



**Minutes – NPS Board Meeting**  
**Date: April 9th, 2015**  
**18 Freshwater Rd, 7:00 P.M.**

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

- 1.) Errors or omissions in March minutes:** Change wording of item regarding banning Facebook members from “draft document” to “draft policy for consideration of council”.
- 2.) Business arising:** None
- 3.) Adoption of minutes –** *Moved by Pam, seconded by Jim. CARRIED*
- 4.) Adoption of agenda –** *Moved by Sarah, seconded by Emily. CARRIED*

**Standing Reports:**

**President** – Cle updated council on the recent cabinet shuffle which has resulted in Vaugh Granter MHA taking over our portfolio from Derrick Dalley MHA. Cle will be arranging a meeting with the Minister to discuss the pony and NPS in the near future (Cle and Jack will likely be the council members in attendance). Furthermore Cle received a great suggestion from an NPS member- that the society create lapel pins featuring the Newfoundland Pony which may be provided to ministers for distribution (locally and abroad).

Cle has been contacting pony owners who have had negative past experiences with the society in the hopes of handling any unresolved issues. This effort has facilitated positive communication and has been appreciated by all individuals involved.

**Treasurer** – The first quarter report was initially distributed with the wrong date (should read March, not December). The report will be revised and redistributed to council.  
Pam will look into adding a separate line for the “Dwyer Pony Fund” on the financial statements.  
*Pam moves the treasurer’s report, seconded by Sarah.*

**Secretary** – Sarah has been working with Pam on organizing the society’s attendance/booth at the Downhome Expo.

**Membership secretary** – Carolyn has sent requests for membership renewal to the 2014 member list and will send requests to the 2012-2013 in the near future.

- 3 new members, 9 renewals

*Acceptance of new members moved by Cindy, seconded by Pam. CARRIED. ACTION: CAROLYN*

## **5.) The Downhome**

### **Expo:**

- 3 ponies have been secured, 1 for each day of the event
- Insurance has been obtained
- Brouchures and T-shirts have been ordered
- Downhome is providing a banner (which NPS may keep)
- Volunteers are still needed

### **Magazine:**

-Carolyn spoke with Janice Stuckless regarding the "NPS page" in the DH magazine. They require our final submissions 6 weeks before the publication deadline (15<sup>th</sup> of every month). Emily will assist Carolyn with gathering material to use (photos, antidotes, facts, stories, etc.)

Sarah will post a request for foal photos on the Facebook page.

**ACTION: Carolyn, Emily, Sarah**

## **6.) Summer events:**

- Jessica is working on organizing an equine event ("fun show") in the fall. She hopes to have Newfoundland pony classes and is waiting to hear back regarding securing a venue.

## **7.) Analytic data:**

- Sarah to draft a short Social Media policy.

**ACTION: Sarah**

## **8.) Registrar's report**

-Cindy suggests that we add an option to the website that allows pony owners to apply for a "replacement certificate" (for lost certificates).

-In response to a request from Cle, Pat Morris compiled a report documenting registry errors made in the 1990's. This report was received earlier today and will be reviewed in short order.

Council will schedule a separate meeting to attend to this matter.

**9.) Adjournment** – Pam moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Jim.