

Provincial Equine Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

February 13, 2007

Provincial Building Stettler, AB

1. Ken Called meeting to Order at 10:40 am with the pledge.

Linda made addition of Rodeo Events to the agenda

Yvonne added website info to agenda

Agenda was approved by Bernie, seconded by Joanne James, Carried

Minutes of the last meeting were reviewed individually by committee and approved as circulated by Dixie, Seconded by Pam. Carried

Election of secretary for this meeting. Cherie Volunteered.

Introductions of members present; Janet Kerr and Yvonne Yaremicio (4-Hstaff), Marryanne Sandberg (Prov. Council), Beth MacGougan (AEF.) Bernie McGowan (EC), Larry Baddock (NE) Kippy Maitland Smith (WC, AEF), Pam French (WC) Corine Verbeek (NW), Joanna James (NW), Bonnie Ridley (P), Jimilee Chostner (EC), Linda Gooch (Calgary), Sandy Fagnan (Calgary), Mary Lou Tainsh (Calgary) Dixie Crowson (S), Ken Schmuland (Chair, NW), Cathy Daniels (S)

Old Business:

PEAC Visioning Plan- Committee Reports

Education: Linda Gooch Reported she has contacted Muffy Knox for a clinic. The only weekend Muffy has available is March 24-25. Linda has looked into the Olds Ag Society and Olds College. Both facilities are booked. Discussion evolved around the time frame to get this clinic information circulated, people registered, and plans made. Only 5 weeks, very short notice. Discussion then directed to the content of the clinic, Linda explained the initial idea was to have participants taught how to read members and assess them for level scoring. The people attending the clinic would then be available to their region to help with assessments. Question was raised – Can 2-3 people from the region get around to assess all the clubs in the region? The assessments these people would do, would be mainly levels 3-4, to help understand the changes between 3-4 and help with the decision for kids to move on. Ken suggested the goal for the assessors is to help kid move thru 1-3 basics into one hand and other skills; this is what this clinic or education day was to be focused on. The group was divided on what should actually be taught at the clinic. Discussion reverted back to whether we could get this done in 5 weeks. Would Claresholm have a facility? Would we get approx 5 people/region =35 people? It was decided that the Strategic Planning committee needs to draw up a schedule and proposed agenda. They should make this into a proposal. The proposal needs to address What the clinic is for; Is this to learn to teach or to learn to assess, would it be a 2 part- learn to teach then learn to assess, who will be the instructor? Muffy Knox knows how to read the kids; this is why she is a favorite for this type of clinic, however she is hard to plan dates with. The committee should come up with a list of instructors and their qualifications. This was then tabled and the committee will report at the next meeting. Linda is still planning to use Muffy for the weekend she has available. Call her if you are interested in getting more info about her clinic.

Video – Pam and Kippy reported they have found a company from Red Deer who will produce a video and the cost would be about \$6000. We could watch the DVD that they have

brought to determine if we like the format and quality. Corine suggested that the Communications video that Terri Potter helped produce was good and maybe we could get this company to do the video. Janet said it was very expensive. Janet reported that our initial budget was \$75000, but Henry said realistically it would probably be \$10000. We will watch the DVD that Kippy and Pam brought at lunch. It was suggested that projects like this could benefit other provinces and we should look into shared resources. The Canadian council may back up, with funding, if we gave them a proposal. PEAC needs to make a detailed proposal for what will be covered in the DVD and must be approved by PEAC then submitted. The next Canadian Council meeting is in the fall. So get the proposal to them well before this time.

4-H Magazine-No reports were submitted for PEAC.

Regional Reports

South- Dixie reported that they had a Muffy Knox clinic scheduled but it was canceled and they are looking for another date.

- They are planning their horseshow for August.
- Their trail ride was a great success
- Coldale club is having a gymkhana not a rodeo.

Calgary- Linda reported they have had 2 horse council meetings.

- June 1-3 4-H on Parade
- Regional Horse Show is July 27-29
- March 24- Horse bowl and Hippology competition
- Bear Valley is having a Clinic with Cyril Desjarlais then having a show to follow-up with Cyril as the Judge.
- September 15-16 Calgary stampede Rodeo- Training in am, Rodeo pm

East Central- Bernie Reported that they are having a series of clinics.

- May 5-6 Young Horse
- Dustin Grams Reining Clinic April 14-15
- Train the Trainer – March or April
- Level 1-4 clinic with Marvin Amlin March/April

West Central- They have had one regional meeting.

