

OPtHA General Membership Meeting
August 4, 2015

Meeting called to order by President Debbie Waite at 7:10 pm.

Roll Call and Sign In

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

Not Present: Anne Monteith, Theresa Peltier, Mandy Lopes

Members Present: Lisa McCarthy, Sony Miller, Deb Torpey, Kerry McCarthy, Micheal McCarthy

Motion by Rosemary Vehrenkamp, 2nd by Jessica Kimball that minutes be approved as posted. Motion passed.

Communications

The club received a thank you from the Vehrenkamp family for the \$200 donation to their grandson, Lane, in memory of their son, Tyler. The monies will be put into a college fund for Lane.

Treasurer's Report

Total balance in checking and savings is \$17,513.74. \$600 paid for the storage unit rental. Returned check of \$300 from the Spring horse show was returned a 2nd time. ACTION ITEM: Kathy Howe Drysdale will contact the person for final resolution. Motion by Kathy Howe Drysdale, 2nd by Sony Miller to accept treasurer's report as presented. Motion passed.

Show Committee

The class schedule for the October show is complete with a few minor numbering errors. The show mimics the class schedule from the Cascade show which was run very well the previous weekend. Still need donations for the ribbon less raffle. It was suggest that we hand out winners at the end of each show day. Tina Bell will do a silent auction for State Director at the show, and Ann Ebner will do a silent auction at the banquet for the youth scholarship so one does not take away from the other. A discussion was held on vendor fees. Since we are not handing out tickets this show to use at the vendor booths, possibility only charge for electricity at \$25 per vendor instead. Rosie Vehrenkamp will get pee wee and leadline awards. Cecila Anderson will do obstacle/trail patterns for pony/miniatures. Kenny Strohecker has been asked to do the horse trail patterns. Judges will be asked to develop showmanship and horsemanship patterns. Kathy Howe Drysdale thanked Lisa McCarthy for developing all the online forms. We will have the same announcer and same gate person.

Membership

The membership information has been sent to Lisa McCarthy. No membership cards for 2015 will be sent for this year. Lisa McCarthy has developed an online form for membership. Lisa McCarthy presented a proposal to offer a working and non-working membership. For adult members, a membership fee of \$20 plus a required 2 hour volunteer time (work at the horse show, committee member, club director, club officer all count as volunteer time) during show season. You may opt out of

the volunteer time and pay \$40 membership instead. For youth, the working membership would be \$10 and 1 hour volunteer time and non- working would be \$20 per year. There would be a \$5 discount for submitting application by 12/31 for the following year. Motion by Jean Howard, 2nd by Ken Waite to accept Lisa McCarthy's proposal. Motion passed and will be effective for 2016.

Audit

No report

Youth Advisor

No report

Points Keeper

All points current as of Brasada Paint Horse show. They will be up on the website 8/5/2015. Kathy Howe Drysdale asked that the points be split by individual show with a total. Ann Ebner will communicate this to Judy Howard.

Property

The storage unit has been paid for the year. Some of the decorations are in need of repair. Possibly a good project for the youth. ACTION ITEM: Kathy Howe Drysdale will check into the cost of a flag with the current OPtHA logo. ACTION ITEM: Kathy Howe Drysdale will look into pricing for new Oregon flag.

Publicity

A flyer is being developed by Debbie Waite. Ken Waite is continuing to work on sponsorships. All members need to help get sponsorships for the show. We need to advertise the upcoming show. Rosemary Vehrenkamp suggested that we send out a mass email to current and former pinto members. ACTION ITEM: Jean Howard will take care of sending an email. Promotion of the dinners that are free to exhibitors.

Banquet/Year End Awards

We need to ask people to return the perpetual trophies at the October show or November meeting. Some are in need of repair.

Old business

First reading of proposed By Law changes were done. ACTION ITEM: Proposed changes need to be posted.

New Business

We will not be able to rotate the general meeting from Ebner's to Denny's in Woodburn as the 1st Tuesday is not available at Denny's. There was discussion on the location for November meeting that would accommodate a larger group. Suggestions were Arrowhead Golf Club or Linn County Fairgrounds. Ann will check into the golf club for the 1st Saturday of November, the 7th. Social hour from 11 – 12:30, and eat at noon. Meeting to start at 1:30. Tina Bell noted that November 7 was already set as a show

planning meeting at Albany Golf Club. ACTION ITEM: Ann Ebner will contact Theresa Peltier to confirm that we have the Albany Golf Club reserved on November 7th.

Suggestion for the Good of the Order

Rosemary Vehrenkamp suggested that a President's binder be built. The notebook would include such things as what time things need to be done and what date. The intent is that the notebook can be passed on to the next President. The note would also include work instructions for committees.

Motion by Ann Ebner, 2nd by Jessica Kimball to give McCarthy's a free stall at the next show for all the work done done by Lisa McCarthy with regard to the online forms. Motion passed.

Motion by Jean Howard, 2nd by Sony Miller to adjourn. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Howard
OPtHA Secretary