TREASURE VALLEY WHIPS – GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING – 11/20/2023

Meeting called to order via Google Meet at 7:05 p.m. by President Merry Jo Schreffler. Also in attendance were, Jamey Robbins, Donna Bernardelli, Mary and Lee Van De Bogart, Kathy DeLong, Robin DeLong, Sharon Dudley, Valerie Ellis, and Barb Recla.

Motion made by Kathy to accept the minutes of the September 11 meeting, seconded by Sharon, motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- Since Kathy wasn't at the previous meeting, she gave the balance as of July 8 as \$9,458.70 and the balance as of today as \$6,817.41. A check to Birt Arena for \$480.00 has not yet cleared.
- Total expenses: \$3,897.97, which include the Fall Driving Show (\$1,197.65), tubs for the new cones markers, Ride 365 Ranch arena rental, Equestrian's Institute CDE, and the cones markers from Ideal Harness.
- Income from the Fall Driving Show is \$887.00.
- Teresa Bron used the \$800.00 she owed us for the harness as her fee/travel expenses for judging the Fall Driving Show.
- Kathy will send \$200 check to Jamey for the 2024 Horse Expo booth that we're sharing with the Idaho Miniature Horse Club.
- Kathy mentioned that we need to pay our ADS membership. Jamey made a motion to pay that bill, seconded by Barb, motion passed.

Donna motioned to accept the treasurer's report, seconded by Sharon, motion passed.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Kathy was contacted by Connie Smith who is a member of Western Whips and Wheels. She is impressed with the activities our club does throughout the year and would like to join. She's also invited us to come drive with her in Elgin, OR. We will get more info from her when she joins.
- Mary has been corresponding with Melinda Birt. We should have no problem with the same calendar dates as last year. We may also have one Friday per month to drive at Birt Arena through the winter. More info to come.

OLD BUSINESS:

- The fall driving show went well, despite the cold temperatures. Thank you to everyone who worked hard to make the show a success.
- The hunt for a 5x10 cargo trailer continues.

NEW BUSINESS:

• Merry Jo would like all TVW members made aware that elections are happening. Jamey will put together a letter to be sent out to members by Monday, November 8, regarding nominations. A second email will be sent with the ballot that needs to be returned via mail or email by December 15. Ballots to be sent to Merry Jo. We will also make a Facebook post inviting folks to join via the membership application found on our website. Joining the Facebook page does not include membership.

- Post-Christmas party with planning meeting to be held in January. Kathy is going to book a private room at Fiesta Guadalajara in Ontario.
- Next year, we may hold a driving trial. More research is being done to find out if Spurwing is a suitable location for this event.
- Linda Kaye Hollingsworth-Jones is planning on hosting a clinic in the spring of 2024 with available CAS Level 1 Driving Proficiency Exams. More info to come.

Motion made by Kathy to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mary. Meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.