

2012 N.C. 4-H Horse Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Best Foods, Siler City, NC

November 16th, 2012

Dr. Mike Yoder welcomed advisory board members and called the meeting to order. The advisory board member list was passed around for corrections or additions. Executive Committee Chairperson, Debbie Hollowell, asked Dr. Yoder to preside over the meeting.

Dates and Locations for 2013 activities:

Horse Bowl:

Previous date: March 3, 2012 (NC A&T University, Greensboro, NC)

Confirmed date: March 2, 2013 (NC A&T University, Greensboro, NC)

N.C. 4-H Judging Contest (includes the State FFA contest):

Previous date: April 14, 2012 (Martin Community College, Williamston, NC)

TENTATIVE date: April 27, 2013 (James B. Hunt Horse Complex, Raleigh, NC)

Direct conflict with Southeast & West District Activity Days, so date and location is subject to change

Hippology Contest:

Previous date: March 3, 2012 (NC A&T University, Greensboro, NC)

Confirmed date: March 2, 2013 – Exams, ID's, team problem, horse judging portion (DVDs), and awards (NC A&T University, Greensboro, NC)

Equine Artistic Expression and Creative Writing Events:

Previous deadline date: May 1 2012 postmarked to Edu. Committee chair

Confirmed deadline date: May 1, 2013 ALL entries postmarked to Edu. Committee Chair Lissy Newton at 11700 Black Horse Run, Raleigh, NC 27613

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| (1) Horse Essay | (3) Horse Drawing* |
| (2) Horse Poetry | (4) Horse Poster* |
| (5) Horse Short Story | (6) Horse Painting* |
| (7) Horse Crafts* | (8) Horse Photography* |
| | (9) Horse Sewing* |

*Exhibits submitted Friday, July 12, 2013 from 9am to 5pm. Entries to be judged Friday, July 12, 2013 beginning at 5pm. Sorry, early submissions prohibited.

Horsemanship Camp:

Previous dates: June 19-25, 2012 (4-H Camp Millstone, Ellerbe, NC)

Confirmed dates: June 16-22, 2013 (4-H Camp Millstone, Ellerbe, NC)

Western NC Horse Clinic/Camp:

Confirmed dates: June 10-12, 2013 (Western NC Ag. Center, Arden, NC)

Agent Contact: Holly Jordan (Buncombe Co., holly_jordan@ncsu.edu)

Preference is given to western NC 4-H'ers

Northeast District 4-H Horsemanship School:

Confirmed dates: TBD (Sen. Bob Martin Eastern Agricultural Center, Williamston, NC):

Agent Contact: TBD

District Activity Days:

North Central District: March 23, 2013

South Central District: May 18, 2013

West District: April 27, 2013

Northeast District: March 23, 2013

Southeast District: April 27, 2013

4-H Horse Communication Contests:

Confirmed date: June 22, 2013 (Raleigh, NC)

4-H Horse Communication Contests will be held in conjunction with North Carolina 4-H Congress

State Horse Show:

Confirmed date: Wednesday, July 10 through Sunday, July 14, 2013 (James B. Hunt Horse Complex, NC State Fairgrounds, Raleigh, NC)

Show starts Wednesday afternoon

Southern Regional 4-H Horse Championships:

Confirmed dates: July 28 through August 3, 2013 (West Monroe, LA)

NC hosting in 2014

Eastern National 4-H Horse Roundup:

Confirmed dates: November 1 through 3, 2013 (Louisville, KY)

State 4-H Horse Advisory Board Meeting:

Confirmed date: November 15, 2013 (Best Foods, Siler City, NC)

District 4-H Horse Shows:

Southeast District: June 1-2, 2013 (Sen. Bob Martin Eastern Agricultural Center, Williamston, NC)

Agent Contact: Tara Taylor (Lenoir Co., tara_taylor@ncsu.edu)

South Central District: May 4-5, 2013 (Monroe, NC)

Show Contact: Amanda Baucom (ambaucom42608@gmail.com)

North Central District: May 18-19, 2013 (Guilford Co. Piedmont Saddle Club)

Show Contact: Morgan Maness (Rockingham Co., morgan_maness@ncsu.edu)

Nan Guldenschuh (firenanchfd@gmail.com)

Northeast District: TBD

Agent Contact: TBD

West District: May 5, 2013 (Western NC Ag Center, Fletcher, NC)

Agent Contact: Holly Jordan (Buncombe Co., holly_jordan@ncsu.edu)

NC/VA Leader Training Conference:

