

## **TriState Riding Club Meeting Minutes**

**April 21, 2022**

**Two key votes were taken this month. Read below!**

### **Guest Speaker**

Our guest speaker for the month was Greta “Jade” Krafsig. She is the owner/operator of White Oaks Stables in Warrenton, Virginia. White Oaks specializes in lessons for minorities and underserved populations. Jade told us that she grew up in a single parent household and started riding at age 14. She found it to be a wonderful therapy for her and decided to make it her vocation. She started teaching at age 21 and purchased White Oaks in 2014. Lessons are only \$25/hour and she offers scholarships and an opportunity to be a working student which earns a lesson for every three times chores are done.

**VOTE:** Members expressed support for White Oaks as their lesson program fits well with our principles and objectives. The membership voted to approve a \$500 scholarship. In addition, Adair (Another Turn Tack Shop) offered to help with supplies and Kristen offered legal services. Donations can also be made through [https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted\\_button\\_id=322YJ2VTM9VTE](https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=322YJ2VTM9VTE)

### **Minutes**

The minutes from the March meeting were approved my voice vote.

### **Treasurer’s Report**

Our checking balance is \$18,257.00. We had income of \$520 from dues, \$50 from JPR and \$1470 from lessons. Our expenses were \$1840.

### **English Lesson Program**

We have 14 lessons scheduled for May, 6 in the evenings and 5 on weekends to accommodate members schedules.

### **Western Lesson Program**

Lessons are going well and camp is fully subscribed.

### **English Camp**

Camp will be in three one-week sessions with two groups each week and five riders each session. More information and sign-up is on the TSRC website.

### **JPR Update**

A volunteer for publicity is still needed and a May 2 meeting is planned to organize the obstacles.

### **Working Equitation**

The proposal to purchase WE obstacles was refined and split into two proposals to be funded over two years. The first year is \$3000.

**VOTE:** After some discussion, the membership voted to approve the expenditure of \$3000 to begin purchasing obstacles.

### **Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be a potluck picnic at TruLiberty Farm on May 22 from 4-7 pm. There will be no meeting in June.

### **Drawing for Free Lesson**

Elaine won the lesson.