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Description automatically generated**Diamondback Pony Club Sponsors’ Meeting**

**October 30, 2021**

**10200 N. Camino De Oeste, Tucson**

Meeting was called to order at 1 pm

1. **Quorum** was established. Those present were (sponsors in bold):

**Kathy Dirkschnieder** , **Kate Hauck**, **Cindy Hanson**, **Cathy Hauck, Kathy Coswert, Elizabeth Pennell,** **Chandra Chance,** Lauren Pennell, Laila Chance, Arianah Romero and Meera Patel

1. Review and approval of **last year’s minutes** – minutes were approved.
2. Kathy D will be sending out renewal emails this week. Register by 11/15 for discount.
3. Summery of **last year’s activities** –
   1. We have been meeting 2-4 times per month.
   2. Most of those meetings include both riding and HM instruction
   3. Riding instructors have been Kaitlyn Dirkschider and Manuela Propfe. HM instruction has been done by Kathy Cowsert, with occasional outside speakers, like vets
   4. We have had several D1 and D2 certifications.
   5. Three members attended Dressage Rally, three attended Show Jumping Rally, 1 member did virtual Quiz Rally, 1 went to Champs as a stable manager. Three members attended the S&C Clinic. One member participated in the Grayson-Jockey Club Research Project.
   6. Six members attended Camp
   7. Fundraising: Cash donations, Amazon Smiles, Fry’s Community Rewards, Scrip
4. **Treasurer’s Report** –
   1. Cindy reported that there was $1959.71 in the working account, $563.05 in savings account 1, and approximately $103 in savings account 2 (Scrip, Amazon Smiles, Fry’s). Fund raising brought in $91.37. Certification fees brought in $188.
   2. Outstanding bills include $1500 to Kaitlyn and $500 to Manuela
   3. We need a better billing system for parents
   4. Online financial documents were submitted on time.
   5. Peer Review was completed.
   6. It was pointed out that the Club pays the Regional dues of $65 / member.
5. **Nominating Committee** – Cathy H, Kathy C., Elizabeth and Cindy proposed the same officers – Kathy D for DC, Cindy for Treasurer and Elizabeth Pennell for secretary. Cindy moved that the slate be approved by the club. Cathy H. seconded, and the motion as passed.
6. **Schedule for 2022** –
   1. After discussion, it was decided to continue to meet on Thursday evenings, with the occasional Saturday for special events, like going to Manuela’s barn or attending clinics
   2. Eventing Rally in Tucson March 11-13. We will need to provide support and help organize this.
   3. Show Jumping and Dressage Rally in Phoenix, probably April 1-3
   4. Camp will be in June – discussion about possible locations. There will be more information on that after the Regional Annual Meeting next week.
   5. Championships will be in July, on the West coast – maybe California
7. **DBPC at the November Horse Trials –** Cathy said that only one person has signed up to help so far. Will send out signup sheet again. We will have a table with Pony Club info. We will also be selling raffle tickets, tack and possibly horse treats. Some discussion about who would be making the treats. Cathy will be at the meetings on 11/4 and 11/11 to collect tack for sale, the horse treats, etc.
8. **Certifications** – After discussion, there will be a D3 HM certification on January 8th. Kate Hauck will be the examiner. If people are ready for the riding certifications at that time, she will do those too. Check with Kaitlyn as to your readiness.
9. **Budget for next year –** after discussion, it was decided that dues would be $40 / month. There will be no exceptions for new members, camp, missed meetings, etc. We decided that there will be a discount if people pay for the whole year in January – in that case, the cost will be $440 / year.
10. **DBPC Hunter/Jumper Show –** Chandra reported on the progress of this. They have picked a date of January 29. They have 2 potential judges in mind. The committee will be scheduling a jump maintenance day soon. Some discussion about insurance, and whether we needed to follow all the HJ rules for Pony Club insurance to apply. There was also a discussion about what other volunteer jobs would be needed – Ring Stewards, Jump Crew, Timers, Scribes, parking attendants, etc,
11. **Fund Raising** – There was a discussion about corporate sponsorship. Kathy pointed out the large number of corporate sponsors that Desert Hooves has. She passed out a form that parents could use to solicit sponsors.

Meeting was adjourned at 3pm.