Confirmed date: February 1-3, 2013 (Raleigh, NC)

To be held in conjunction with the NC 4-H Leaders' Conference

Holiday Classic Horse Show Series:

Confirmed dates: December 1-2, 2012

April 20-21, 2013

December 7-8, 2013

To be held at the James B. Hunt Horse Complex, NC State Fairgrounds, Raleigh, NC

2012-2013 Equine Short Courses and Clinics

Please promote these events by directing interested parties to the NCSU Extension Horse Husbandry Website at:

http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/an_sci/extension/horse/Webpages/NCSU_EHH_Home.html

October 26-28, 2012

CANCELLED

NCSU Horse Judging Short Course

Recommended for new judges, horse judging team coaches, or judges attending a certification clinic
Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites, Cary, NC

November 10-11, 2012

NCSU Open Horse Show Judges Certification Clinic

North Carolina State University, Centennial Campus,
Engineering II Building, Raleigh, NC

Sponsored by NCSU Extension Horse Husbandry

February 9, 2013

Youth Horse Judging, Bowl and Hippology Training Clinic

Wake County Cooperative Extension Service, Raleigh, NC
Sponsored by the NC 4-H Horse Program

March 16, 2013

Metabolic Disorders of the Horse Short Course

North Carolina State University, Centennial Campus,
Engineering II Building, Raleigh, NC

Sponsored by NCSU Extension Horse Husbandry

District Sponsored Events

The following events, dates, and contact information were provided from each extension district. All of these events will be promoted on the NCSU Extension Horse Husbandry 2013 4-H Horse Program Calendar of Events available on our website mid-January.

South East District

District Horse Bowl	January 26, 2013	Tara Taylor, Lenoir Co. (tara_taylor@ncsu.edu)
District Horse Show	June 1-2, 2013	Tara Taylor, Lenoir Co. (tara_taylor@ncsu.edu)

Northeast District

District Horse Bowl	TBD	TBD
District Horse Show	TBD	TBD

South Central District

District Horse Bowl	January 26, 2013	Debbie Campbell (brandywine4h@yahoo.com)
District Horse Show	May 4-5, 2013	Amanda Baucom (ambaucom42608@gmail.com)

West District

District Horse Bowl	February 16, 2013	Holly Jordan, Buncombe Co. (holly_jordan@ncsu.edu)
District Horse Show	May 5, 2013	Holly Jordan, Buncombe Co. (holly_jordan@ncsu.edu)
Horsemanship Clinic	June 10-12, 2013	Holly Jordan, Buncombe Co. (holly_jordan@ncsu.edu)

North Central District

District Horse Bowl	February 16, 2013	Morgan Maness, Rockingham Co (morgan_maness@ncsu.edu)
District Horse Show	May 18-19, 2013	Morgan Maness, Rockingham Co (morgan_maness@ncsu.edu) Nan Guldenschuh (firenanchfd@gmail.com)

Extension Horse Husbandry & Budget Update

Dr. Yoder stated that EHH is currently in the process of reclassifying the two extension horse technician positions, and has been actively working on this reclassification for over a year. NCSU Human Resources has analyzed the positions and feels that they need to be reclassified. The request for reclassification has gone on to the Animal Science department. The Animal Science Department Head, Dr. See, has indicated that funds are available for the current 2013 fiscal year, but has not yet been able to identify funds for subsequent years.

The College of Agricultural and Life Sciences is supportive of this reclassification, therefore when funding is found the reclassification process will move forward.

To date, the empty Extension Horse Commodity Coordinator position, held by Dr. Mowrey until the beginning of 2012, has not been filled. After identifying and interviewing two candidates, an offer was made to Dr. Kristine Vernon of Clemson University, which she declined. Dr. Yoder asked the advisory board if we should consider offering the position to the second candidate, Dr. Amy McLean currently at the University of Wyoming. The advisory board suggested bringing her back for a second interview which more members of the advisory board would be able to attend, or potentially setting up an online meet-and-greet. Select members of the advisory board met with Dr. See during lunch and it was determined that the board would be interested in visiting with Dr. McLean.

Jessica Hicks then led the advisory board through the 2012 Program Financial Report, indicating a net profit in the 4-H Horse Program Accounts. However, she reminded the board that several overdue sponsorships were paid up this year in addition to a transfer of some labor expenses, which have inflated this year's net/profit loss, and will not be available in future years.

