November 4, 2018 NERPC Annual Meeting

1. Call to order/Roll Call Sarah Varney- Epona (DC) Linda Darling-Mollyockett (DC) Angela McMahon-Three Flags (Jt DC/VRS) Heidi Blodgett- Three Flaggs (DC) Lisa Warren- Treasurer 3 Flags Chandra Kane- Foxcroft (DC) Beth McEvoy- Foxcroft (Treasurer) Cindy Allen- Clary Lake Pony Club (DC) Megan Britton- Penobscot (DC) Regan Nickels- Penobscot (DC) Andrea Gimpel-Blanchard- Tamarack (DC) Stacy Barnes- Tamarack (Treasurer) Medux-not able to attend Seacoast-not able to attend Carlisle-attended via phone (Sarah Armentrout)

2. Additions/adjustments to the agenda

3. **Minutes reviewed:** Last meeting took place at Rendezvous. Sarah Varney reviewed minutes by Lucy Hunt

NERPC dues \$15.00, rallies, clinics, upper level rating preps, camps reviewed. fundraisers for pony club throughout the year. Discussion about insurance. Treasurers report. Silent auction: \$105.00 which is a donation to the National Office as NERPC donation.

## Summary of the year:

Rendezvous March 2 & 3rd, 2019—Cindy Allen

January 30-February 3rd—National Convention in Connecticut

Trading pins for Champs-available

Megan moved to accept, Linda Darling 2nd, all in favor.

Current membership-123

Rendezvous—around 100 participants

Quiz 15 teams

Standards and Certificates and clinic: Karen Murcotte (NE)-30 people attended, 8 riders in the clinic

Showjumping-7 teams, 2 HMX

Dressage rally-rescheduled then cancelled

Regional C rating-at Peppergrass-Chris Kheim

National Rating—C3—Olivia Richmond (passed)

Champs—8 members participated in Quiz (Jr D-3rd, Sr. D- 4th, C team 3rd, and individual awards) NERPC was well represented.

Games clinic - 22 participated

Megan Britton, motion to accept, Stacy Barnes 2nded,

## 4. New Business

*Treasurer's report:* Checking—\$8265.75 Savings (Champs fund)—5 cents , assets ? Beth reviewed the Budget of 2018—See Budget sheet provided

**Policies:** January 2019 clubs no longer have policies the clubs fall under the regions policies. At a spring meeting we will discuss any changes, additions or deletions to the policies. Include something about requirements for ratings (flowcharts, etc.)

## 5. Proposed Budget for 2019

A discussion was held about how to increase income (increase dues, increase rally fees, decrease expenses, fundraising, etc.)Increase only qualifying rally fees. Charge for the clinic after Standards and Certificates Do Horse Management clinic at Rendezvous Budget: Standards and Certificates—\$1200 Contact Sarah Adams to do some Horse Management at Rendezvous Transfer \$ into Champs account—\$500.00 Annual meeting—\$1000.00 (based on location) National Youth Congress—500.00 Corporate Membership fees—\$200.00 Donation to USPC—\$100.00 (Silent Auction at Rendezvous) NE/CHMJ fee—\$175.00 Any questions or discussion—none Motion to accept Proposed Budget and report as read: Linda Darling, 2nded Megan Britton

## Nominating Committee:

RS- Sarah Varney VRS- Angela Treasurer-Beth Secretary-Cindy HMO-Peggy Appointed Position—RIC-Megan Britton

Motion to accept: Andrea Gimpel Blanchard, 2nded Regan Nickels, All in favor

**Regional Programs:** Penobscot has 2 clubs going on and has interest in educational programming. RIC will help set up educational opportunities such as group study sessions, coordinating with Sarah Adams (if she would be willing to do upper level preps C2 and up), study groups with tracks. D level groups or possibly a D3/C1 group. Amanda DeLux—is doing D level mini camps. She's willing to help teach upper levels how to teach.

**Other:** Beth McEvoy brought up the concern about having a Northeast Region Website. Would like to see someone in charge of the website and keeping it updated. Facebook things get lost and it's frustrating because not everyone sees the updates, changes and information. <u>\*\*DC's will</u> see if there are any members in their club's (any age) to keep the website updated.

Email list: Sign in as a DC to the USPC website and you have access to the regional officers emails, etc.

Beth Mcevoy will set up a google doc with everyones emails and contact info.

If your club is doing something that may be of interest to other clubs please email out the information. Inter club activities are beneficial.

Eventing 101: Was done last year for people interested in learning more about eventing. Megan will see if Debbie is willing to do this again.

Penobscot is transitioning from their FB page to a more public site. All are welcome to check out their site for what's going on in their club.

How can we encourage all clubs to participate in the meetings??

Andrea Gimpel Blanchard has access to Maine General conference rooms that have capability to call in 25 people via phone. This may be useful for our clubs that are further away.

Proposed Calendar: aim for festival year to have qualifying rallies (2020).

Pasta and Parasites: February 17 (Beth McEvoy—all are welcome-mid winter horse management)

Rendezvous: March 2 & 3rd (keynote speaker). Have a formalized meeting after the banquet for the instructors and raters for pony club to attend to be all on the same page with the standards.

\*Each club needs a person to be in charge for their club to provide a presenter. Cindy Allen will be in charge of setting up what each club will be responsible for. Megan Britton-contact person from Penobscot

Quiz: Clary Lake Pony Club: April 6th, snow date April 7th

Standards and Certificates: Do at Rendezvous.

Dressage Rally: Tamarack-June

PPC Camp- June 26, 27, 28 (If you have any C's who are interested in helping teach they should be in contact with Penobscot)

PPC mini camps- with Amanda DeLux—-July 14& 15, Aug 4 & 5 (other clubs invited)

Showjumping Rally: Epona, July 20th

Rusty Knees Horse Trials- looking at holding it at the end of July

Games Clinic — August 17th rain date of 18th

Adjourn: 12:56 Megan Britton Stacy Barnes 2nd. all in favor.