

OPtHA General Membership Meeting  
July 7, 2015

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015 by President Debbie Waite.

Roll Call/Sign In Sheet

Officers Present: Debbie Waite, Kathy Howe Drysdale, Jean Howard, Mandy Lopes, Ann Ebner, Jessica Kimball, Tina Bell

Officers Not Present: Anne Monteith, Theresa Peltier EX, Rosemary Vehrenkamp EX, Cecelia Anderson EX, Ken Waite EX

Members Present: Lisa McCarthy, Micheal McCarthy, Kerry McCarthy, Rose Berger, Pat Berger, Deb Torpey, Alyson Foster, Debbie Bohannon, Robin Binkerd

#### Minutes

Lisa McCarthy thanked Jean Howard for having action items in the minutes so that we can better follow through with discussion items. It was noted that those action items should also be addressed on the next meeting's agenda. Motion by Kathy Howe Drysdale, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pat Berger that the minutes be approved as printed. Motion passed.

#### Communications

Kathy Howe Drysdale would like to congratulate all the NW people that were so successful at the Pinto World Show in June. Kathy would like to see a display at our October show of the World show winners with their photo.

#### Treasurer

Balance in the club's accounts is \$17,451.70. Expenses for the month include \$200 to Lane Vehrenkamp and flowers to Ed Pletcher for his recent hospital stay. Bank fees are high this month due to volume of checks deposited from the show. Mandy Lopes recommended that the club credit card be used where possible so that we can earn air miles. Tina Bell stated that the storage unit rental is due in July. Club is in a very good cash position at this time. Sponsorships, for the October show, of \$500 have already been received. Motion by Ann Ebner, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jessica Kimball that the Treasurer's report be approved as presented. Motion passed.

#### Show Committee

Kathy Howe Drysdale, Jessica Kimball and Debbie Waite will act as show managers for October. The October show class sheet has been finalized. Classes will be rearranged to help flow of show. There will be no OTAB classes offered at the October show. There will be a costume class on Saturday evening. Entry fee for the costume class will be canned food for donation. We will have a stall decorating contest. Exhibitor dinners will be pizza, chili and the very popular potato bar. No individual class awards will be given; however, there will be a ribbon less raffle. Exhibitors will be given a ticket per class entered to put in a canister of their choice for the chance to win that raffle item. Judges are set. Vicky/Richard Mooney, Walter DeLabrousse and Jan Larson. Youth will be doing a flag presentation. . Leilani Lopes will sing national anthem during the flag presentation. Youth were donated a free stall by the Linn County

Fairgrounds. Youth will also have a recycle bin. Show secretaries will be the same. Hi Point awards will be gift certificates to Schneider's in the amount of \$80 hi point/\$60 reserve hi point. Schneider is giving the club a 10% discount in the form of merchandise for the ribbon less raffle. The host hotel for the show is the Best Western Prairie Inn. Practice trail will be available in the warm up ring the night before trail. OPtHA has received donations from Burns Feed, \$250 from a long time Waite client, and 7 feathers Casino. It was suggested that a raffle for the 7 Feathers Casino sponsorship be held with proceeds go to Lane Vehrenkamp. A question was asked as to the possible state/legal issues for club? ACTION ITEM: Lisa McCarthy research and will contact the corporation division and request information for non-profits.

#### Audit

Pat Berger has completed the audit of the club's books for 2014. Pat suggested, for tracking purposes, that for any petty cash that it be noted on withdrawal slip as well as deposit. The copies of checks written since October 14 2014 are now available. The club needs to be better at itemizing as it will help to save questions from IRS.

#### State Director

No report.

#### Membership

ACTION ITEM: Jean Howard will be sending membership cards, and membership files will be forwarded on to Lisa McCarthy.

#### By-Laws

The file on website is not up to date. A committee needs to be formed to review and update. Perpetual trophies all have criteria posted now. As perpetual trophies are collected in preparation for the next winner, they are damaged and have missing pieces. It is the responsibility of the current recipient to maintain and clean the award. It is good stewardship that the winners of the perpetual trophies are take care with these items. It was suggested that a photograph of trophy before it goes out be taken and the recipient sign a document that they have the trophy. Robin Binkerd felt it was part of the club responsibility for maintenance of these trophies.

#### Old Business

Lisa McCarthy will meet with Ann Ebner to discuss changes to the website. ACTION ITEM: Lisa will send out the suggestions to the board for review. Wi-Fi at Ebner meats has not been set up as of this meeting. Ann Ebner will work with her son to see if this can be accomplished by next meeting which is very much appreciated by the club so that remote members may attend. As of the August meeting, meetings will alternate from Ebners to Denny's Restaurant in Woodburn. It was noted that Paint and Buckskin have moved to Sizzler in Salem. Another recommendation was the Molalla Golf course. Additional ACTION ITEMS: Development of a committee for PtHA State Director and nomination of club members for the PtHA State Director position. Development of fillable forms (membership application, show entry form, stall form). A recommendation was made that the forms be generic. A scholarship form or the royalty

application is not designed for fill in form. Further discussion on family memberships. full membership/limited membership still need to happen. ACTION ITEM: Lisa McCarthy will put a proposal together and bring to next meeting. Discussion was held regarding volunteer hours being a part of requirement for earning year end awards, however, a member can pay to opt out. Micheal McCarthy asked if the issue with the IRS has been resolved. Mandy Lopes said the IRS has been in contact and she was told they were too busy to look into at this time. Discussion was held regarding OPtHA August show dates were given up for PCP. It was felt that the show approval process needs to be reviewed as well as fees for gaining OPtHA approval. Robin Binkerd felt that by not having more shows available it keeps club members separated and divided. Tina Bell stated that PCP giving Scholarships with the profits from the Zone show. ACTION ITEM: Ann Ebner will look at possible dates for an additional show. Maybe it is time to place more emphasis on futurities/maturities/stake classes.

A motion was made by Kathy Howe Drysdale, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Deb Torpey that the meeting be adjourned. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jean Howard  
Secretary, OPtHA