NC 4-H Horse Program Endowment Fund Update

Craven Hudson, from the NC Agricultural Foundation, informed the board that Sharon Rowland, who monitors our 4-H accounts in the development fund, will be retiring in the near future. Sharon's interim replacement will be Sonia Murphy. Mr. Hudson indicated that the NC 4-H Congress dates have been changed to June to merge with the 4-H Citizenship Focus event. This merger was done for several economic reasons and to provide potential donors an opportunity to interact directly with youth across the state. In the future, it is hoped that NC 4-H Congress will be a "showcase" of our programming and youth accomplishments. Craven Hudson also informed the 4-H Horse Advisory Board that there are opportunities for individuals to become members of the general 4-H Advisory Board. Members of the general 4-H Advisory Board donate \$1,000/year or \$83/month.

Craven Hudson then expressed keen interest in completing the Dr. Robert Mowrey Endowment Fund (completion requires a minimum of \$15,000 in donations). Mr. Hudson then requested a list of potential donors from our advisory board, so a list was passed around in order to generate more names. He then reminded the board that endowment proceeds are 4% of donated funds and that all contributions are tax deductible.

4-H Horse Program Membership Fee Update

Dr. Yoder informed the board that he had received a large number of phone calls regarding the NC 4-H Horse Program 2012 Enrollment Fee and reminded the board that this fee was implemented to potentially pay for 25-50% of the program technician's salaries. Dr. Yoder then expressed to the board that the decision to continue with this fee should not be based solely on one year of income, as many agents didn't charge this fee to youth who were active only on a county level. He also suggested that if we stop this fee after only one year of implementation it will make it harder for extension as a whole to move towards this model in future years. Continuation of this fee for several years would provide a model for extension programs in the future. Also, Dr. Yoder stated that if we continue with the enrollment fee in future years and the money is not needed for salaries then it could be used for additional program scholarships, especially as sponsors are becoming harder to locate.

Tara Taylor, Lenoir County 4-H agent stated that is hard for agents to enforce this membership fee on the county level and also recommended that while Cloverbuds should not be required to pay the fee, they should be allowed to pay the fee if desired. Also, Morgan Maness, Rockingham County 4-H agent informed the board that she had multiple families that refused to pay the fee for 2012. When the board commented on the confusion regarding the institution of the program fee earlier this year Dr. Yoder explained that he had submitted a proposal to 4-H administration, but that through a miscommunication 4-H sent out the proposal, not a final draft, to all 4-H agents across the state. This miscommunication led to confusion regarding the program fee on multiple levels. He then suggested to the board that if they approve to continue with the fee they should approve it for a two year minimum in order to gain a greater understanding of the fee's impact. It was then suggested a family discount capped at \$40 per family to offer a reduced fee for families of multiple children. A motion was made and seconded to approve the 4-H Horse Program Membership fee for 2013 and 2014 at \$25 per youth or \$40 per family each year for youth ages 9 to 18. During discussion it was agreed that Dr. Yoder would go to extension administration to see if they will write a letter to all agents supporting the program fee. This motion was seconded, discussed and passed. Another motion was then made to allow all youth who have special needs forms at the county level to be exempt from the enrollment fee. This motion was made, seconded and passed as well.

North Carolina Horse Council Update

Dr. Yoder told the advisory board that the North Carolina Horse Council just elected new officers with Sammy Jenkins and Bob Sanford elected president and vice president, respectively. Since the NCHC has not paid for their 2012 sponsorship of the Hippology project, another invoice will be sent to them.

4-H Horse Curriculum and Educational Materials & Participation

There were no new educational materials for the 2012 NC 4-H Horse Program Advisory Board to review, so no new educational curriculum committee was formed.

NC 4-H Horse Program district library materials can be found by contacting the following agents:

West District- Holly Jordan, Buncombe Co., (holly_jordan@ncsu.edu)
North Central District- Morgan Maness, Rockingham Co., (morgan_maness@ncsu.edu)
Northeast District- Heather Tart, Wake Co., (heather_tart@ncsu.edu)
South Central District- Laura Byrd, Union Co., (laura_byrd@ncsu.edu)
Southeast District- Tara Taylor, Lenoir Co., (tara_taylor@ncsu.edu)

Dr. Yoder told the advisory board that districts were able to apply for grants for additional educational materials or other programs from the NCHC, with a maximum grant amount of \$750. Matt Downs also told that board that the Verizon Foundation, at www.verizonfoundation.org, would also accept grant requests.

