



# T.E.A.D. ANNUAL REPORT

2016

THE EQUESTRIAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE DISABLED



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# Message from the Chair of the Board

Dr. Lindsey George

**TEAD Board Chair Report 2017** 

Eighteen months ago the Board made a commitment to review all aspects of TEAD to develop a more sustainable organizational model. We reviewed finances, programs and organizational structure. I'm happy to report that we have completed and reviewed our first year operating in the new model. Our main

commitments were to pare back our programming to our core business of individual and group riding lessons and summer camp. We also committed to reducing our operating budget by \$100,000. To achieve this we reduced our costs through streamlining operations and instituting a new organizational structure (for example, doing away with the position of executive director). We also made a commitment to focus our fundraising efforts in three areas: major gifts, major events and community engagement.

In terms of programming we realized that we had grown our commitment to a range of programs without having the funds to support them. We made a decision to get back to our core business – group and individual lessons and summer camp and to stop programming over the winter as this session had not been financially viable. This is in fact what we have done over the past year. Our sessions have been very well attended and the horses have successfully been fostered over the winter. This has significantly reduced our winter costs.

In terms of our budget it was quite obvious that our costs outstripped our income in terms of operations by \$180,000.00. Over the past year we have reduced our operating debt to 1/3 or about \$60,000. It is our belief that over the next 1-2 years we will have stabilized the finances such that our operations will be revenue neutral. Fundraising revenue is up though not as high as we would like it. We've learned, I think, that fundraising is most successful if we focus on a two to three year cycle of doing what is successful. Our two main events this year, the Gala and the Knights of Valor have the potential to raise even more in the coming years. In terms of major gifts and smaller private donations we raised close to \$40,000. In this area we have the potential to raise substantially more but this will take some increased capacity amongst our volunteer base.

Fundraising, as we know, is a very labor intensive activity. We can only meet our targets with continued commitment from a large number of volunteers.

In terms of organizational structure we made the decision not to have an ED position. Instead we created a collaborative management structure with our three senior staff. We have recently undertaken a strategic review of the organization and we believe the structure is a sound one for TEAD.



Two other decisions we made regarding structure are also under review. The first is that we decided, in our first year, not to hire a volunteer coordinator. The functions of volunteer coordination have been spread amongst program assistants and horse management. This has been challenging and the Board and management team will be considering other ways to support our critical volunteer base.

Finally, we feel we need to consider having a dedicated fundraiser. TEAD has no immediate prospect of reliable funding. We have the ongoing task or raising 1/3 of our annual budget. This is a very big ask for both staff and volunteers. While this wouldn't obviate the need for volunteers to support fundraising it could mean that someone would be doing the overall management of fundraising efforts.

I would like to thank our dedicated staff and my fellow Board members. It has been a privilege to serve on the Board this past four years.

Lindsey George, Board Chair

## **Operational Committees**

#### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Chair, Sabrena Dorris

Committee Members: Vivian Lee, Natalie Murdock and Kim Curran-Meadowcroft



The Community Engagement Committee embarked on several initiatives this past year that included having a TEAD Booth at Fall Fairs, placing donation boxes at local businesses and conducting several presentations at local service clubs. Our major event was the Knights of Valour - Jousting Fundraiser. This was a highly attended event that involved having over 600 elementary school students attend an educational program and show, along with an evening dinner show that was sold out with over 300 tickets sold. The evening performance was also well attended and

the event raised \$7,000 for TEAD. It also accomplished the important goal of bringing new people out to learn about TEAD and our wonderful program. The lessons learned from this event will be applied to the next one we run, which we plan to do in the Spring of 2018.

Additional activities coming up for the committee include A Comedy Night - with proceeds going to TEAD; Social Media Contests and more!

The committee will be focused on developing a more robust schedule of activities so that we can be more proactive with getting out to events. This schedule will be available to our membership and volunteers so that folks can get involved where they are able. Please visit our website for updates.





#### MAJOR EVENTS FUNDRAISING - ANNUAL GALA

Chair, Carol Stanton Co-Chairs, Hilary Webb, Allison Woodall

The "Jeans and Jewels - An Upscale Hoedown" Gala event was a tremendous success for TEAD. It was planned as an opportunity to gain new friends for TEAD, as well as raising funds that are essential to financially support programming at TEAD. Income raised from this event is \$21,000 and we also established new relationships that will lead to improved community awareness of our organization.



