

Powder Basin Equestrian Association

Winter Meeting February 7, 2019 – 7 PM

Gillette College Tech Bldg Rm 211 or via Teleconference

Agenda:

- Treasury Report
 - Balance:
 - Treasury has a healthy balance from 2018
 - Transition from Teresa Craig to Andrita Fricklin
 - Teresa and Regina to reconcile the last few months before the transition
 - Teresa, Regina and Andrita to meet at Wells Fargo soon to add Andrita to the account and get here a debit card.
 - CampCo account closed. Their technology does not work as well with QuickBooks as WellsFargo
 - Insurance Bill due February
 - Carol to fill out the questionnaire and scan back to the company to get the final price for this year.
- General Business:
 - Schedule of Events so far
 - May – cleanup and grounds preparation begins
 - Jun 20/21 XC Upgrade
 - Jun 22/23 – JM Durr Clinic
 - July 5 – Dressage Schooling Show
 - July 6-7 – PB Horse Trials
 - Club Ground Maintenance and Upgrades:
 - Cross-country Fence Replacement and Additions – Carol/Jamie
 - 3 required, optional 2 more as determined by designer
 - Budget of not to exceed \$2500 at this time.
 - Board willing to entertain more if required
 - Plea for jump sponsorship with be issued to the membership and appropriate businesses.
 - Stadium Jump -
 - Replacement poles for schooling set
 - 6 grids x 3 poles = 18 poles x \$25.00 = \$450.00
 - Two stadium Jump sets/wings – appx \$500.00 per set
 - Group agreed to offload worst existing show poles to the training set
 - Replace poles that are in bad shape and not holding paint
 - Plan is to buy a bundle and share out to surrounding club members interested to save money
 - Maddie to research options and come back with a plan about April
 - Initial budget of about \$1500 considered reasonable at this time but understands more may be needed.
 - Plea for jump sponsorship with be issued to the membership and appropriate businesses.
 - Dressage Judge Shelter – Regina
 - Regina suggested a portable judge stand to be constructed primarily for dressage but could be used for other events.
 - Group agreed that the options should be researched and plan/estimate brought back for consideration.

- Stadium Fencing Replacement – Teresa
 - Teresa brought forth concerns about the current fence construction and asked about researching options for replacement.
 - Group agreed the PVC fencing looks good but then also our rustic fencing is representative of our area.
 - Group agreed that options and possible donation of supplies would be worth researching.
 - Gates
 - While discussing the fencing, the group did talk about several of the gates need replaced now. The main gates (west side and north side) are the most problematic.
 - Group agreed that options for replacement should be brought forth and Teresa/Regina will research and bring back options/estimates.
 - Other?
 - Teresa brought up having a bridge obstacle built and permanently in place.
 - A few others suggested having trail obstacles there would be good as permanent features to encourage park use by more than just English riders.
 - Bridge, mail box, and a rope gate could be fairly inexpensively provided.
 - Teresa to follow up on the bridge build and Carol to work with her concerning other items that can be installed inexpensively and be fun to have.
- Suggestions for New Activity at the park:
 - Mini-Weekend Event Clinics – Jamie
 - Saturday - lessons and introduction to jumping/XC – various local clinicians
 - Effort to increase local adoption of the sport
 - Sunday – Casual show
 - April, May, Aug, Sept, Oct weekends
 - The group concern is this might be more work than we have volunteers.
 - Carol/Jamie suggested there are ways to keep the effort low as possible:
 - Leave numbers up on the fences and not flag
 - Keep the event casual and fun
 - Use XC fences close to the stadium so very few if any jump judges would be needed.
 - We would still need a dressage judge and a jump judge most likely.
 - Instead of ribbons maybe some other awards for a series of participation.
 - Regina suggested we need to get this out early on the calendar so we could expect decent participation.
 - Andrita shared how in CO they worked with other clubs to exchange support. Great idea but we don't have another horse club in Gillette that we are aware of.
 - Carol suggested she work with Jamie to plan and use them as club learning opportunities to have more smaller successful events like this going forward.
 - Other recommendations?
 - None specifically brought forward but the idea of having more small activities that use the park is favorable.
 - Discussed clinicians using the park which is highly supported, request that they contact a board member prior to setting dates to ensure others don't have something in the planning stages.
 - Clinicians should provide a copy of their insurance.
 - Additionally, a FB announcement would be appreciated to alert anyone coming to school that they may need to work around lessons.
 - For informal lessons (vs a formal clinic that has a special insurance rider obtained), all students should be members of the club and have submitted a signed waiver.

- It is the responsibility of the trainer to ensure this is done on the first outing of the year at the park.
- Horse Trials –
 - High Level - Organizer Update – Carol
 - Officials hired, Omnibus to be submitted soon, Prelim License to be signed and returned.
 - Safety coordinator, XC/Dressage/Stadium Stewards in place
 - XC designer hired
 - XC/Clinic Proposed budget
 - Jm Durr only option
 - Group reviewed the budget which shows holding the clinic can result in overall less out of pocket expenses for the club than not holding the clinic with designer and clinic.
 - Last year was a success and covered all the expenses.
 - Group supports moving forward
 - Jamie to serve as clinic POC and will submit USEA insurance application.
 - Liz Brown communicated after the meeting that she will donate the \$ to cover the skid steer rental.
 - Also communicated after the meeting, unfortunately the Area IX marketing grant of \$1000 most likely not available this year.
 - Barb Burnett Dressage option
 - Carol presented a dressage add-on or dressage only option to provide non-jumping riders a clinic opportunity.
 - The group supported moving forward and approved purchase of the flight since it was below \$300.00 at the time.
 - HT Meeting Date in February – get into the details
 - Carol to send out a few date options to those who should be involved.