- Provincial 4-H Level 4-7 clinic March 30-April 1 at Cromdale Stables. This clinic will be open to province; Leslie Osly is the instructor, max. 15 participants, spectators welcome, food provided, \$25/horse stabling, \$75-100/rider. There will be riding and dismounted skills covered. Contact Kippy or Pam for more info.
- Regional Level 1-3 clinic at Kippy's . April 14-15. Students participate one evening and then one day.
- Provincial Cow horse Show April 21- events will be working cow horse, cutting, breakaway roping, team roping, goat tying, team Penning. It will be 9:00am start at Harry Foley's arena near Rimby. This is level 4-7. Contact Connie or Pam. Info will be emailed out.
- April 7- Sliver Valley is hosting a horse show
- May 26 Regional Horse Show
- June 1-3 Regional Show in Red Deer
- June 17 Poker Rally

North West-Ken Reported They are hosting a regional leaders Clinic for level 3-4 March 11.

- Rodeo Clinic April 14 Rodeo April 15

- Focus Horse Show – issues with facility, will not be at Northlands
- Districts or Clubs running own clinics.

North East- Cherie reported they have had 2 regional horse meetings. Low participation 2-3 clubs present at the meetings. Vegreville is in charge of Horse Camp this will be hosted in Vegreville July 19-21. Horse show is hosted by Elk Point/St. Paul and will follow in July 22

Peace- Regionals will be June 8-10 at High Prairie

- District fun day is planned
- Kevin Pole Clinic is in the works for May

Lunch

Albert 4-H Council Report- as distributed in hand out

- Ag societies have added Senior Members conference to list of sponsored activities
- Strategic Planning
- \$90 for 90 yrs campaign
- Note the 2 NEW policies
 - o 7.03 and 7.05
 - o In draft format
 - o Discussion
 - o Kippy moved that PEAC approve the recommendations to the policy 7.05 and to be taken forward to Alberta 4-H council. Seconded Pam. Carried.
 - o Policy 6.06- Corrine moves that we remove the line” from receipt of project manuals from the provincial office ...confirms your registration in the project”. Second Joanne. Carried.

Reports:

Young Horse- Colt breaking Clinic at Lakedale Arena , 6 registrants confirmed. \$100/ rider \$75.00/spectator and chaperones- room and meals included. This is open to all members with a max of 15 participants. Contact Larry Baddock or last 4-H Magazine.

There are 9 first year YHIP members – they will do halter breaking and handling. November 1 is deadline for project applications, you must be 12yrs or older and completed level 3.

Standard bred- 3 members involved, conflicts with reps from 4-H and standard bred and breeders. Someone is supposed to call Janet soon about next year.

Horse Classic- Being thought about – nothing to report at this time

Albert Equestrian Games- August 9-13 in Millerville

- Need different region for organizing
- 4-H will still show the western only component
- There may be a Pony club –4-H challenge, it would be an incorporation of Prince Phillip games and our games or perhaps a jeopardy trail. Kippy is the person in charge.
- There will be a Silver Cup challenge award for sportsmanship in Memory of Kippy’s Husband.
- Other events that are going to be represented at the games include drill team and Versatility.-Eng-West.

- It was suggested that we stretch out the time our 4-H events happen so that kids can see other events at the games.
- Organization breakdown of duties
 - o Horsemanship/Pleasure- South
 - o Gymkhana (Barrels and Poles)- NW
 - o Jeopardy Trail- EC
 - o Social Event-Peace
 - o Trail- NE
 - o Award and sponsors- we need approx \$3500.00 each region is responsible for getting \$500.00. Make cheques payable to 4-H Foundation then we will get an advance to a particular person in charge of sponsors
 - Prizes will be bought by Calgary –Linda and company

We need to appoint a chairperson for the Games for the 4-H division.

AEF Report- Kippy

-Ester Schwab (Lawyer) was at the Horse Breeder's and Owners conference in Red Deer-protects our parents and volunteers in our insurance? It was suggested that our insurance be reviewed and we look at the possible loopholes. For now make sure your volunteers are listed in the minutes. Our policy is only limited liability and we must be sued. If the suggestion of us taking our policy to a lawyer is to be looked at, AB council needs a letter with specifics that need to be addressed so that it can be investigated. Maryanne will bring it up at council if she can get some specifics. Kippy moved we renew our membership with AEF, Seconded Beth. Carried Remember as members of AEF we are entitled to apply for \$1000 cash grant. Yvonne will look into this.