It was a party that included fabulous entertainment from Carl Jennings and Freedom Train, MC involvement from Darrin and Colleen (Fresh FM radio), visits from the Hamilton Police Department's Mounted Unit and a welcome address from Mayor Fred Eisenberger. It was a full dance floor for most of the night! The party was organized by 22 energetic TEAD volunteers, along with exceptional support from Allison Woodall and Hilary Webb. I would like to extend sincere thanks to everyone who contributed time and energy to "Jeans and Jewels". We are looking forward to another Gala celebration with TEAD. Stay tuned for news and dates to come in the future.



#### MAJOR GIFTS/ SPONSORSHIP COMMITTEE

Chair, Lindsey George

Committee Members: Dale Anderson, Mary Finstad and Erin Harvey

The Major Gifts and Sponsorships Committee is meant to assist the Board in carrying out its key fund-raising role through development and implementation of an ongoing/major patronage strategy, an ongoing/major sponsorship strategy, and securing substantial horse and rider sponsorships. The committee was able to bring in \$40,000 in donations this past year and would like to continue to explore corporate horse sponsorships with a focus on year over year donations. This is an area that the Board would like to devote more time and resources to over the coming year.



### Volunteers Highlights 2016

- During our busiest sessions in 2016 (Spring and Fall) we required more than 250 volunteer hours each week to run the program. These volunteers assisted with classes, grooming and tacking up the horses and leading and side-walking.
- ► Each evening dedicated volunteers come out at 7:30pm to feed and water the horses and do final checks on them.
- Property maintenance, grounds keeping and barn chores are carried out by a small team of dedicated volunteers.
- ► Graphic design for brochures, flyers and advertising for our events have been sponsored by and produced by volunteers
- ▶ We had a professional video filmed and created for us by Double Barrel Studios who donated their time and energy to this project.
- Our IT support including maintenance of our website is provided by volunteer Alistair MacKenzie of Foxroy.
- Our fundraising event committees comprise of a small number of staff and volunteers who generously give their time. They play an active role in the planning and execution of these events.
- Volunteers attend Community Fairs and events, promoting TEAD and engaging new volunteers.

#### **VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION**

- At the end of our Spring and Fall sessions and summer camp we like to get together with our volunteers to say thank you with refreshments in the barn at the end of each session.
- ▶ We recognized the great achievements and dedication of specific volunteers each month and will continue to do so through-out the season.
- In February 2017 we held a Winter Fun Day at the farm in honour of our volunteers. Homemade chili, treats and thank you cards were given to everyone who came out. Sleigh/wagon rides were generously donated by Trillium Hill Clydesdales. We plan to host a similar event next year! We hope that the weather will cooperate better next time!

A heartfelt thank you goes out to all our volunteers for all they do to keep T.E.A.D.'s riders in the saddle and our horses, safe, healthy and happy.



## 2016 TEAD SPONSORS, DONORS & GRANTS

Pamela Allin	Alison Gibson	Joan O'Callaghan
Alex Paparella	William and Janet Bullen	Leslie Ollerhead
Ancaster Rotary AM	Kevin & Deb Glenn	Optimist Club of Stoney Creek
Archie Horn & Sons Plumbing	Goegan Family	Donna Portree
Bill Arrowsmith	Bruce Goodbrand	Charles Purich
Nancy Bailey	Anita Gough	Catherine Quinn
Carol Baldwin	Gary Grace	Laura Rivers-Young
Bell Canada Volunteer Grant	Greenhawk Cambridge	Ian Robinson
Benevity	Brian Guest	Karol Romanowsky
Binbrook OES #117	Guidice Family	Rotary Club of Ancaster AM
Joyce Bishop	Ham Gallery of Distinction /	Royal Bank
Kevin Blanchard	Scott Radley	Lanny & Marie Salmon
Guerrina Bombini	Carl Hamsfield	Maria Sedore
Leslie Born	Harvey Family Foundation	Connie Simpson
Olivia Brown	Kerry Houlding	Mary Sinclair
Eileen Bunn	Independant Order of Odd Fellows	Councillor Donna Skelly, City of Hamilton
George & Sandra Burdis	Johanna Beal	
Carole Chambers	Joyce Johnston	Teresa Smith Claire St. Pierre
Paul Chatterton	Ann Jones	
Checkered Flag Bar and Grill	Joel Jordan  Nanov Josling	Carol Stanton
Deb Codispodi	Nancy Josling Chris Klemens	Mary Elizabeth Stanton  Donna Sutherland
Lynne Collins	-	
Councillor Doug Conley, City of	Judy Knighton  Heide & Alfred Koehn	Paul and Mary Jane Suwinski  David Szwarc
Hamilton Councillor Tom Jackson, City of	Amelia Kowalyshyn	Jeffrey Teal
Hamilton	Charles Krick	Gudren Thomas
Lynne Cree	Judy Mansfield-Jones	
Da-Lee Dust Control		Frances Thompson
Del Mitton	Mary Marranca Darren McCrory	Sue Tilley  Doug Vermoor
Dendekker, Rachel	Nancy McKay	Doug Vermeer  John & Ellie Voortman
Diane Bradfield	Meadowcroft Family	Susan Walker
Dundas Civitan	Sarah & Cindy Meinzinger	(We make every attempt to recognize all of
Amber Fillion	Mitchell Abbott Employees	our donors. If we have missed you we apologize and ask you to let us know so we
Food Basics - King St W, Hamilton	Group	can be sure to include you in future)
Foodland - Cayuga	Mitchell Abbott Insurance	
Fortino's - Dundurn, Hamilton	Deb Nelson	
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Mary Ellen Newell

