as well as a list of donors and then present their idea at the general meeting for discussion and voting.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, February 22, 2017.

Minutes recorded by: Kim Hanf