WHVPHA Zoom meeting minutes May 22 2020

Called to order. Members present:

Mary Peres

Susan Clark

Gary Clark

Jody Moraski

Debbie Norris

Monica Rauschenbach

Christie Barricella

Nicole Peres

Denise Dahms

Annette Mohr

Juliet Charkin

Tricia Dencker

Diane Hatt

Karla Barricella

President Jody Moraski called for discussion of reopening guidelines for barns to resume riding lessons and hold horse shows. Denise Dahms read aloud the NYS Phase 1 Guidelines for riding lessons to resume. The Mid-Hudson Region plans to be in Phase 1 next week beginning May 26 2020.

In order to hold horse shows, the county must be in Phase 3. Rules are changing almost on a daily basis. Susan Clark has canceled Lucky C’s May show.

Tricia Dencker said it may be possible to apply for an exemption from NYS in order to hold horse shows. Renee at Farm Bureau has been helpful to her in deciphering the rules. Jody will start the paperwork to apply for an exemption for all WHVPHA horse shows from the Mid-Hudson Region. Everyone voted “yes” in favor.

Each barn will need to complete a business safety plan template and keep it handy. The link is: <https://www.governor.ny.gov/sites/governor.ny.gov/files/atoms/files/NYS_BusinessReopeningSafetyPlanTemplate.pdf> Upon completion of the template, you will be able to print a safety certificate.

The safety plan does not have to be approved by the state, but it does have to be kept on hand and must made available to the New York State Department of Health (DOH) or local health or safety authorities in the event of an inspection.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Juliet Charkin, recording secretary