## Oregon Pinto Horse Association General Membership Meeting, 1/6/2015

Meeting was called to order by Rosemary Vehrenkamp. Point of Order was called by Kathy Howe Drysdale to remind members present that, due to the resignations of the 2015 President and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Debbie Waite, ascends to the office of President for 2015.

President Debbie Waite called the meeting to order at 6:45 pm on 1/6/2015. A membership sign in sheet was passed around for members and guests.

<u>Members Present:</u> Jean Howard, Kathy Howe Drysdale, Debbie Waite, Sony Miller, Mandy Lopes, Cecelia Anderson, Jessica Kimball, Anne Monteith, Ken Waite, Ann Ebner, Tina Bell, Noel Nelson, Kerry McCarthy, Micheal McCarthy, Charlene Gust, Kathy Gust, Robin Binkerd, Tamara Parashes, Debbie Bohannon, Alyson Foster, Lindsay Bates, Bob Bates, Maridi Pletcher, Rosemary Vehrenkamp, Courtney Helgeson, Kelly O'Donnell, Pat Berger, Rose Berger, Linda Enfield, Kathy Maricelli, Theresa Peltier **Guests Present:** Sue Helgeson

President Waite asked Jean Howard to accept the position of Secretary for the 2015 year.

Minutes of the December 2014 meeting were read. Point of order by Kathy Howe Drysdale stating, since the December meeting was an Executive Meeting, and only 4 BOD were present, there was not a quorum. Therefore, any actions voted on at the meeting are null and void.

President Waite asked Pat Berger to act as Sargent of Arms for this meeting.

A motion was made by Kelly O'Donnell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Theresa Peltier to accept the minutes for December 2014 meeting, and any actions taken nullified due to lack of quorum. Motion Passed.

Discussion was held on the filling of the vacant position on the BOD at the December meeting. It was noted that Noel Nelson was not eligible to fill the seat as she had not attended 3 meetings in the prior year. The seating of the open board position to which Noel Nelson was appointed was tabled until further review by President Waite.

Anne Monteith asked that she be considered for an open board position.

A motion was made by Theresa Peltier, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ken Waite to accept Tina Bell's rescinded resignation for Past President. Motion Passed.

A motion was made by Ann Ebner, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pat Berger to accept Kathy Thomas resignation as President. Motion Passed. One abstain.

A motion was made by Ann Ebner, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rose Berger not to accept Ken Waite's resignation for the BOD. 6 For, 6 Opposed. Tie vote broken by President Waite. Ken Waite will remain on the Board for his elected term.

Anne Monteith volunteered to be on the by-laws committee.

Discussion was held on the request by Tina Bell for \$1000 to help with expenses for the PtHA meeting in March, 2015 as Sector Director. A check had already been cut by the Treasurer and cashed based on the vote at the December 2014 meeting. A motion was made by Kathy Howe Drysdale, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Theresa Peltier to give

Tina Bell \$1000 to help with the expense of attending the 2015 PtHA meeting in March. Tina Bell noted that the silent auctions held at the banquet and horse shows are intended to reimburse club for this expense.

A motion was made by Kathy Howe Drysdale, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ken Waite to approve December 2014 minutes as reviewed and corrected. Pat Berger called for the question. Motion Passed.

A request was made that minutes from the prior meeting be made available to members at least a week in advance of the next club meeting for review. Minutes are to be labeled "Pending Approval" and posted on the website.

A motion was made by Pat Berger, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rosemary Vehrenkamp that the club look into the use of membership numbers for a sign in page or private message board/forum on our webpage for our members to view such things as pending minutes, membership lists, email reminders for meetings, etc. Motion was tabled until next meeting after information has been gathered. Ann Ebner will contact our webmaster.

## Communication

Theresa Peltier advised that the date of February 28<sup>th</sup> is being held at Albany Golf and Events Center for our Year End Awards Banquet.

A motion was made by Kathy Howe Drysdale, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Noel Nelson to accept February 28<sup>th</sup> as the date and the Oregon Golf Club and Events Center as our venue for the banquet. Motion Passed.

Tina Bell will develop the reservation form. Debbie Waite and Theresa Peltier will meet to decide on the food service/lines, etc. Food will be served at noon with awards to follow. Theresa did not bring menu ideas with her, but felt the cost would be \$15 - \$18 for brunch, and a kid's menu would be available at a lower cost. A suggestion was made to have the banquet before the end of January in the future due to OHSET events starting. This makes it impossible for youth to attend our banquet who participate in OHSET.

