



**Minutes – NPS Board Meeting**  
**Date: October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015**  
**18 Freshwater Rd, 7:00 P.M.**

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

- 1.) Errors or omissions in September minutes** – Agenda: date corrected to read “September 24<sup>th</sup>”  
Minutes: addition of “Carried” after the acceptance of new members, correction of wording in registrar’s report to read “Was a backlog” and “Certificates have not been completed”.
- 2.) Adoption of minutes** – *Moved by Pam, seconded by Jim. CARRIED.*
- 3.) Business arising** – None
- 4.) Adoption of agenda** – *Moved by Sarah, seconded by Jess. CARRIED.*

**Standing Reports:**

**Treasurer**

- Pam announced that the Newfoundland Pony has been designated a Cultural Tradition and Practice under the Provincial Historic Commemorations Program after being nominated by Ms. Dominique Lavers. Further, NPS may apply for a \$2500 provincial grant which must be used for educational purposes, and/or to engage children and young people.  
Pam reports that all files have been returned to storage.  
*Treasurer’s report moved by Pam, seconded by Jim*

**Secretary**

-Sarah discussed the Society’s latest fundraising initiatives (Reilly Fitzgerald painting and Hodge River Nursery holiday wreaths).  
Sarah will be sending a small supply of brochures to an NPS member for use at various equine events throughout Saskatchewan.  
*Secretary’s report moved by Sarah, seconded by Emily*

**Registrar**

-Discussion of the Stud Book to be deferred to a future meeting.

**Membership Secretary** – 5 new memberships (3 new supportive, 2 renewal)  
*Acceptance of members moved by Pam, seconded by Sarah. CARRIED*

### **5.) Resignation of President**

- Cle Newhook officially resigned from his position as President of the Newfoundland Pony Society. Council expressed their gratitude to Cle for his work as President, and wished him well in his future endeavors.

### **6.) Appointment of President**

-Dr. Jessica Boyd, member at large, volunteered to fill the vacant position of NPS President. *Appointment of Jessica Boyd, DVM, to the position of Newfoundland Pony Society President moved by Jim, seconded by Sarah. **CARRIED***  
-Council must now fill the “at large” position made vacant by Jessica’s appointment.

### **7.) Registration Manual/Policy and Procedure Manual**

- Cindy discussed the importance of developing a Registry “Policy and Procedure” manual (available to the public), as well as a “Registrar’s Handbook”, or training manual for future Registrars. Cle suggests that it may be best to hire someone to draft these documents, such as rare breed expert Victoria Tollman. It is estimated that drafting these documents may cost between \$2000-\$3000, and Sharon at Maxxam Analytics has offered to review the first drafts. Cle volunteers to draft a contract and will handle discussions with Victoria.

*Pam moves that we negotiate a contract with Victoria Tollman for the preparation of a Registrar’s Training Manual and Policy and Procedure manual, not exceeding \$3000. Seconded by Sarah. **CARRIED***

### **8.) Disbursal of donation**

-NPS has received a generous donation which council has decided to disburse amongst pony owners (who are members of NPS). Cle will draft a document requesting proposals, and council will recruit qualified impartial committee members to serve on a selection/judging panel. Details regarding the distribution of these funds will be further discussed at a future meeting.

### **9.) Legacy Grant**

- Pam will get deadline information and will touch base with Dominique Lavers for her input on the best use of the \$2500 legacy grant available to NPS.

### **10.) Grandfather Clause/Breed Profiling**

-After discussions with Dr. Gus Cothran, Jessica expressed to council that although it may be an option in the future, breed profiling is not suitable for the Newfoundland Pony at this time.

### **11.) Breeding recommendations**

- Jessica will be working with Victoria Tollman to develop a publishable document outlining breeding recommendations specific to the Newfoundland Pony

**12.) Adjournment** – Sarah moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Pam.