

OPtHA General Membership Meeting  
September 1, 2015

Meeting called to order by President Debbie Waite at 7:00 pm.

**Roll Call and Sign In**

Officers Present: Debbie Waite, Kathy Howe Drysdale, Ann Ebner, Ken Waite, Tina Bell, Theresa Peltier  
Not Present: , Jean Howard ex, Anne Monteith ex, , Mandy Lopes ex, Rosemary Vehrenkamp, Cecelia Anderson, Jessica Kimball ex

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

Guest: Michael Miller

Motion by Ann Ebner, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ken Waite that the minutes be approved as posted from the August 2015 meeting. Motion passed.

**Communications**

The club received information that Nannette Brooks' father had passed away, and that Tina Bell's mother had passed away.

**Treasurer's Report**

Debbie Waite presented the Treasurer's report in Mandy Lopes absence. Motion by Kathy Howe Drysdale, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sony Miller to accept treasurer's report as presented. Motion passed.

**Show Committee**

There is an issue with the trail course set up. Kenny Strohecker has declined doing the trail course patterns and set up. Kenny brings his own equipment for trail so the show committee will have to resolve quickly. Theresa Peltier said that some people feel that his patterns are in favor of his clients. Tina Bell suggested that patterns be posted online for all to see. Showmanship/equitation patterns should be done by judges. Theresa Peltier feels it is a courtesy that patterns are posted online. It is not expected. However, people feel it is expected. Motion by Pat Berger, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sony Miller that 20 tickets/per entry be given for the ribbon-less raffle. Tickets to be given when numbers are picked up in the show office. Motion passed. Micheal McCarthy asked when the time has been slotted for the flag presentation.

**Membership**

No report

**Nominating**

President Debbie Waite has appointed Pat Berger as chairman with Ann Ebner and Sony Miller as members. The nominating committee will develop a slate of eligible members. ACTION ITEM: Current membership list and attendance at the 2015 general membership meetings to be supplied by Jean Howard. The following positions will receive nominations at the October general membership meeting: President, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Board Positions that are

expiring. Ballots to be counted openly and publicly at the annual membership meeting on November 7<sup>th</sup> at the Albany Golf Club & Events Center. Motion passed.

**Audit**

No report

**Youth Advisor**

No report

**Points Keeper**

No Report.

**Property**

There has been no time to inventory the storage unit as of this date.

**Publicity**

No report.

**By Laws**

**Banquet/Year End Awards**

**Old business**

Second reading of proposed By Law changes were completed. ACTION ITEM: Proposed changes need to be posted. Motion by Pat Berger, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sony Miller that by-law changes be accepted as presented. Motion passed.

**New Business**

**Suggestion for the Good of the Order**

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sony Miller  
OPtHA Secretary, Pro Tem