**FIRC Board of Directors’ Meeting**

October 14, 2012, Stephens City, VA

**Directors Present**: Tony Colicchio, Laura Colicchio, Rich Moore, Marcia Newman (in person) and Charlotte Reilly (by phone)

**Directors Absent:** Sam Castleman, Suzi McGraw

**Members Present**: Pat Moore

The meeting began at 1:40 pm and ended at 3:15 pm.

The board approved the minutes of the July 22, 2012 meeting

**Treasurer’s Report**

**Opening balance:** $4,376.62(July, 2012)

*Income Items:* $75.00

*Total* $4,654.62

*Expenses Items:* none

*Total:*  none

**Current Balance:** $4,654.62

**Membership**

There are 41 individual and family memberships in the club. Since the July meeting, three new members have joined – Steph Butts, Marjorie Lewis, and Maryjane Ryzner.

**Old Business**

**Clinics**

Gudmar Petursson conducted a clinic from October 5 to 7 in Catharpin, VA. It was organized by

Susan Milloy. The clinic was a great success.

**Trail Ride**

A ride on the Manassas National Battlefield Park, VA on September 9 was organized by Sverrir Bjartmarz and Mitch Martin. The ride went well.

**Insurance**

The board voted unanimously to renew the current insurance policy. Tony Colicchio planned to submit an application to the insurance company.

**Sanctioned Shows**

**FIRC Show**. The board had voted by email in mid September to authorize the show committee to conduct a FIRC sanctioned show at Frying Pan Farm Park in Herndon, VA from May 18 to 19, 2013. Pat Moore, the chairperson of the show committee, reported to the board on the progress of the committee to prepare for the show. The committee consists of Pat, Sverrir Bjartmarz, Kim Davis, and Sali Peterson.

**KYIHS**. The board voted unanimously to spend $50.00 to sponsor a class at the Kentucky Icelandic Horse Show in October, 2012.

The board voted unanimously to provide a stipend of $50.00 to any member of the FIRC who rode for the first time in the Kentucky Icelandic Horse Show in at least one class on his or her horse.

**Drill Team**

The drill team has continued to practice monthly. The team did a breed demonstration at Homestead Farm in Catlett, Virginia on September 23. Jo Ann Brown boarded her horse at the farm and arranged the team’s appearance.

**New Business**

**Activities**

Halloween Ride on November 3 in Upper Marlboro, MD will be organized by Laura and Tony Colicchio.

Parade of Horses in December in Front Royal, VA was in the planning stages. Rich Moore will be the point of contact.

Club Holiday Party in December. Tony Colicchio has been in contact Barbara Sollner-Webb who has hosted previous events. Possible dates are December 15 or 29.

Horse Expo from February 23-24, 2013 in Harrisburg, PA. The board voted unanimously to authorize a club booth at the expo. Tony Colicchio will be the point of contact. The club is currently on a waiting list for a booth on breed row.

Gudmar clinic from April 22-26, 2013 in Louisville, KY. Laura Colicchio is the point of contact.

The board voted unanimously to authorize Rich Moore to spend $150 to replace the club’s public address system, whichgave up the ghost after almost 10 years of faithful service.

**Elections**

The board discussed the annual election of directors in December. Laura Colicchio, as the club vice-president, will coordinate the election process.

**Next Meeting Date and Location**

The next board meeting will be held at Tony and Laura Colicchio’s home in Upper Marlboro, MD on January 13, 2013.