Review Program Numbers/Participation/General Information – ES237 DATA

Robin Lynn presented the 2012 ES237 data. She informed the board that the 2012 ES237 data presented is incomplete and missing numbers for 23 counties. Despite the incomplete data, it appears that 4-H Horse event participation numbers are up 3%. This increase in participation numbers is very positive, as it indicates that the 4-H Horse Program Membership Fee does not appear to have a negative impact on youth participation. Several of the 4-H agents indicated that method of collecting county program participation numbers is changing and will generally only include total program numbers, rather than individual event numbers in the future, but state specialists will still have access to event data.

State 4-H Horse Show- Dressage Report

Mary Hunt reported on the 2012 State 4-H Horse Show Dressage Division prior to lunch time. She told the advisory board that participation numbers were up in all classes, with a notable increase in the non-trotting dressage classes. She suggested that we continue to hold the non-trotting dressage classes and potentially use the E barn outdoor arena for Sunday dressage classes to avoid resetting up arenas. These suggestions were accepted and will be implemented. A dressage committee was formed to make recommendations on dressage test selection and bring the 4-H combined training classes more in line with USEA regulations. Members of this committee include Mary Hunt (chair), Carrie Everhart, Bobbi Spinnenweber and Candace Norman. Any potential changes are to be presented to Extension Horse Husbandry by the 1st of the year.

Program Financial Support

Dr. Yoder informed the board that Extension Horse Husbandry has not yet applied for any grants, but will explore opportunities in December. He noted that grant funding not currently readily available, and if any funding is found it will likely be for small and specific uses.

The advisory board was reminded that the Animal Science Department currently pays for technician salaries, phone and internet expenses, as well as a large portion of copy and mailing charges. Extension Horse Husbandry pays for all other operating expenses out of user fees, including but not limited to travel expenses, part-time labor, and general operating supplies. Additionally, auxiliary extension agent support for the 2013 State 4-H Horse Show has been requested from 4-H. The program has only one outstanding check for 2012 and that family has been suspended from participation until this debt is settled. Dr. Yoder also told the board that technician comp time hours have not decreased this year, primarily due to the fact that technician and specialist travel was not reduced for 2012. North Carolina State University has not yet any budget changes for 2013, so we do not currently know if there will be budget cuts in the coming year.

2012 Emergency Fund Report

Candace Norman presented the current balance for the 4-H Horse Program emergency fund in addition to the 2012 payments. Some money had been allocated for potential travel expenses for 2011, and a motion was made, seconded and passed to put this money back into the emergency fund for general use. Also, it was decided that a silent auction would be held at the 2013 State Horse Show in order to increase the funds in this account.

Finance Committee

Bill Crouse reported no new Finance Committee activity for 2012. He stated that the committee was on hold for 2012 and is starting to formulate a plan for fundraising in 2013. Dr. Yoder mentioned that the NCSU College of Agricultural and Life Sciences is formulating a new strategic plan for 2013 which will include a CALS capital campaign. He stated that the NCSU Equine Campaign will likely be rolled into this college campaign and recommended the Finance Committee take direction from this new plan.

The following 2013 NC 4-H Horse Program Sponsorships have been confirmed:

1) Horse Demonstration

South Central District	\$100
West District	\$200
McDowell Ride It Club	\$200
Downs Family	\$200
Verizon Matching (Downs)	\$200
<i>Still needed</i>	<i>\$600</i>

2) Horse Public Speaking

North Central District	\$1,000
Wake Co. 4-H Horse Council	\$600

3) Horse Bowl

Southern States Coop.	\$1,500??	(likely not the full amount)
South Central District	\$200	
Wake Co. 4-H Horse Council	\$150	
Candace Norman	\$100	
Michelle Lahr	\$100??	(needs to be confirmed)
<i>Still Needed</i>	<i>\$450</i>	

4) Hippology

NC Horse Council	\$2,000	(needs to be done as a grant)
South Central District	\$200	
<i>Still Needed</i>	<i>\$300</i>	

5) Horse Judging

NC Farm Bureau	\$300	
South Central District	\$200	
Orange Co. 4-H Horse Council	\$400	
Haywood County Silver Spurs	\$100	(needs to be confirmed)
Downs Family	\$100	
Verizon Matching (Downs)	\$100	
<i>Still Needed</i>	<i>\$1,300</i>	

6) Horse Show

Nutrena Feed	\$1,500
MD Barns	\$500

7) National 4-H Trip**

South East District	\$500
North East District	\$250
Downs Family	\$100
Verizon Matching (Downs)	\$100
<i>Still needed</i>	<i>\$50</i>

