

WMRC December Meeting Minutes December 15, 2025

Present: Vicki Herzog, Ramona Chessman, Dave Chessman, Jeannine Kenison, Emma Gooden
Present via Zoom: Bonnie Hamel, Trish Switser, Chelsea Colgrove, Jolene Trefethen, Jon Franko

Meeting called to order at 7:04 by Emma

Secretary's report had been previously emailed to the membership. Ramona made a motion to accept it as presented and Bonnie seconded the motion. All in favor

Treasurer's report:

Vicki made a motion to accept the report as read, Dave seconded, all in favor.

Events Committee Report:

Emma and Trish met with several area horse show organizers about creating a show series (NEK Horse Show Series) with classes that will cross over to area shows so exhibitors can accumulate points towards year end awards. Exhibitors will be required to pay a fee to NEKHSS in order to be eligible for year end awards. There will be no cost to the club to have their show be part of the show series. Someone from the club will just need to forward show results to NEKHSS for them to calculate points. Ramona made a motion for the club to join the NEK Horse Show Series at no cost to the club, Jeannine seconded, all in favor.

It was decided that any events business be held at regular meetings rather than having folks get together at separate times.

The club decided to hold 3 clinics this year as well as the fair horse show. One of the clinics will be a Ray Hackett clinic on July 19. Kate Homan is interested in holding another clinic with the club as well. We will not hold a clinic with Amelia Lorden as her rates are too high. Vicki heard about Sarah Trudel who puts on obstacle clinics and brings her own obstacles. She can accommodate up to 10 people. A 2 hour clinic would cost \$225 and a 3 hour clinic would be \$300. Bonnie made a motion to have Vicki reach out to Sarah about putting on a clinic for us, Jolene seconded, all in favor

Old Business:

Election results:

President Jeannine Kenison with 8 votes
Interim Secretary: Emma Gooden with 8 votes
Interim Webmaster: Bonnie Hamel with 8 votes
Treasurer: Vicki Herzog with 8 votes
Board Seat #2: Dave Chessman with 8 votes
Board Seat #5: Stacy Bennett with 8 votes
Board Seat #7: Jonathan Franko with 8 votes

Pegasus Show Software: Emma had a zoom meeting with Sam from Pegasus show software. There is no upfront cost to use the software, but we are charged 5% fee per transaction. We can either tack it onto the exhibitor's show bill, split it so the exhibitor pays 2.5% and we pay 2.5%, or we can pay the full 5%. The software can also be used for clinics. However it doesn't have specific judge's cards like the current software does. The points system is geared towards larger shows and may not work well for us. It was decided not to use the software and instead continue using what we have or use excel sheets.

Food pantry donations: Vicki made a motion to bring donations to the Whitefield Food Pantry, Ramona seconded, all in favor. Emma will drop off on her way home tonight.

No other old business

New business:

Thank you Bonnie for purchasing and donating a speaker for use during meetings so folks on Zoom can hear!

Sharon Ellingwood-White has resigned from Board Seat #1. It was decided that we would table until next meeting the decision of whether to have the president appoint a new board member or to hold an election for a new member.

No other new business

Next Meeting Wednesday January 21, 2026 at Weeks Memorial Library.

Vicki made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:39, Dave seconded, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Emma Gooden on January 20, 2026