

General meeting October 22, 2013, called to order at 7:00 p.m.

ATTENDEES: Maridi Pletcher; Jessica Kimball; Ken Waite; Debbie Waite; Ann Ebner; Tina Bell; Kathy Thomas; Klair Thomas; Rose Berger; Cecelia Anderson; Theresa Peltier; Melissa Henthorne; Anne Monteith; Annie Suratt.

MINUTES: September minutes were read by Kathy Thomas. Motion made by Maridi Pletcher to approve minutes as read. Second by Rose Berger. Approved.

COMMUNICATIONS: 2014 show dates are: January 11 & 12 (schooling); April 25-27 (spring); August 1-3 (summer); and October 10-12 (Spooktacular). Theresa Peltier made a motion to adopt a rule to have a deadline for outside clubs to ask for the show to count for year-end hi-point awards. Discussion about deadline date; April 15 deadline for request(s) to be submitted and approved. Maridi Pletcher second. Passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Tabled, no report.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. ROYALTY: Tabled, no report.

B. BANQUET: Banquet will be at Albany Golf and Event Center on January 18, 2014, at noon for arrival, food at 1:00. Theresa Peltier had 3 options for food: A. \$25.00 prime rib, potatoes, veggies and chocolate fountain; B. \$21.00 chicken marsala, penne pasta; C. \$23.00 rolled pork loin, fetticini alfredo. Discussion decided prime rib. Maybe cookies or cake like last year. Children under 8, \$6.00 mac & cheese or chicken strips. Any dietary restrictions can be told when sending RSVP. Maridi will make announcement and RSVP form and post on Facebook. Theresa will make a space for silent auction and numbers. Awards will be displayed by bar. We will play bingo for a free stall. Have a raffle for people that pay membership at banquet and have a gift basket.

C. SHOW COMMITTEE: Spooktacular was a good show. Need to have a change in the office. Discussion about office making decisions acting as show manager. Discussion about adding classes at the gate. How to solve office mix-up.

Theresa Peltier made motion that we allow classes to be scratched three classes ahead of class entered without charge to exhibitor. Ann Ebner second. Passed. Ann Ebner motion to have add/scratch sheets at the gate, need to check by-laws.

Discussion about permanent back numbers. Incident at Spooktacular, office gave (was in perfect box) wrong number to exhibitor showing horse for another exhibitor, horse was disqualified.

Discussion about having someone entering points on separate laptop upstairs with Maridi on Excel spreadsheets. Tina has friend that would volunteer.

D. NOMINATION COMMITTEE: Ballots were counted. President Tina Bell; 1st vice president Maridi Pletcher; 2nd vice president Kathy Thomas; treasurer Glenny Moir. Board members: Rosemary Vehrenkamp, Ann Ebner and Theresa Peltier.

OLD BUSINESS: No old business.

NEW BUSINESS: Silver Dollar show (4-H club allowed us to keep name). Arena is secured. No classes on Friday, lower cost for facility. Basic classes: saddle/pleasure; stock/hunter; walk/trot; mini/pony. Buckskin club will handle insurance, entries, separate checking. Theresa Peltier will sign contract (with no charge bad weather cancellation clause) with Linn County and start class list. Silver dollars for first place. Can use 1/2 page of OPtHA page in NW Rider to advertise. Need written contract with all terms outlined. All need to work on getting sponsors.

Kathy Thomas was approached by Jim Campbell of PtHAWW to ask OPtHA members reasons why we don't attend their shows. Discussion: need to advertise more; no lodging close to facility; and facility itself.

SUGGESTIONS FOR GOOD OF THE ORDER: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned 8:22 p.m.

Submitted by,

Kathy Thomas