(NC 4-H Horse Program to cover amount if no sponsorship)

8) Artistic Expression

South Central District	\$300	(Painting, Craft, Photo)
Carteret County Roadrunners	\$100	(Drawing) (Matt Downs to verify)
Faith Ford	\$100	(Poster)
Debbie Hollowell and Amanda Baucom	\$100	(Sewing)
<i>Still needed</i>	<i>\$100</i>	<i>(Photo- Digitally Enhanced Category)</i>

9) Creative Writing Events

Orange Co. 4-H Horse Council	\$100	(Essay)
South Central District	\$200	(Short Story and Poetry)

10) Cumulative Record

Ag Carolina Farm Credit	\$500
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** Swapshop Funds & Banner Sales Funds to be added

Program Awards

The advisory board agreed to continue using the current awards portfolios and program medals for program awards. EHH has a moderate supply of medals and notepads in stock and will order belt buckles for the 2013 State 4-H Horse Show High Point awards sponsored by Nutrena Feeds. Additionally, EHH has a large supply of both high and low quality NC 4-H Horse program lapel pins. The advisory board agreed to continue to provide the Southern Regional Delegation with stall signs and t-shirts to 4-H'ers only. One t-shirt bid, from Stoney Fork Products, was submitted for review, and the advisory board agreed to continue to use Stoney Fork Products, as they donate \$3 for the sale of each shirt back to the NC 4-H Horse Program.

----- Break for Lunch -----

Dr. Todd See Report

Dr. Todd See, Head of the Animal Science Department, joined the advisory board and discussed the status of the open Extension Horse Specialist position with interested members during lunch.

Dr. See informed the board that the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences has a new dean, Dr. Linton, and that the college is undergoing substantial reorganization. With the development of the new College of Sciences, CALS will be consolidated, making the

Department of Animal Sciences one of the largest departments. The Department of Animal Science had a flat budget for 2012, and the 2013 budget will be announced within the next few weeks. Due to the fact that the federal farm bill has not passed, money may be reverted back to the federal government for 2013, resulting in budget cuts.

The advisory board asked what the status was of the technician position reclassifications. Dr. See said that since this process has already taken 12 to 18 months he would like to have the reclassifications finalized in the near future. The positions have already been evaluated, rebanded and the reclassification has been approved through HR. He expects to submit the final paperwork within the next few weeks and anticipates the reclassification being finalized at the beginning of 2013.

Executive Committee

Dr. Mike Yoder thanked the outgoing chair, Debbie Hollowell, and the 2012 board for all their time and efforts, and reminded the advisory board that Pam Holland, current vice chair, would move to incoming chair for 2013. The advisory board then issued nominations for the vice chair position. The following advisory board members were nominated for or continued on the executive committee. All committee nominations were unanimous.

West District- Colin Corbett (1 year)
North Central District- Pam Holland (1 year)
Northeast District- Lisa Briley (1 year)
South Central District- Laura Harper (2 years)
Southeast District- Lori Stroud (2 years)

Lori Stroud and Laura Harper were both nominated as vice chair, and Lori Stroud was voted in as 2013 executive committee vice chair. Executive committee meetings were scheduled for March 2 (Horse Bowl Contest) and July 10 (State Horse Show), with additional meetings to be scheduled as needed.

State 4-H Horse Show Evening Program Work Crew

The following advisory board members committed as work crew for the evening programs during the 2013 State 4-H Horse Show:

Pam Holland
Laura Harper
Richard & Helen Isley
Tom Mackey
Crystal Holden
Bill Crouse

4-H Horse Stewards Program

After discussions with the board, Dr. Yoder will look into offering two 4-H Horse Stewards workshops in late February or early March with one workshop geared towards individuals interested in becoming stewards and another for registered stewards and district horse show managers.

Curriculum Committee

Current curriculum committee members include Lissy Newton, Debbie Campbell, Laura Harper and Amanda Baucom. The committee had no new information to present to the board.

State 4-H Horse Show

Southern Regional Report

The 2012 Southern Regional 4-H Horse Championships was held in Perry, GA. North Carolina had a very successful Southern Regional event, and detailed accomplishments can be found on the EHH website. The 2013 Southern Regional event will be held in West Monroe, LA and will utilize the same show and educational contest schedules as previous events. North Carolina is scheduled to host the Southern Regional Show in 2014 through 2016 at the Fletcher Facility in Ashville, NC with extension agent support preapproved for 2014 only. Some state program leaders have indicated that they do not necessarily want to have this event in North Carolina for three consecutive years, so Dr. Yoder has made the following proposal to all state leaders in the Southern region. He has recommended that the Southern Regional event be held in North Carolina in 2014, but that in subsequent years a central show facility be located, such as Perry, GA, and that a show management company be hired to run the Southern Regional Horse Show. He proposed that the show management company be paid off of sponsorships, brought in by the company itself, while state specialists continue to organize all educational events. The details of this proposal are still being explored and may not take effect until 2016 or later.

