

Oregon Pinto Horse Association
General Membership Minutes, June 7, 2016

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by President Kathy Howe Drysdale.

Officers Present: Kathy Howe Drysdale, Ann Ebner, Anne Monteith, Jessica Kimball, Cecelia Anderson, Rosemary Vehrenkamp, Jean Howard

Members Present: Kathy Howard, Deb Torpey, Tina Bell

Guest: Lorrie Taylor

As there were not enough members present, this will not be considered an official meeting.

Treasurers Report

There was a question regarding an Amazon and Precision Laser charge on the report. Kathy Howe Drysdale will ask Mandy Lopes to research those charges. Kathy Howard asked if the credit card is paid off monthly. If not, does the interest paid on unpaid balance vs. mileage rewards available make sense?

There was discussion surrounding the club vote that we no longer accept applications for outside show approvals for OPtHA Year End Awards. There are a number of people who have very strong opinions on this, but think there is a need to review this decision as it was felt by a number of members present that it has greatly impacted our club as a whole.

Yes, some may choose to go to an outside show rather than an OPtHA show. However, you must still attend two OPtHA produced shows to be eligible for year-end awards. By not approving outside shows, we have, in fact, negatively impacted our club. People are not coming to our shows, therefore, not joining our club. So we are losing show and membership income.

The members present strongly feel this is a time when we need to poll the entire membership on this topic. We need to work together with other NW Pinto organizations to make us all successful. After all, isn't that we are all here for? To promote our Pinto equines?

Jean Howard was directed by the member's present at the June 7th discussion, to send an email survey to all paid 2016 members. The purpose of the survey is to get their yes or no vote that we reverse the decision not to approve outside shows for club year-end award points.

Oregon Horseman's Association has created an exploratory committee to see if breed shows would have an interest in partnering with OHA. . Much discussion was held on the OHA of the past where they had breed sponsored awards. One negative was the OHA required an OHA steward. That was a very expensive requirement for breed show for OHA approval. Especially since PtHA does not require stewards. There used to be breed representatives on the OHA Board. That changed when OHA went to Area Representatives instead. It was agreed that this might be beneficial to OPtHA since we have offered OTAB classes for several years. This might increase our participation in those classes and it would make sense to offer them once again at our shows.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jean Howard, Secretary
OPtHA