A letter was read by Tina Bell from Terri Branham requesting help with the expenses for her to attend the PtHA convention as our other Sector Director. Discussion was held and it was noted that Terri Branham was not a 2014 OPtHA member. Tina Bell advised the rule change proposals for the 2015 annual meeting are currently on the PtHA website. Tina Bell will bring them to February meeting for discussion. Linda Enfield suggested that a Sector Director report be added to agenda every month.

A motion was made by Pat Berger, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Linda Enfield to include a Sector Director report on the agenda. In order to receive future funds, a monthly report will need to be supplied by our Sector Directors. Motion Passed.

A motion was made by Kathy Howe Drysdale, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Maridi Pletcher to give Terri Branham \$500 to help with expenses for the PtHA meeting. Motion Passed. It is noted that both Terri Branham and Tina Bell must provide receipts for all expenses paid for with monies given.

## **Treasurer**

As of 1/6/2015, checking balance is \$12,678.99, savings balance is \$4,626.89 for a total balance of \$17,305.88.

Linda Enfield asked why she had not been paid yet for the show office work done for the October show. Tina Bell stated she wanted to put it before the membership since Linda had been sick, and it was in question whether the full fee would be paid. Linda noted that the club was only billed for 2 ½ days.

A motion was made by Rosemary Vehrenkamp, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ann Ebner to pay Linda Enfield's invoice for show office work done at the October show. Motion Passed.

Discussion was held regarding payment of work done at shows by members. It was felt all members should be compensated equally. An official form is needed for compensation of show workers so it is fair and equitable.

Discussion was held regarding expenses being categorized correctly on the detail report. Mandy Lopes stated she would make the necessary corrections to reflect the expenses accurately.

A motion was made by Ken Waite, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sony Miller to approve the Treasurer's Report as corrected. Motion Passed.

## **New Business**

Kelly O'Donnell asked if the royalty program and funding should be on the agenda. It was noted that Klair Thomas would be our Princess this year.

Jean Howard asked if it would be possible for the club to approve member's to use Skype and have full voting rights when attending a meeting via Skype. Theresa Peltier felt it should be the responsibility of the member to arrange with another person to be able to attend this way. Pat Berger felt it was covered in Roberts Rules of Order for members with disabilities who were unable to attend because of their disability, but agreed it should be the responsibility of the member.

A motion was made by Pat Berger, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Theresa Peltier that members with disabilities can skype into club meetings and have full voting rights, but it is the responsibility of the person to set up the meeting via Skype.

Tina Bell asked that the club send Kathy Thomas flowers due to the loss of her mother.

A motion was made by Kathy Howe Drysdale, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Theresa to have Tina Bell send flowers to Kathy Thomas. Expense is not to exceed \$100. Motion Passed.

A special election to fill the vacant positions of  $1^{st}$  Vice President and  $2^{nd}$  Vice President will be held at the February meeting.

Nominations were taken from the floor for 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Ann Ebner, Kathy Howe Drysdale, Anne Monteith, Rosemary Vehrenkamp, Cecelia Anderson, Maridi Pletcher, Maureen Wiese, Theresa Peltier

A motion was made by Pat Berger, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rose Berger that nominations for 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President be closed. Motion Passed.

Nominations were taken from the floor for 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Anne Monteith, Maridi Pletcher, Ann Ebner, Theresa Peltier, Kathy Howe Drysdale, Rosemary Vehrenkamp.

A motion was made by Pat Berger, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rose Berger that nominations for 2nd Vice President be closed. Motion Passed.

Tina Bell asked why proxy votes would not be allowed for this election. She felt it was unfair to our members south that couldn't attend. Anne Monteith stated that the difference is that this is not a general election. This election is to replace vacant offices for expediency.

Theresa Peltier asked that Tina Bell help Debbie Waite with running of meetings given her expertise as past President.

An inquiry was made by Kathy Howe Drysdale regarding the Oregon State Non-Profit status of our club. Also, a question was asked regarding the issue with the IRS. Mandy Lopes will bring information regarding both items to our next meeting.

Linda Enfield thanked Theresa Peltier, Jean Howard and Kathy Howe Drysdale for helping at the show when she had to go to the hospital.

A motion was made by Pat Berger, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sony Miller that meeting be adjourned. Motion Passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 pm. Respectfully Submitted, Jean Howard, Secretary

After meeting was adjourned, members were reminded that we still need criteria from special award sponsors.