4-H Horse Program Hotel Proposals

Robin Lynn passed around a folder of hotel bids for the 2013 NC 4-H Horse Program events. After all advisory board members reviewed the bids, the following hotel was selected via majority rule for the 2013 program year at a rate of \$69.90 +tax per night and a comp room policy of 1 room per 20:

Ramada Inn
1520 Blue Ridge Road
Raleigh, NC 27607
919.832.4100

2012 State 4-H Horse Show

Robin Lynn informed the board that the 2012 State 4-H Horse Show was very successful, with entry numbers consistent with that of the past few years, noting that entries in the Saddle Seat division are still stagnant. She also indicated that there were no protests or grievances this year.

Stall Committee

At the 2012 State 4-H Horse Show, 395 stalls were used with 653 bales of shavings sold. Scott Haley offered to coordinate the 2012 state show stall office and would be responsible

for stall check-in and coggins check during the entire show for \$1,200. He would provide additional help as needed. Richard Isley will contact Travis Alford for an additional stall coordinator bid. He indicated that Travis expressed interest in coordinating for 2013 and would charge \$2 per horse plus a 50% split on shavings profits. Upon receiving the second bid, EHH will select the stall coordinator for the 2013 State 4-H Horse Show.

Schooling Report

Candace Norman provided a report on the state horse show schooling. The motion was made, seconded and passed to accept Candace's report as written. Additional 2' and 2'6" schooling sessions will be designated throughout the show, costume and pleasure pairs schooling times will be removed, schooling in the covered arena on Friday will begin at 6:00am with 30 minute allocations for each discipline, and Friday and Saturday morning O/F schooling in the main arena will start at 7:00am. Candace also reminded all schooling supervisors to enforce the dress code and ban on all electronic devices while schooling. The following volunteers will serve as the schooling supervisors for the 2013 horse show:

Southeast District- Matt Downs
South Central District- Laura Harper
West District- Lisa Mackay
Northeast District- Lisa Briley
North Central District- Candace Norman (coordinator)

Show Office Committee

The following advisory board members have volunteered to assist in the show office:

Wednesday- Lisa Briley & Pam Holland
Thursday- Candace Norman & Rachel Dominessy
Friday- Candace Norman & Crystal Holden

Swap Shop

Lori Stroud gave the 2012 Swap Shop report to the advisory board. The Swap Shop sold \$10,735 worth of merchandise in four days. For the first time, the Swap Shop was able to take credit card transactions, which resulted in a total of \$73 in fees. Twenty percent of the proceeds, or \$2,144, was given to the NC 4-H Horse Program to be used for educational contest expenses. Lori Stroud agreed to chair the Swap Shop in 2013. The following committee members agreed to assist with the swap shop:

Amanda Baucom
Pam Holland (Thursday)
Laura Harper (to find additional help)

Ribbons Committee

The following volunteers have agreed to assist with handing ribbons out at the state horse show:

Western Division- North Central District
Hunter Division- Union County
Saddleseat/Non-Trotting Division- Kevin Gilliam
Gaming Division- Lisa Briley

Ring Crews

The following volunteers have agreed to assist as ring crew for the state horse show:

Western Division- Bill Crouse
Hunter Division- Union County
Saddleseat/Non-Trotting Divisions- Karen Jones
Gaming Division- Terry Temple

Social Committee

Johnston County 4-H, coordinated by Lori Stroud, will provide food directly with program funding for the Hospitality Room. To date, no additional help is needed. Nutrena Feeds may supply water bottles during the show in the Barnmaster building.

Jump Crew

The jump crew committee is to consist of Marlo King, Matt Downs, Tara Taylor, Connie Johnson & Carrie Everhart (backup). The committee will obtain greenery, jump equipment with the fairgrounds and provide patters to EHH in June.

Show Tabulations Committee

Candace Norman stated that the 2012 tabulations ran well, with one minor program glitch to be remedied. Tabulations will continue to post class result totals daily in 2013. The dressage committee will be responsible for locating additional help for Sunday dressage classes.

