



NFHR Minutes Annual Meeting 2019
Cedar Creek stables
Staunton, VA
April 6, 2019

All board members present except Jennifer Wright who was excused. All members signed in. The meeting was put on Facebook live. Eric opened with introductions from board members and staff and thanked committees. He asked for people to consider being on the board.

Eric talked about evaluations being more flexible to allow more to be held each year.

Leann Hazel-Groux moved to approve the previous minutes, Frank Baylis seconded, motion approved.

Nancy talked about the annual report (it's online.) Nancy mentioned that trained Fjord horses are in high demand. Jeanne talked about Registrar's report (also online.) Foal numbers are up, probably over 100 for 2018 when all DNA is in. Transfers are also up as people are selling horses.

Discussion was held on the idea of a "B" registry for purebred Fjords that are unable to be registered. Inbreeding coefficient was discussed regarding the inbreeding rule. The obsolete stallion report was discussed.

The membership committee reported that members they contacted wanted more evaluations and awards. Education committee reported that articles have been put in the Herald and asked for suggestions for future educational topics.

Eric thanked Phil, Melissa and Beth for presenting at the forum.

Awards reported that an NFHR award was presented at the Devon Horse show this year thanks to donations for the fees. Promotions mentioned LVR embroidery and two events in the Midwest hosted by the Neill's and Odden's.

Herald committee reported and mentioned that social media is becoming a good way to interact with the membership.

Eric remarked that our biggest goal this year is to get the evaluations going and get more evaluators trained. NFHR support for local clubs and breeders is also a goal. Improving the database is a long-term goal as is coordinating with FHI on an international database.

Eric talked about how the Board face2face meeting tomorrow will work and what will be worked on.

Nancy remarked that our mission statement may need to be changed to accommodate a "B" registry. Jeanne remarked that a breed purity test is now available.

Highly rated shows vs. fun shows was discussed. The appeal of the Herald was discussed.

Kay thanked everyone who bid on the silent auction and closed it out. Donald Hewes made a motion to adjourn and Lindy Hild seconded, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Newport for Jennifer Wright