



**Minutes – NPS Board Meeting**

**Date: January 13, 2015**

**18 Freshwater Rd, 7:00 P.M.**

***In attendance:*** Cle, Carolyn, Cindy, Emily, Jack, Jessica, Pam, Sarah

- 1.) Errors or omissions in October minutes/Business arising:** None
- 2.) Adoption of minutes and agenda –** *Moved by Pam, seconded by Jessica. CARRIED*

**Standing Reports:**

**President** – Cle updated council on his involvement in the rehoming of multiple ponies over the past month. – *Report moved by Cle, seconded by Sarah. CARRIED*

**Treasurer** – General donation levels have increased. – *Report moved by Pam, seconded by Sarah. CARRIED*

**Secretary** – Sarah has sent out a public request for all NFLD pony breeders who wish to be included in the online directory to send their information to NPS.

*Jess moves that only individuals who own and breed registered Newfoundland ponies be listed in the online breeder directory, seconded by Pam. CARRIED*

**Registrar** – DNA test kits are now available directly from the NPS website. Cindy has additionally put together a very helpful and informative PDF to assist owners in pulling viable hair samples for DNA testing which is also available on the website.

All of the “Dwyer herd” information has been compiled and test kits will be sent to Maud in the near future for the mares. – *Report moved by Cindy, seconded by Emily. CARRIED*

**ACTION: CINDY**

**Membership secretary** – New member applications: 4 new members, 6 renewals (10 members). *Acceptance of new members/renewals and the membership secretary’s report moved by Carolyn, seconded by Sarah. CARRIED*

**3.) Dwyer pony DNA testing**

-Sarah will pull hairs from the Dwyer ponies in NL (Brigus, Touton, Prince, Sweetie, Queen, Belle, Catalina). Cindy will generate and send Sarah the test kits.

**ACTION: SARAH & CINDY**

#### **4.) The MARE Network**

-Jessica is in the initial stages of assisting Maud Peters and The MARE Network expand into NL. Since council last met she has been very busy, helping to locate foster homes on the island and assisting in the rescue of numerous ponies.

Jessica will document the details of The MARE Network's expansion into NL and will update council in the near future.

**ACTION: JESSICA**

#### **5.) Conservation fund**

- Cle moves that discussion regarding the conservation fund be postponed until the next meeting, seconded by Sarah. **MOVED**

#### **6.) Census**

-The census committee will sit with the consultant next week.

#### **7.) Summer event planning**

-To be discussed at the next meeting.

#### **8.) Ralph Morash herd (N.S.)**

-Emily has been in contact with the woman "in charge" of the herd, and will be monitoring the situation as it unfolds in Nova Scotia.

#### **9.) Radio**

-Emily will be doing a filmed podcast with the Livestock Conservancy.

-Cindy will be talking about NPS/the Newfoundland pony on the radio.

-Cle has been invited to discuss the breed on CBC Crosstalk.

**10.) Adjournment** – Pam moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Cle.