



The April GCSCA meeting was called to order on April 21, 2008 by President Lisa Paquet at 7:40 pm at the Country Kitchen in Cannon Falls.

Roll call was as follows: Cannon Falls, Hay Creek, Pine Island & Saddlelite were present.

The **Secretary's Report** was read and approved.

Treasurer's Report – beginning balance \$2946.14. Donna Steffanhagen \$59.43 for photo copies (GCSCA books). \$1090.00 deposit for books, dues and numbers. Ending balance is 3976.71

Carole submitted a bill for Hodges \$143.25 (2008 permanent numbers) – Cannon Falls made a motion to pay, seconded by Hay Creek.

A motion was made by Cannon Falls, 2nd by Hay Creek to open a savings account and move \$3000 from checking to the savings account. Community Federal in Red Wing is offering 2.5% interest.

\$75.00 check was received from Hay Creek for dues. A \$30.00 check was received from Saddlelite for additional books and numbers.

Old Business:

- Cannon Falls still owe their dues. The dues are \$75.00.
- Saddlelite purchased 5 additional books and 5 additional numbers (pmt rec'd).
- Keep selling the GCSCA books we have a good number of books still available! Carole will bring a stack of books and GCSCA numbers to the first show in Northfield. She'll also try to make a poster drawing attention to them being available.
- Just a reminder that HCVSC has camping & stalls available for their 2 day show. It's available for Friday and Saturday night. Jo Dee Macena tickets are available for Saturday night (\$20 and \$50 tickets).
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New Business:

- Discussed the annual show and possibly revamping the way it's done in the future? A few of the clubs struggle putting on the show – maybe we want to look at having GCSCA organize the show and have it rotate between the arenas that are owned by clubs? Please discuss at your meetings. Another idea came up also; the bylaws state that all clubs must have volunteers helping at the annual show but that doesn't always happen. It was discussed to assign jobs to each club each year; for example have Hay Creek volunteers responsible for the gate, Rainbow volunteers responsible for ribbons, Saddlelite volunteers responsible for the entry stand; etc. Again, please discuss at your meetings and bring your opinions & ideas back to the May meeting.
- Pine Island is again having their Memorial Day trail ride. Tickets must be ordered by May 18th. Carole will put the flyer on the website.
- Discussed that Andrea as VP is responsible for measuring the ponies in 2008. Carole will get cards printed again. To minimize potential conflicts with how the ponies are measured, it was set that they would be measured: On the same flat surface, on top of the withers, down

the shoulder and directly behind the front leg. Each club should announce that all ponies will be measured at X time and they must be measured prior to their class. GCSCA members only need to have their ponies measured at the first show because they will then have their GCSCA pony card (that should be provided to the entry stand when they sign up for the classes). Ponies must be 54" or under for GCSCA rules. Lisa P volunteered to help with the actual measuring because Andrea is showing in halter and showmanship this year.

- The 2008 Annual banquet was discussed. Please check with your clubs to see what they would like for year end awards, high point awards, where they would like it held, do they want entertainment again? Organizing the event will begin soon – please bring all ideas back to the May GCSCA meeting.
- We have been having some difficulty in getting ALL clubs to attend the GCSCA monthly meetings. A couple of times Carole has heard from members that they couldn't make it because of the time commitment. An idea was brought forth to begin holding the GCSCA monthly meeting as a Conference Call. And still meet "live" quarterly. We will give it a try. The May meeting will be a conference call. There are many free conference calls services, although it may not be a local number. Everyone thought that would be fine as they could use their cell phones. Carole will email all delegates instructions and the phone number everyone will call to join the meeting.
- Please email or fax the list of GCSCA numbers sold by your club to Carole ASAP.

The next meeting will be a conference call at 7:30 pm on May 19th. (Carole will send conference call instructions via email prior to the call.)

Respectfully Submitted,
Carole Adams / GCSCA Treasurer