AEF Report from Beth

AEF Capri Insurance- Beth read policy on 2007 insurance for clubs and reminded us to look into this at club levels.

Kid Sport Expo- AEF is going to have a booth at this event to showcase the Equine sport industry, along side of hockey, soccer etc.

AEF-Voice of Equine AB- Working on a Provincial Gymkhana Circuit, insurance concerns and animal welfare(horse slaughter).

The next AEF meeting is March 17 at the Black night inn. There will be free sessions in the morning on insurance, legislation and animal welfare.

AEF member savings- John Deere and Dodge offer savings for being a member Olds College received \$10 million to expand their equine program.

Other news at the College is new equine programs. Brochures were handed out.

AEF insurance will cover up to \$8000 if a horse needs to be put down due to a communicable disease.

Horse ID update- now they are looking at visual registration and revised cog gins papers. The cost per horse for the lifetime bar code would be approx. \$20-25.

New Business:

Mane Event Booth –Red Deer

-4-H will provide a hotel room& ticket to Mane Event. On your own for transportation and meals. The shifts will be 3 hours and we need 2 people per shift.

Back To Old Business:

Provincial Clinics- See Handouts

Rodeo Clinic- Edson

Level 4-7 Train the Trainer March 24-25- Contact Linda

There is money for 2 more clinics- Suggested events were Cattle Events (Cathy)

Cathy will write up a proposal and advertise for July or August with Larry David as instructor.

PEAC Development

Road trip to the American Youth Horse Council in Denver did not go. We are still looking for a place to go. Yvonne found one in Oregon and one in Guelph. Info is attached in binder.

Grants for regions workshop- Forms and guidelines are in the binder. These are to be forwarded to PEAC/Yvonne.

Last meeting actionable items: Suggested that we purchase a painting for Judith, Yvonne and Janet will do this and get it to Ken so he can present it at a regional meeting.

-We need authorization document from judges to release their names on a judges list.

Constitution Review- Revisions must be in 6 weeks prior to Elections meeting in May.

Back to New Business:

PELF Planning- We have approx \$3000 for a keynote presenter. Suggestions were to have Winton Bruce, Duane Laitimer, or Jeff Goodwin- Kids/Horses/Ethics. Also noted there will be an absolute max of 130 people in the 4-H center.

Drill Team- Requests for information and resources. These can be forwarded Yvonne or Janet. Suggestions were to contact Ruth Fowler, Stampede Riders, St Paul, Lea Park or Waighriegt stampede riders and Lori Stewart. **Lori and Jimi-lee will help organize and gather info.**

Rodeo Events-After discussion on rules and event layouts. Cathy moved we add 2 events to the list of approved events- Thread the Needle and Stake Race Seconded by MaryLou Tanish, Carried. Now this will go on to Provincial Council. **Janet suggested that Linda add a 3rd set of rules and at the may Meeting we will change or review the rules and assessments to these events. See handout for more details on the events and rules.**

Websites; Need to review the links we want to add to our website Janet will send the list to Jimilee and Cathy to review and accept.

Janet has a Horse Smarts CD on horse bowl from Oklahoma. Please review the item and say if you agree to order more copies and sell them thru 4-H. \$20 US for the CD.

Gymkhana- suggested that this be added as a new project. Cathy and others are to review the assessments on events and make modification to lower level events. Joanna and Cathy will bring this to the next meeting. Linda will help via conference call or email. It was suggested we add the gymkhana to Rodeo as Rodeo/Gymkhana.

Next meeting is May 10- Stettler

Bonnie adjourned the meeting at 3:30pm

Committees:

Video- Kippy, Dixie, Pam, Ken, Linda
Standardized training-Kippy, Dixie, Pam, Ken
Outside level 3-4 tester-Kippy, Dixie, Pam, Ken
Pre-4-H program Horseless- Linda, Bonnie
Identifying leader needs-
Bring a Friend- Sandy, Bonnie, Lauren
YHIP-Larry, Beth
Standardbred-Daphne
Horse Classic-Linda
PELF-Whole committee
Draft Horse
AEF- Pam, Dixie, Beth, Cherie
Correspondent-

Actionable Items- are highlighted throughout the minutes.