

## OPtHA General Membership Meeting

June 2, 2015

Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm by President Debbie Waite.

### Roll Call/Sign In Sheet

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

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

### Minutes

Clarification on the May 5, 2015 pending minutes that club will not be giving a \$100 donation to PCP.

Lisa McCarthy asked that action items be included in minutes. Discussion is noted but there is no follow through. It was requested that any discussion be carried over to next meeting and placed on agenda. Lisa McCarthy doesn't want us to lose focus on the good discussions.

Request was granted that youth get stall at October. The stall was donated by Linn Co. fairgrounds for our youth.

Motion by Micheal McCarthy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Deb Torpey that the minutes of the May 5, 2015 meeting be approved as posted. Motion Passed

Due to Jean Howard's hot spot being out of data, Judy Howard and Carolyn Horning were unable to join the meeting via Skype this month. Ebner Meats is in the process of hooking up Wi-Fi. Their hope is that it will be available for our July meeting.

### Communications

Carolyn Horning thanked OPtHA for approving the Brasada Show for pinto points. Show is coming together.

### Treasurer

The final bill of \$12,754.50 was paid for Spring Show and \$855 for insurance. That leaves an approximate \$16,000 balance in our Treasury. All NSF checks have been covered for the Spring show and included a \$50 NSF fee. There is still one outstanding NSF check from last (2014) October show.

Information for 2014 audit was given to Pat Berger.

Motion by Jessica Kimball, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pat Berger to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Motion passed.

## Hospitality

Jessica Kimball stated that the coffee pots cleaned and ready to go for next show.

## Show Committee

Discussion was held regarding ideas for hi points for the show. Some of the classes will be rearranged and OTAB classes will be eliminated. It was suggested that we put our logo out there for advertisement. Kenny Strohecker will continue to supply poles for trail rather than renting them from Oregon Paint. Kathy Howe Drysdale asked that any ideas or questions be email to her. There will be no tickets at this show, just hi points given. Theresa Peltier suggested we offer random raffles since we will not be doing the payout of tickets. OPtHA will solicit donations for the raffles, exhibitors will be given a ticket for each class entered and can drop a ticket in a bucket for each item they would like to win. Buckskin has been doing a raffle for years and it works well. Ann Ebner will administrate the set up of the raffle items.

## PtHA

September 1 is the nominating deadline for nominating/stating intent to run for our PtHA State Director. Charters can nominate. It was noted that none of the Washington charters help their directors financially to go to convention. If OPtHA decides to support our Oregon Directors financially, receipts must be submitted. Lisa McCarthy would like the club to develop a policy as to what the club's expectations are for state director to receive financial support. Theresa Peltier felt it should be based on receipts and a sum decided by the club will be reimbursed. ACTION ITEM: OPtHA to develop a committee to write a policy on club expectation and reimbursement for PtHA State Director. Kathy Howe Drysdale, Rosemary Vehrenkamp and Theresa Peltier will look at developing a policy and setting a realistic cap on reimbursement. It was felt that the cap should be adjusted each year. It was noted that our State Directors are the people who vote and give us our vote at PtHA so it is in our best interest to support our State Directors. Mandy Lopes noted that the club receives Frequent Flyer miles on club credit card and could maybe used for travel. Oregon has two State Directors and an alternate. Financial support needs to be someone who attends OPtHA meeting. Possibly develop a written contract as well. OPtHA can petition for State Directors. Ann Ebner would like to nominate Ann Monteith and Theresa Peltier. ACTION ITEM: President Debbie Waite will write a letter to PtHA nominating these two people to run for Oregon State Director. It was noted that the PtHA youth gather and have a youth organization with election of officers as well at the PtHA convention. Participating on a National level is beneficial for College resumes, scholarships, etc.

## Publicity and Communications

Sponsors are already coming in for our next show. Linn Co. has donated two stalls for the youth. Every club member needs to help with sponsorships.

## Royalty

Discussion was held and it was felt that OPtHA use the term ambassador instead of royalty. ACTION ITEM: Micheal McCarthy will contact our 2015 royalty and will help give direction. It is very important for the club to be positive and fresh. Positions be outlined and protocol develop.

#### Year End Award Banquet

The 2015 banquet date had been previously set for January 16<sup>th</sup> 2016. Albany Golf and Event Center asked that we change our date. The event center does not charge OPtHA for the room rental, and they had a request for the January 16<sup>th</sup> date for a paying event. The banquet date has been changed to Feb 6, 2016 to accommodate the Event Center request.

#### Year End Points

Judy Howard has completed year end point standings, and they are posted on the website. Judy stated that people need to fill out show entry forms with all required information. Also, the legibility of some entry forms was nearly impossible. If people want timeliness and accuracy, they need to do their part. ACTION ITEM: Lisa McCarthy will develop an adobe acrobat online fillable forms for membership, show entry, stall forms. The show secretary needs to be directed that ALL information requested on the show entry form be entered.

#### Youth

Kerry McCarthy thanked the club for the youth stalls and looks forward to the next show. Kerry asked if the youth could do a Flag presentation at the next show. Also, there will be Trick or Treat at the stalls. Youth will have a can collection bin as a fundraiser at the show.

ACTION ITEM: the Web page needs to be updated with the date change for the banquet.

It was suggested that a canned food donation be the entry fee for the costume class.

Theresa Peltier felt that it was unnecessary that the club hire a Show Manager. It was felt that the officers of the club should be able to fill that need. It will be discussed at the next show committee meeting.

Motion by Pat Berger, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ken Waite to adjourn. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:59 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jean Howard  
OPtHA Secretary