

Loudoun County Equine Alliance (LCEA) Meeting – December 20, 2016

Board members attending were: ~~Dorothy Beach~~, Paula Beckett Bliss, Louise Cotulla, Kelly Foltman, Emily Houston, Stephanie Jennings, Michelle (Sheli) King, Marion Lee, ~~Mary Terpak~~, Janet Vandervaart, and ~~Terri Young~~.

The meeting began at 7:40 p.m.

Secretary: The minutes of the November 15 board meeting were approved.

Treasurer: Stephanie said that there was a balance of \$2104.16 in the LCEA account.

Membership: There is a total of 44 individual members and 41 business members. Stephanie will send out a letter to members whose membership is expiring with an invitation to the next Expo (including date and location). Marion noted that many board members' terms were expiring. Kelly suggested that we solicit new board members at the Expo and hold elections following the Expo. Mary Terpak has resigned from the board effective December 31. Marion proposed sending a letter of thanks to Mary for her long service to LCEA. Kelly will draft a letter.

Catesby: There was some follow-on discussion regarding BoS approval of Catesby as an event site.

Large Animal Rescue Seminar: We are waiting to hear from TLAR. LCEA might co-host a two- or four-day event in the fall of 2017 with the Marion DuPont Scott Equine Center, the Mare Center, and the Virginia Extension Service, probably at the Marion duPont Scott Equine Center at Morven Park.

2017 Expo: The board agreed to hold the 2017 Expo at Harmony Hall in Hamilton. Emily and Kelly will visit the site to get some decorating ideas. A proposed menu was discussed and approved. DED is contributing \$800 towards the food. Janet will pick up the food from Wegman's. Alternate dates of March 23 or 30 were approved. Round tables will be provided – some rectangular tables are also available. Paula will help with the setup and take down. Marion will man the entry desk. Advertising will be done via the Horse Times and other publications and flyers. Kelly said that the Middleburg Sporting Library offered their facility for the Expo. It was decided to invite them to participate in the 2017 Expo and consider their offer for another year.

LCEA/EMC: Marion will work with Sheli on the February 7 joint EMC/LCEA presentation.

Tri-state Tack Sale: Louise and Paula will man an LCEA table in the morning of the sale on February 18.

Marketing: No discussion.

Rural Roads/Drive Gently: Emily reported on the Rural Roads committee work on road preservation. The RR committee is trying to make paving considerations more objective, with public preference weighted less. The RR position is: Improvement first, then paving.

LoCota/Trails: No update.

Parks and Recreation: No meetings.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Marion Lee