The board divided into sub-committees (Show Management- led by Dr. Mike Yoder; Show Classes/Rules/Schedule- led by Robin Lynn). The two subcommittees met and returned with the following recommendations that were voted on and approved by the board.

Show Management Sub-Committee (Dr. Yoder, Coordinator)

The following judges were recommended by members of the advisory board (they are listed in priority order). Saddleseat division suggestions were Dale Barnett and Elizabeth O'Bryant. Dr. Dave Deniston has been confirmed as the western division judge. Non-trotting division judge suggestions included Dale Barnett, Nichole Carswell, Jennifer Bingham and Jeff Daniels. The hunter division suggestions were Don Stewart, Laura Normont and Jennifer Chopping. The gaming division judge suggestion was Rebecca Liggins and the Adaptive riding division suggestion was Jessica Holland (via Pam Holland).

The opening ceremony will start with W and work to A. Any parties interested in performing during opening ceremonies should submit a video of their performance to EHH by February 15, 2013. Performances will be reviewed by the executive committee and the selected entry notified. The 2013 horse show program will keep the same class sponsorship (\$35/class, \$60 division) and advertizing (full \$100, half \$50, fourth \$35, business card \$20) fees and will continue to provide an award to the county with the most ads or sponsors. Additionally vendor fees will remain at \$200/space at the 2013 show. Class entry fees will remain at \$12/class for the 2013 show, with a \$6 administrative fee per horse. Stall fees will remain at \$65/stall and bids will be submitted for stall office and shavings management as discussed earlier.

Horse show medals will need to be reordered for 2013. Nutrena has agreed to sponsor the 2013 state show championship belt buckles with MD Barns sponsoring the reserve champion awards. Linda Hatfield will provide the 2013 Junior Sportsmanship Award and Bill Crouse will sponsor the Senior Sportsmanship Award. Billie Lewis Photography will continue as the 2013 NC State 4-H Horse Show photographer, and will provide a CD to EHH with the show champion and reserve champion pictures. She will need a camper space and will continue to sponsor the Junior and Senior Versatility classes.

The following individuals have been confirmed as announcers for the 2013 show: Angel Smith, Dave Goff and Pam Holland with Angela Kaus and Amanda Baucom confirmed as backups. The North Central District and the Southeast Districts agreed to bring back-up timers in case of problems with the NC State Fairgrounds set.

Chris Young is confirmed as the horse show farrier.

Show Management Suggestions That Passed (Dr. Yoder, Coordinator)

****These new rules will be added to the 2013 NC 4-H Horse Program Rulebook early in 2013. Please view the rulebook on the EHH website for more information.****

1. Official USEF and NCHJA pony measurement cards will be accepted in order to minimize the number of ponies that must be measured by program stewards. A checkbox will be added to the 2013 Horse Eligibility Card which specifies which association card was presented to the show steward.
2. Implementation of a Ranch Horse Division will be pursued for the 2014 State 4-H Horse Show.

Show Classes, Rules and Schedule That Passed (Robin Lynn, Coordinator)

****These new rules will be added to the 2013 NC 4-H Horse Program Rulebook early in 2013. Please view the rulebook on the EHH website for more information.****

1. Trail will be moved to E Barn arena.
2. The Hunter Pony Division flat classes will be moved from Thursday to Saturday.
3. Rules for the Stake Race will be changed to align with AQHA rules.
4. Gaming will be moved to the indoor arena during inclement weather if possible.

5. Saddleseat Pleasure rules will be reworded to align with industry standards.
6. No cross-entry will be allowed between Saddleseat County English Pleasure and Saddleseat English Pleasure.
7. A walk only class will be added to all three levels of the Adaptive Riding Division.
8. The Other Non-Trotting 2-Gait class will be changed to Other Non-Trotting 2-Gait English Pleasure and no cross-entry will be allowed between the Walking, Racking and Other Non-Trotting English Pleasure and 3-Gait Pleasure classes.
9. In the Other Non-Trotting classes, gaits will be called “favorite walk,” “favorite intermediate gait,” and “favorite 3rd gait.”
10. Change the wording in the rulebook to clarify that all entries must qualify at the district level to compete in non-point classes.
11. A 30 minute tack change will be added before Stock-Type Hunter Under Saddle.

