

Oregon Pinto Horse Association  
General Membership Meeting, 4/7/2015

The meeting was called to order by President Debbie Waite at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>. Announcement made by Jean Howard that the meeting would be audio taped for accuracy of the minutes.

President Waite asked that all attendees introduce themselves as we have had so many new people attending.

**Roll Call for Officers and Directors**

Present: Debbie Waite, Kathy Howe Drysdale, Anne Monteith, Jean Howard, Ann Ebner, Theresa Peltier, Rosemary Vehrenkamp, Cecelia Anderson, Jessica Kimball, Ken Waite, Tina Bell

Not Present: Mandy Lopes

**Members/Guests Present Per Sign In Sheet**

Present: Lisa McCarthy, Kerry McCarthy, Micheal McCarthy, Sony Miller, Pat Berger, Rose Berger, Delany Wurdinger, Tamara Parashos, Debbie Bohannon, Robin Binkerd, Alyson Foster, Sue Norman, Courtney Helgeson, Kelly O'Donnell

Guests: Michael Miller, Sue Helgeson

Per last meeting minutes, minutes of the March 3, 2015 meeting were not read as they were posted on the OPtHA website, Facebook and emailed to current members at least 1 week in advance of the next meeting. Motion by Delany Wurdinger, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ken Waite to approve minutes with corrections (typos/grammar) as posted. Motion passed.

**Communications**

Discussion was led by Theresa Peltier regarding the Pacific Coast Pinto show and its relationship with Oregon Pinto and other charters. Theresa's discussion with Wendy Davidson noted that the original purpose of the dual show was to earn points and earn national awards.

Each participating charter put in \$300 seed money. Some of the clubs thought they would be receiving a profit from the dual show. At no time was it ever stated that participating charters would receive any profits from the shows. Due to the quick growth of the show over the past 3 years, PCP now can stand on its own as its own entity. No Tax ID number has been established as of this date. In order to establish its own entity, PCP had to return the seed money to the original participating charters. NOTE: OPtHA has received the \$300 seed money from PCP. Now that it is its own entity, anyone can join PCP's online meetings. It is the choice of original charters if they want a representative seat on PCP board. It was noted by Theresa Peltier that OPtHA Board and officers of the club are liable for any actions by PCP if we are a participating charter. Lisa McCarthy asked if it would be opened up for membership. A Board position for PCP is for 2 years. Five people from each charter are allowed as representatives. The independent entity will maintain bookkeeping and maintain the show financials. PCP is in the process of applying for non-profit status with the State of Washington as well. PCP has been holding funds under Cascade Pinto. A question was asked how two non-profits can be run under one tax id. A question was asked as to how back to back shows by Cascade Pinto and PCP can be approved by PtHA. Kelly O'Donnell stated that we gave up a show date for the PCP show. Theresa Peltier was dismissed during the PCP online board meeting when it was discovered she was attending the online meeting as was Kathy Howe Drysdale who is a Oregon Pinto representative to PCP. There should be no reason that club's

should hold secrets and should be transparent to their members. Noted that Theresa Peltier received and online communication regarding the meeting. The documentation stated the online meeting was a general meeting. Mute point because the meeting is in the past. A question was asked whether Oregon Pinto points would be given to the PCP show now that Oregon Pinto is no longer a participating charter. It was noted that OPtHA needs a more established guideline for outside shows asking for approval. Shows must seek approval by April 1<sup>st</sup>. PCP did not get application in time. Points from PCP will not count in 2015. The PCP show sold 140 stalls, and Oregon sells 140 – 152 stalls per show. According to bylaws, to qualify for year end awards, a member must enter one OPtHA show. Per Wendy Davidson, PCP will not pay the \$50 per show/\$1 per horse fee to be an approved show. Discussion was held that OPtHA could possibly put on a 3<sup>rd</sup> show ourselves and count for points. Need to revisit approval form. Need a larger monetary commitment from outside shows requesting approval. OPtHA has reserved the Linn County Fairgrounds for the weekend prior to next year's (2016) PCP show. Discussion was held regarding the PCP show. Tina Bell suggested that we waive fee for this year and reevaluate the show approval form. A motion was made by Kelly O'Donnell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Theresa Peltier that any applications after April 1<sup>st</sup> will not be accepted. In favor of motion 18, opposed 2. Motion Passed.

