

Minutes of the
**ANNUAL MEETING of the
CANADIAN ROAD HORSE ASSOCIATION**
April 12th, 2014 @ 1:00 p.m.
Toronto Airport Marriott Hotel

President, Linda Rainey called the meeting to order at approximately 1 p.m. There were 24 members and guests present.

A moment of silence was held in remembrance of those who have passed away.

A motion was made by Kirk Douglas, seconded by Penny McKee to approve the minutes from the 2013 Annual General Meeting. Carried.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was distributed and it showed a bank balance of \$11,178.91 as of December 31, 2012 plus a GIC worth \$10,099.23. As of December 31, 2013 we had a bank balance of \$7,258.12 plus the GIC worth \$10,162.97. We lost approximately \$4,000 in 2013. Clare Hayes made a motion to approve the 2013 Treasurer's Report, seconded by David Watkins.

Correspondence

There was no correspondence to be read.

Reports

OEF – Helen Thomas reported that we received \$900 from the OEF grant in 2013. The 2014 grant will focus on Safety, Education and Legacy. The amount we receive is also based on the percentage of CRHA members who are members of OEF, articles in WHOA, participation in Horse Day and nominating for the People Make a Difference Award. Planning is in the works for Horse Day 2014 which we were a part of in 2013.

Equine Canada – Helen Thomas mentioned that the Breed Sport Committee created a brochure which the road horses were included in. Copies were available at the meeting.

Ontario Hackney Show – Joanne Heath reported that the 2014 Ontario Hackney Show will be at Orangeville Fairgrounds on Saturday August 3rd and the judge is Mark Bodnar. They are looking into hosting a chicken dinner after the show. The schedule will be similar to when it was at Markham and the road horses have been given the option to add more classes to the schedule for 2014.

RAWF – Don Heath reported that the 2013 was an exceptional year for road horses at the Royal Winter Fair. They held at meeting last week where Don thanked them for ensuring the roadhorses had sufficient warm up time. John Fullerton is also to be thanked for helping it run smoothly. Overall attendance at the fair was up 15%. The 2014 horse show schedule is expected to be similar to 2013. The judge will be Melinda Moore. The Royal is also working on exhibitor appreciation and is considering offering 2 breakfasts or coffee in the barn.

OHHA Green Roadster Classic – A letter will be sent to OHHA requesting 2014 sponsorship however it's not very promising and we need a contingency plan.

Fundraising

Bike/jog cart draw – Helen Thomas is ironing out details.

Pancake breakfast – We fed approximately 150 people in 2013 and all were in favour of doing it again in 2014.

Other options will be discussed at the directors meeting.

Hall of Fame

Two nominations were received for the 2014 Hall of Fame. One nomination was for Lloyd & Ross McLean, the other for Ross McLean. Wayne Allison modified his nomination to be Lloyd & Lois McLean, Ross McLean and Doreen McLean as the 2014 Hall of Fame inductees.

A motion was made by Wayne Allison, seconded by Chrissy Watkins that inductees select the person who does the induction speech. All were in favour.

Other New Business

Orono Fair was thrilled with the turnout at the 2013 road horse show. The date for 2014 is September 6th. A draft prize list is available.

Paris Fair is wondering if we would like road horses classes put on again.

Ontario Show – The directors will look at adjusting the classes offered based on 2014 fundraising initiatives.

Director Election

Following nominations, the following directors will serve 2 year terms: Helen Thomas, Bob Clancey, Penny McKee, David Watkins and Lorne MacDonald.

With no further business, Bob Clancey made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Helen Thomas.