

WEPA Inc Fall Scholarship Meeting  
Minutes, Sept 19, 2014

The fall meeting was called to order by current president, Matt Schaefer. Attendees reviewed the minutes from the spring meeting. Dean Peterson asked to correct the 4-H Association to read: Wisconsin 4-H Horse Association. Jennifer Lorenz seconded; minutes were approved as corrected.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed and approved by unanimous vote.

Susan McKichan presented the Foundation report. Dr Batker spoke briefly about the upcoming Equitarian experience being held in Nicaragua October 19-26. She expressed there are still spots available, with possible CE credits given. Dr Batker also informed us she is the new District 5 WVMA representative.

OLD BUSINESS:

Dr Peterson introduced Linda Pribek from the WI 4-H Horse Association. Linda presented a bit of history about the association and how our WEPA Foundation monies are used in their programs. 100% of our \$2000 annual gift is used in educational events the association sponsors, including horse education days in Wausau, the annual Hunter and Dressage show in Sheboygan plus other events. She shared the past summer's show program with our WEPA ad for all to review. Our WEPA banner is prominently displayed at those events, along with announcements as well. Linda presented a Thank You note from the organization for our participation at the 4-H events.

Dr Lorenz discussed the student WEPA liaison proposal and how we will be working with the SCAAEP group on future projects. She introduced Sara Sholtz as our current student rep. Dr Lorenz then presented a proposal to set up a database for student externship/selective opportunities with equine clinics in WI. Dr Peterson expressed we should see how Minnesota and Florida operate their programs for reference. Dr Lorenz will be putting together a letter to explain the programs and ask for interested clinics to respond to be entered into the database, which will then be shared with the vet school.

Cheryl then clarified the reduced meeting fee for practicing veterinarians in their first or second year of practice after graduation. New vets are asked to pay the \$35 membership fee and are welcome to attend the CE seminars free of charge. Veterinarians who wish to participate on the Facebook group are asked to email Cheryl to be added to the group.

NEW BUSINESS:

Irongate Equine had asked WEPA if they would pay for an analysis report about veterinary practices. Dr Nesson was not aware of what this report entailed. Discussion is deferred until next meeting.

Drs Lorenz and McKichan volunteered to find a speaker for the Winter/Spring meeting. Cheryl will look into details to hold the meeting at the Chula Vista Resort in Wisconsin Dells.

Business meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Lorenz