Ontario Association of Equine Practitioners (OAEP)
Executive Meeting Minutes
August 13, 2015

Members in Attendance

- Julie Ballinger, Stan Henderson, Luis Arroyo, Colleen Best

Approval of last Executive Meeting Minutes is discussed

- Could not be approved due to not having a quorum at meeting

WELFARE COMMITTEE UPDATE

- Stan spoke to Mary Bell; she said they're very close to putting together guidelines for rescue organizations

OAEP Newsletter – to be discussed with Jessica Peatling

Rhinitis Vaccine Update - Stan Henderson

- Discussion of this item was tabeled

Racing Committee Update - Julie Ballinger

- Not much has happened; Julie Ballinger hasn't heard from the Racing Committee itself. Having an on-call veterinarian went well at the NA Cup and Prince of Wales. Adam has suggested having media training at ORC meeting in February. The idea is to have someone available for televised events - WEG and Fort Erie. This is in hand for now. OVMA is ready and willing to provide support for these events.
- With respect to the fate of the ORC – can't get straight answers, currently restructuring. Elmer Buchanan is supportive of our rule change requests, but can't promise things right now. Adam is still fighting for no injectibles on race day.

Review of CE Survey Data from OAEP Members - CE Committee

Review of CE Committee Objectives for 2015 - CE Committee

- Respiratory Panel – Sept 26, 3pm at OVC; Huw Llewellyn, Rob Tremblay, Laurent Viel; have question on registration about going out to dinner after.
- Ophthomology Webinar – to be considered

Dr. Sue Dyson Potential CE Opportunity - Ev Post (tentative, she is letting us know if she will make it)

- Motion that we have the AGM at the Sue Dyson event

OVMA Update - Colleen Best

- Update on call re food-producing antibiotics, telemedicine, delegation
- Motion – that we set up meeting with OVMA, OHR and OAEP re future and structure of racing oversight
- Motion - OVMA-OAEP meeting to chat about how to get along and work together productively
- Motion – relationship with Equine Canada, bring this up with OVMA, need better working relationship

Treasury Update

- Pat Meyers will be asked if he can please follow up with OMAFRA/Alison Moore regarding outstanding cheque

Current membership count

- Tabeled (Tanya Smith not present)

Website Review

- Could our website be more user friendly?
- Colleen Best to talk to Jessica Peatling and Tanya Smith about getting things posted – contact Giant Goat
- Need to get constitution/by-laws posted to the website

Regional Reps

- Tabled until next meeting

Constitution

- Tabled until next meeting

Mary Bell update

- Mary Bell is on a disease surveillance Equine Canada committee
- Had their first teleconference, Quebec has a good disease surveillance program, Manitoba and Alberta's are a bit sketchy; still working on EIA downloading onto practitioners – one of her projects is 'outfitters' that do trail rides thru national parks, that's a federal program, reportable diseases, need testing, federal jurisdiction; horses being ridden on federal lands should have a negative EIA test

Awards

- Distinguished – contribution to the association, must be run through executive, but doesn't need to originate from exec
- Honorary – contribution to the industry, must be run through executive, but doesn't need to originate from exec
- Encourage via newsletter or minutes – nominate people for these awards/status

Schedule next executive meeting -to be scheduled in 5 weeks by JP, aiming for the middle of October