

## **Johnstown Saddle Club January 6, 2018 Minutes**

Meeting was called to order at 7:08 pm.

Roll call of officers was done - Paige, Susan and Denise were in attendance.

Secretary's report for October was read and approved.

Treasurer's report: In October we had \$3,057.72 in checking, \$2,543.23 in savings, and \$406.88 in the royalty account.

In November we had \$1987.67 in checking, \$2543.34 in savings, and \$779.88 in the royalty account.

In December we had \$1735.67 in checking, \$2543.45 in savings, and \$779.88 in the royalty account.

Royalty report: still have no royalty for the year. Ellie Sawvel is a possibility. Her mom will get back to us.

Gymkhana report: nothing

Show report: nothing

Introduction of new members: Stacey Choep was present. She is interested in joining us for the upcoming show season.

Member time: nothing

For old business: There was a discussion about November's banquet. Overall members felt it went fine. Some said that the awards presentation went too fast and it was hard to hear. Next year we will have winners pose with their awards and post the pictures on Facebook.

Paige asked if there were any comments or questions about the proposed by-law changes. There were none and the motion carried to make the changes to the by-laws as written.

New board member - Leslie's position is up. The duties include meeting with the officers if any issues come up. Annie Kennedy was nominated and became our new board member.

For new business: Dates were set for meetings, gymkhanas and shows. They are:  
Meetings: 2/3, 3/3, 4/7, 5/5, 6/2, 7/7, 9/8, and 10/6. Nov. banquet date will be set toward end of season.

Gymkhanas: 5/6, 6/3, 7/8, 8/12, and 9/9.  
Shows: 5/20, 6/17, 7/22, 8/19, and 9/16.

There was a lengthy discussion about the mini-gymkhana that follows the show. Last year there were only 4 participants. We decided to continue but based on suggestions from the group we decided to change the age-group breakdowns to: leadline, 8-13, and 14 and over.

We also discussed advertising for the shows. Lauren Feldman agreed to take on advertising via Facebook. We do want to continue with the business cards that contain the show and gymkhana dates. Flyers have been made and will be brought to next month's meeting. Brittany will share with the other 4-H leaders.

Further discussion surrounded potentially changing our name since the name itself might be a deterrent. We felt that it is too late to make a change for this season and if we do make a change, we want to be thoughtful about what the new name would be. We will come up with new name ideas this season and look into making a change by 2019 if the advertising this year doesn't seem to bring in more participants.

Bills to be paid: none

Meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Next meeting will be February 3, 2018.