

Meeting was called to order at 7:22PM on April 11, 2017 by Lesley Darrin

Board Members present –Kathy Graham, Lesley Darrin, Emily Maliss, Suzanne Twilley, Ashlea Harhigh , Marti Longenecker. Other individuals present Emily Selvey, Director

Motion made by Lesley to approve the minutes, Suzanne and second by Kathy. All approved.

Treasurer's Report

\$30.00 – Savings Account
\$932.35 – Winnie's Way Scholarship Fund
\$1,470.51 – Running for Rescue 5K
\$5.00 – Reclaiming the Reins
\$839.62 – Farmraisers
\$662.30 – Property/Mortgage
\$14.74 – Checking
\$8184.05 – Due on Business Line of Credit

Reclaiming the Reins Update

No Update.

Past Events

Palm Sunday Event – at Colonial Park UCC was a great success again this year

Future Events

Linglestown May Fair – May 20th at Linglestown School off Mountain Road. We need 8 volunteers for this event and we will probably take Bud and Mya. We are still in need of volunteers.

Clinic with Joanne Young/Dorothy Maxfield in June 2017.

Clinic July 6/7 this is Emilys clinic that she is holding .

Milton Hershey Students – Lesley continues to work with Christopher scheduling the fees/restitution students for work at PFF.

Spartan Warriors for students is still in the plans for the summer 2017.

R & K sub Fundraiser is set for August 2017

Joe Corbi Pizza Fundraiser is set for delivery close to trick or treat night October 2017. Andrea is coordinating.

Grants

We discussed the need to find and apply for County and State grants; this is an opportunity to help with funding for fencing. Cindy is currently the only one looking for grants. Ashlea and Renee have

started helping in the writing and editing area as well as Emily and Lesley are doing the final proofing but we need additional eyes on these grants.

Outstanding grants right now are:

Brennan Equine Welfare Fund – Horse Care
Ralph & Eileen Sweet Foundation – Educational
Charles Degenstein – Educational
Walter J Miller – Education was recently submitted
Build A Bear Foundation – needs submitted
Clif Bar Family Foundation – needs submitted
PPL – Needs submitted

We currently have 4 grants outstanding.

We will need to submit for TCA, P&G and Glide again in May 2017.

Operations Update

Volunteer Trainings in May – 2nd, 13th and 28th.

Status of loan with CREDC. – we have information sent to them and are awaiting the final decision. Lesley & Emily have been working with the contact at CREDC

Aly is working on the website Re Design. She needs before and after pictures of some of the horses if they are available. She is also working on making the landing page on the website a newsletter type feel. Emily and Lesley will be meeting with her to go over more information and details for the website.

Emily Maliss recommended a blog for the farm.

Old Business

Mission Statement discussion change. After a long discussion the board did not change the mission statement, we discussed the possibility of changing it but at the end of the discussion determined that the statement is the way we want it and covers all of the basis for the organization. Because of that there is no need for vote.

Virtual 5K, 10K – We are going to promote the run as something that can be completed on 2 or 4 legs. Registration is available until 4/15/2017. A group chat will be set up to keep individuals informed.

Winnie's Way scholarship extended to a young girl that applied for lessons. We typically do not offer the scholarship for lessons, but the board felt that this was important for girl.

Emily indicated that she'd like to continue with another Save a Horse Ride a Hog Fundraiser and has had discussions with the Linglestown Legion. Discussion included possible ride start at the Legion end at Barn with a carnival type event.

Chewy.com – Chewy will provide a link that we can post to our webpage. “New” orders placed through the PFF link; will generate a \$20.00 donation to PFF

New Business

We are looking to add a grant writer to our grant committee.

Board Member Bio’s – each board member should submit a bio that includes their board involvement and other activities they support at PFF to Marti Longenecker.

Discussed a silent auction fundraiser proposed by Emily M. She knows someone who has had success with this type of fundraiser and is willing to assist.

We discussed an “application” for the young adults that volunteer (work) for us. They would indicate the goals they have and achievements they have made.

We also discussed having a CASA student (sketch artist) sketch the plans for improvement we have for the farm as part of our loan approval process.

We discussed an opportunity with a service dog organization, brought to us by Emily Lambertoni for use of some space on the property.. They need locations that they can take the dogs for a training experience where they can be exposed to different situations. A group of 8-12 dogs and handlers would come to the house for approximately 1-2 hours. There isn’t anything special we’d need to do and they want us to go about our business as we would normally when they are here. Emily Lambertoni will get additional information.

Lesley discussed a possible Bingo fund raising opportunity. She has a friend that organizes these fund raisers regularly at the Hummelstown or Chambers Hill Fire Companies. She would be willing to do one for us. She has a strong following and would organize all the prizes, raffles and do the promotion. There is the possibility to raise as much as \$2,600.00. Lesley will get more information for us.

Krispy Kreme Fundraiser – we continue to examine this as a possibility; however, there are some potential issues to doing it – pick up only at certain locations and we may have to drive to get the donuts.

Emily will be helping (Joyce) a women who has 2 minis she needs to rehome. The minis will not be located at PFF; our only involvement is assisting to find a suitable home.

Discussion concerning riding lessons for an individual with high functioning autism. Dana or Emily may do the lesson. Lesley will respond to the individual and get a date scheduled if they are interested.

Emily brought up that she is currently in search of an assistant instructor and that some of the candidates may be coming from out of town. If you would interested in helping by providing a room for this individual until a living space can be worked out at the farm; please let her know.

Lesley Darrin adjourned the meeting at 8:43pm