

## **Midwest Fjord Horse Club**

### **MINUTES - Phone Conference – January 22, 2012**

A phone conference meeting of the Board of Directors was held on Sunday, January 22 at 7 p.m. Taking part were President Chuck Kelly, Vice President Heike Lewandowski, Treasurer Anne Weyker and Past President Patti Jo Walter. Absent was Secretary Pat Holland.

#### Winter Meeting Plans

Chuck has been making plans with Sue Plein of the NFHR for the Welcome Reception on Friday night, March 16. It will be held at 5 p.m. at the Radisson Hotel, Roseville, MN. There will be a cash bar and a wide variety of appetizers served. Fees for the reception will be \$5/single and \$10/family. There will be no facility charge if the group spends a total of \$1000. The MWFHC and NFHR will split the costs equally for the reception.

The MWFHC Winter Meeting will be held at the Radisson at 6:30 that evening. A live auction will follow the meeting. All members will be asked to bring a donation for the auction. Auction proceeds will be used to help pay costs of the NFHR Forum. Any excess proceeds will be split between the NFHR and the MWFHC.

Patti will contact Tish Pasqual to ask if she would be willing to chair the auction for the club. Anne will write an article on Winter Meeting plans and send it to Nancy Hotovy to include in Tidbits. (Pat Holland has agreed to mail out printed copies of Tidbits to those members who do not receive emails.)

#### Horse Show Plans

Discussion was held on awards for championships and high point/versatility at this summer's horse show. Chuck will bring a sample of a proposed award item to the Winter Meeting. The board will also check with the Hovres and others who have sponsored awards to see what their wishes are for 2012.

Susie Sadlon will again be ordering trophies and ribbons for the show. She will order the same kind of glassware as last year's trophies to use up the "leftovers" from last year.

The proposed show bill was discussed and will be presented to members at the Winter Meeting. Heike suggested some changes in wording for the Suitability for Dressage class and it was agreed those changes will be made.

### MWFHC Website

Chuck suggested that a committee be formed to do further work on any changes to the club's website. He proposed that Patti Jo and DeeAnna Weed work with Peggy Spear (the new website chair) to work on revamping and updating the site. He will talk to Peggy and would like the committee to talk about this at the Winter Meeting.

### New DVD

A new DVD on harness fitting has been done by Andrew Hinrichs and is ready for distribution. Board members agreed that Andrew can purchase some of these at slightly above cost to sell to clients at his equine facility. Patti will talk with him about the number of DVDs to order, suggested cost, etc.

### Newsletter

Laurie Mattson, the new newsletter editor, has not been able to get a newsletter out since she assumed the editor's position. Patti will talk with her and suggest that she hold off on newsletter work until after discussion at the Winter Meeting. It was agreed that as an agenda item at the meeting, members will be asked if they would like to continue with a regularly published newsletter or would like to use Tidbits as the single form of communication for club members.

The phone conference was adjourned at approximately 8 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Weyker  
Acting Secretary