Dr. Lindsey George



# Financial Report

#### T.E.A.D. EQUESTRIAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE DISABLED

#### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

#### AS AT NOVEMBER 30, 2016

#### **ASSETS**

CURRENT		<u>2016</u>		<u>2015</u>
CURRENT Cash (Note 2)	\$	367,653	\$	65,275
Accounts Receivable	,	•	•	2,738
HST Recoverable		10,145		5,914
Prepaid Expenses		1,547		7,938
		379,345		81,865
Fixed Assets (Note 3)		3,853		399,327
	\$	383,198	\$	481,192
LIABILITIES AND NET	ASSETS			
CURRENT				
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	\$	8,254	\$	75,115
Deferred Revenue (Note 4)		20,919		5,001
Mortgage Payable (Note 5)		-		338,596
Private Operating Loan (Note 6)		-		105,000
		29,173		523,712
NET ASSETS		354,025		(43,520)
	\$	383,198	\$	480,192



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#### STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

#### AS AT NOVEMBER 30, 2016

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
REVENUE		
Grants (Note 7)	\$ 46,353	\$ 43,566
Memberships, Lesson Fees, and Ticket Sales	148,579	193,740
Donations (Note 8)	66,195	29,465
Fundraising	30,350	-
Other Income	5,370	9,135
Donations in - kind	8,295	15,083
Investment Income	 	 168
	305,142	291,157
EXPENSES		
Wages and Benefits	167,472	282,740
Professional Fees	29,464	28,914
Operating Expenses	68,185	51,799
Equestrian Expenses	26,871	49,562
Programming Expense	54,380	18,055
Administrative Expenses	16,751	27,247
Amortization Expense	1,224	13,382
•	364,347	471,699
EXCESS OF EXPENSES OVER REVENUE		
FROM OPERATIONS	(59,205)	(180,542)
GAIN ON SALE OF FIXED ASSETS	455,750	 -
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	396,545	(180,542)
NET ASSETS, Beginning of the Year	(42,520)	137,022
NET ASSETS, End of the Year	\$ 354,025	\$ (43,520)



#### T.E.A.D. EQUESTRIAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE DISABLED

#### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

#### AS AT NOVEMBER 30, 2016

		<u>2016</u>		<u>2015</u>
CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue over Expenses	\$	396,545	\$	(161,427)
Gain on Sale of Fixed Assets		(455,750)		-
Amortization Expense		1,224		13,382
Donation in-kind				957
		(57,981)		(147,088)
CHANGES IN NON-CASH OPERATING WORKING CAPITA	L			
Accounts Receivable		2,738		981
Sales Tax Recoverable		(4,231)		293
Prepaid Expenses		6,391		(2.758)
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities		(66,861)		51,905
Deferred Revenue		15,918		5,001
		(46,045)		55,422
		(104,026)		(91,666)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Sale of Fixed Assets		850,000		
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Private Operating Loan Repayments		(105,000)		50,000
Repayments of Mortgage Payable		(338,596)		(12,307)
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CHANGES IN CASH AND EQUIVALENTS		(110,000)		2.,022
DURING THE YEAR		302,378		(53,973)
CASH AND EQUIVALENTS, Beginning of the Year	_	65,275	_	119,248
CASH AND EQUIVALENTS, End of the Year	\$	367,653	\$	65,275



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