Redoing the application and discussion on OPtHA producing a third show was tabled until a future date.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Mandy Lopes was not available to give the report. The air fares have been paid for the judges, and hi point awards have been purchased and paid for. Balance in the checking accounting is \$1014.66, and balance in Savings is \$4627.33. Credit Cards have been closed on the account and Ann Ebner and Debbie Waite have been added as signers. Combined Tax Services will be doing our monthly book keeping. A motion was made by Theresa Peltier, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Micheal McCarthy to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented by Kathy Howe Drysdale. Motion passed.

### **PtHA State Director Report**

Tina Bell reported on the happenings at the 2015 PtHA Convention in Oklahoma. Starting in 2016, exhibitors are not allowed name tag, plate, hi point on English halters/bridles. Solid miniatures will not be allowed to show in pinto classes. Clarification that the rule proposal to allow solid colored miniatures to show in pinto classes did not pass. Utility horses have to show in their own division. This year, exhibitors will continue to have to wear helmets in hunter/jumper in hand. Rule changes in 2016. Youth still must wear helmets. Fees are increasing for next year. For a Field rep to register a pinto it will go up to \$125, 2 year olds and under will be \$95, \$100 all others. A question was asked as to how someone becomes a State Director for PtHA. As long as you are a member of PtHA, you can run for state director. You need to fill out the online application and have it signed by 3 members. National pinto sends out to vote. You are required to go to nationals every 2 years. State Directors vote for national rule changes.

### **Show Committee**

59 stalls have already been rented for the show. Kathy Howe Drysdale asked Tina Bell to supply a list of back numbers that have been paid. The show committee made the difficult decision to replace Linda Enfield as show secretary with the Buckskin Club show office. Hi points for mini/pony youth and amateur have been sponsored. It takes \$3000 - \$4000 for pay

for hi points. Class sponsorships are needed. It was noted that the Bank account is low, and it needs to build it back up. Schooling show/clinics in fall and winter were some ideas for increasing monies. Theresa Peltier talked about office. No software/equipment/licensing to run the office on our own. Oregon Pinto paid for ½ of licensing of software so we can use the Buckskin Club equipment along with a \$150 usage fee. Oregon Pinto is taking steps to be more self sufficient. We now have access to the PtHA software. Hard work and being frugal are some of the things to make the club successful. A question was asked if breed measurement cards would be accepted. Only National measurement cards will only be accepted

### **Publicity/Communications**

News Channels/Drew Carney/Sponsors/Albany Democrat Herald have all been contacted for publicity. Sam Barlow OHSET booster club will man the awards table for us.

Aly Foster created a forum that will be by invitation only as a place for members to go for information. Delany Wurdinger thought a suggestion box at the horse show could be beneficial. Theresa Peltier felt we didn't need the forum because we are managing Facebook and a website for club information. A motion was made by Theresa Peltier, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lisa McCarthy that Facebook and OPtHA website be the only source of social network communication. Motion passed.

### **Youth Committee**

Kerry McCarthy received the youth membership email list and emailed everyone to let them know about the ice cream social. The ice cream social has also been posted to facebook page as well. Kerry will make an event on Facebook. The Youth Committee is looking into possible fundraisers. Discussion was held on selling tennis balls with numbers on them. Closet ball to the garbage can or in the can is the winner. Bottle deposit can for returns is another idea.

### **For the Good of the Order**

Discussion was held on the need to establish a show planning meeting and a bylaws, show contest rules and regulations meeting after October show. Board to present topics to general membership. An annual meeting is to be held in November. Bylaws meeting needs to be held first. It was noted that changes to show rules need to be completed before the 1<sup>st</sup> show of the year. Anne Monteith will set the bylaws meeting date after conclusion of show season. The Annual Membership Meeting is set for November 7<sup>th</sup> 2015 at the Albany Golf & Events Center. The Board meeting will be at 9 am and General session at 1 pm.

Motion by Tina Bell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Theresa Peltier that recorded meetings be kept for a year. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Delany Wurdinger, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sony Miller to adjourn. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:37 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jean Howard, Secretary OPtHA

From Terri Branham on FB posting of minutes: Thx, Jean. I would like to note that I had also submitted convention info to Debbie. Not important since Tina covered it, but I'd just like to know that I WAS doing my job! Only clarification, not all Directors are on the Show Committee. That Committee reviews most of the rule change suggestions (UNLESS they are sent

directly to Executive or another committee). Then, the Committee members vote. Their vote is then passed to General Membership, and there's also a vote there--whether to accept the Show Committee recommendation or not. After several years attending, I don't think the Show Committee vote has been changed.

From Kathy Howe Drysdale on FB posting of minutes: Also, if state directors are not nominated by a charter, they need 5 signatures of PTHA members.