

Martha's Vineyard Horse Council Minutes
10/9/25

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

In attendance: Vici Surr, Porter Fraser, Bruce Marshard, Jill Lane, Clare Harrington, Julie Flanders, Vickie Thurber, Jen Rand, Janet Hathaway

Old Business:

Secretary: The minutes from the meeting of 9/11/25 were read. Vici made a motion to approve them, Jill seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer:

Total money in operating account \$15,137.56

Operating: \$6,278.12 (balance after deducting first aid fund and scholarship

First Aid Fund: \$2,093.23

Scholarship: \$6,766.22

Junior: \$389.28

CD: \$19,191.09

Jen moved to approve the treasurer's report, Vici seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Clare raised the question of whether we still need a program as comprehensive as Quickbooks as it is quite expensive. She will investigate other programs.

Committee Reports:

Hunter/Open: Julie and Samantha plan to meet before January to try to set dates for shows for the coming year.

Trail/Pace Rides: Stephanie has planned the fall Pace Ride for Sunday, October 19th, going out from the West Tisbury School. They first riders will go out at 9:00 am and the last. Riders at 11:00 am.

New Business:

Discussion: what is the future of the Horse Council?

Julie suggested we take a look at the Mission Statement.

Vickie suggested we create a brief survey and then go to as many barns as we can in person to talk with people about what they want from the Horse Council. She will work on coming up with then questions.

Bruce suggested that we reach out to the many volunteers at Misty Meadows to see if you can generate more interest.

Planning for the Annual Meeting in November: Julie suggested providing snacks and drinks. Vici suggested reminding people to bring \$1 for the monthly drawing.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40pm.

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