Education Contest Coordinating Committee

This committee will remain defunct for 2013. Matt Downs and Lisa Mackay expressed interest in developing a Communication Contest team and will pursue this idea and report to the board in 2013. Candace Norman agreed to tabulate at the Horse Judging and Horse Bowl/Hippology Contests. Matt Downs, Debbie Campbell and Pam Holland agreed to assist with tabulation of the Hippology and Horse Bowl Contests.

NC/VA Horse Leaders' Conference and Future Recommendations

Jessica Hicks reported on the 2012 NC/VA Horse Leaders Conference, held in conjunction with the AYHC Symposium in Virginia.

In July, the executive committee decided to align the 2013 NC/VA Horse Leaders Conference with the North Carolina Leaders Conference in February of 2013. While the NC Leaders Conference does not have any specific horse-oriented sessions, we will be allowed as many breakout sessions as desired. The Leader Training Committee, composed of Candace Norman, Bill Crouse and additional board members will determine the conference curriculum in January, 2013. Registration and lodging will be organized through the NC Leaders Conference, and 4-H leaders from VA are welcome to attend the conference.

Horsemanship Camp

4-H Horsemanship Camp dates have been confirmed with 4-H for June 16-23, 2013. Jessica Hicks presented data on the 2012 Horsemanship Camp evaluation forms. Overall, evaluations looked very positive, with campers enjoying the new cabin facilities, but still requesting additional work to be done on barns, stalls and riding arenas. Bill Crouse told the board that no additional renovations have been done at Camp Millstone in 2012. 4-H confirmed that camper fees will remain at \$395 for 2013.

The Western NC Horsemanship Camp, which gives priority to 4-H'ers in the western part of the state, will be held June 10-12, 2013 at the Western NC Horse Facility in Arden, NC.

Creative Writing Contests

Lissy Newton has agreed to continue chairing both the Artistic Expression and Creative Writing Contests for 2013. Lori Stroud agreed to locate judges for the 2013 Creative Writing contests.

Artistic Expression Contests

Bobbi Spinnenweber agreed to find additional volunteers to assist Lissy Newton with the coordination of the Artistic Expression contests during the 2013 State 4-H Horse Show. The board passed the following Artistic Expression contest rule changes for 2013, which will be updated in the program rulebook at the beginning of the year:

1. Artistic Expression should add “Crafts-Sculpture” and “Functional” entries.
2. Delete references to “shipping as criteria for the Poster Contest.
3. Delete references to “sewing” in the rulebook.
4. Delete references to “crafts” in the rulebook.
5. Clarify the description and add criteria that are specific to the Digitally Enhanced Photography contest so that this event is clearly differentiated.
6. Add clarification that a date imprint on a photo does not count as a caption.
7. Add a section in the rulebook on media and presentation.
8. Add the phrase, “or mounted on a mat board with minimum 1” and maximum 3” boarder” to the end of V11-13.3.d.

Horse Judging Contest

Due to the change in district activity days for 2013, a date and location for the 2013 Horse Judging Contest have yet to be confirmed. All agents and advisory board members will be notified when a location and date are determined. The oral reasons scorecard will continue to be used in 2013, but will be modified to include simplified checkboxes instead of point allocations per category.

Horse Bowl Contest

The 2013 Horse Bowl Contest will be held at NC A&T University, Greensboro, NC on March 2, 2013 in conjunction with the 2013 Hippology Contest. The advisory board agreed to continue to require each team competing at the state contest to provide a volunteer leader for the duration of the contest to fulfill doorkeeper, scorekeeper, hallway monitor and runner roles. Kristen Kaus, Elizabeth Rhodes, Alison Thompson, Margaret Harper and Carrie Everhart were candidates recommended to serve as moderators. The Bill Crouse and Richard Isley have agreed to identify individuals to police trash at the Horse Bowl Contest. Swap shop proceeds will continue to support national travel.

Hippology Contest

The 2013 Hippology Contest will be held at NC A&T University, Greensboro, NC on March 2, 2013 in conjunction with the 2013 Horse Bowl Contest. As in previous years, the judging portion of this contest will be done via video. The Northwest District will provide sponsorship for the 2013 Junior Horseperson of the Year award and a sponsor still needs to be located for the Senior Horseperson of the Year award. Swap shop proceeds will continue to support national travel.

Horse Cumulative Record Contest

The cumulative record contest will continue to be sponsored by Carolina Farm Credit through the NC 4-H Horse Program Endowment Fund.

New Business

A motion was made, seconded and passed to provide double elimination matches for all horse bowl contests at the district level only, regardless of the number of teams per division.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Jessica E. Hicks
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Dr. Mike Yoder
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