PROVINCIAL EQUINE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PEAC) MEETING

MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 24, 2008 MEETING BATTLE LAKE 4-H CENTRE (Following PELF)

IN ATTENDANCE: Larry Baddock, (N.E.), Jimilee Chostner (Chair, E.C.), Lee Carothers (Provincial Council), Linda Gooch, MaryLou Tainsh, Anita Beaudin (Calgary), Beth MacGougan (A.E.F. & E.C.), Bernie McGowan, Kym Lawrence (EC), Bonnie Ridley, Laureen Kosheiff, Jodee Hawley (Peace), Corine Verbeek, Ken & Kerri-Lee Schmuland (N.W.), Sherri Hosker, Dixie Crowson, Trudy Andrews (S), Kippy Maitland-Smith, Pamela French, Connie Kluczny (W.C.), Yvonne Yaremcio (4-H office)

- 1) Yvonne distributed handouts with the "Proposed" revisions to Horsemanship Level 1 through 6 mounted skills. Muffy Knox felt that the progression between Level 4 -5 would be a better progression than previously.
- 2) Mane Event PEAC has a booth booked for the 3 days and needs committee members to man the booth throughout the three days. Members are to let Yvonne know what day(s) they can work and what evening you would like to stay in the hotel room by March 5, 2008. Those able to work in the booth will receive a weekend pass to the Mane Event and 1 nights accommodation (double occupancy). A discussion took place with regards to having a meeting in conjunction with the Mane Event and it was decided not to host a meeting during that period, but rather to hold the next meeting on Wednesday, May 14, 2008 in Stettler.
- 3) A copy of "The Alberta Horse Welfare Report" was also distributed to members.

HORSEMANSHIP VIDEO

A discussion took place with respect to the distribution of the video. There will be a total of 1100 copies produced, of which 300 copies belong to PEAC for distribution. There are 160 clubs in the province and it was thought that we should distribute 1 video per club, 1 video per PEAC member, 1 video per rider in the video, 3 videos per regional office, a video to each sponsor and of course one to Muffy Knox. It was felt that we should charge a fee to anyone not included in the above listing who wanted a copy of the video, however, as the video was funded by National Resource Network, we therefore need to check with them to see if we can in fact sell them individually. Yvonne will look into this matter. A suggestion was to possibly sell the video's to leaders, clubs, and 4-H individuals for a set fee so they would look after them better.

PELF REVIEW

Expense claim forms are to be sent or faxed into Yvonne or Janet by March 1, 2008.

There were concerns about the selections of delegate process for leaders wanting to attend PELF as some regions felt they had quite a few leaders turned away from the forum. The current procedure is to fill conferences on a percentage per leader per region basis. As we are restricted to the number of delegates due to fire code regulations, we will need to address this issue for the next PELF in 2010.

Some suggestions were that we cut back the number of PELF committee members attending and/or reduce the number of out of province invited quests.

Yvonne reported that the income from the silent auction and raffles totaled \$3266.00. She advised that we need to think about spending some of the money in our account on a road trip and/or possible clinic for PEAC members. Members are to bring any ideas to the meeting in May for further discussion.

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Complaints heard about PELF were: silent auction closing time, session host not showing up, having two separate sessions in the PMF building at the same time (noise), cold showers in the dorm and people roaming around the dorms throughout the night.

Compliments head about PELF were: Great social activity on Saturday evening (possibly hold this on Friday evening or both nights as it is a good ice breaker), good feedback on all the arena sessions, bussing...do we need to have a host on the buses and if so should they wear clothing that makes them easily identifiable.

Yvonne will compile and send out the PELF evaluation results prior to the next meeting.

The red "PELF" vests are to be retired and were offered to members present. Kerri-Lee Schmuland will put the vest to good use in their arena.

There were a few extra "speaker" gifts left over and it was decided to randomly draw members names for them. Winners of the articles were; Bernie, Pam, Anita and Kerri Lee.

OTHER BUSINESS

Muffy Knox would like to do a "Train the Trainer" session in the East Central Region, with the new assessments added onto the session. She has some time available now.

Janet Kerr will be temporarily leaving her position for the next 18 months and her replacement will be starting on March 1, 2008. It was agreed that some PEAC committee members will need to assist more at Horse Classic and other provincial events to assist Janet's replacement as needed. The deadline for Horse Classic is June 1, 2008. The committee needs to review and/or build the following for Horse Classic: Horse Bowl, I.D. Station, Test Questions and Marketing Contest. It was thought that we could possibly insure that there is at least one PEAC representative at each Provincial event by having members commit to attending an event on a rotating basis.

Trudy, Anita & Kym require the PEAC Committee Binders.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.