

**Oregon Pinto Horse Association
General Membership Meeting**

Minutes for February 11th, 2025

Meeting at Garibaldi's Restaurant at 6:30 pm

Meeting called to order at: 6:32

Attendees:

President: DeeAnn Smith: ✓
1st Vice President: Lydia Peters: ✓
2nd Vice President: Christine Guenther: ✓
Secretary: Kelly Merina: ✓
Treasurer: Vickie Gruver: ✓
1-year Directors: Elsie Brown: ✓
Sarah Irwin: ✓
Anne Monteith: X Absent- Excuse
2-year Directors: Tina Bell: ✓
Noel Nelson: ✓
Maureen Weise: ✓
Past President: Mike Merina ✓
Members and Guests: Wendy Davidson & Jessica Davidson

Reading of the January Minutes: Kelly Merina read the January 2025 minutes.

Vicki Gruver motioned to accept the minutes with corrections, and Lydia Peters 2nd the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Communications:

Facebook: Sarah Irwin says Facebook is doing well with 4,000 views of show details and posts. She will add the sponsorship information and raffle for membership.

Website: Kelly Merina will continue to work on the website, making updates and talking to Kim about updating the look of the entire site.

Wendy Davidson reminded the board that Jessica Davidson created a website for OPtHa in 2020 and would be willing to work with us again to create a website that we could edit ourselves.

Tina motioned to approve funds to update the website, Noel Nelson seconded the motion, and all were in favor. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Vicki

Checking: \$14,982.55

Savings: \$16,688.50

Total: \$31,671.05

Lydia Peters motioned to accept the Treasurer's report, Elsie Brown seconded, all in favor motion carried.

Membership: Kelly Merina reported that the Total membership to date is 15 members. She is emailing members as their memberships come in with a great response.

There is a raffle for new members to win a hat, sweatshirt, or \$50 off a stall at the October show. New memberships need to be in by March 31st.

Wendy Davidson suggested a Trifecta raffle for members of the three Pinto clubs: Cascade, Washington, and Oregon. Each club would donate a \$25 gift card to the winners. Maureen motioned to approve the Trifecta raffle, Noel seconded, and all were in favor. The motion carried.

New Business:

2025 Fall Show Committee Update- The new show date is October 3rd-5th. The Show committee met last week and is currently working on the premium, awards, and judges. Need to find a show photographer. Lydia is working with Melissa at Linn County Fairgrounds, with the 1st payment due 60 days out from the start of the show. Talking about barns putting together baskets for the silent auction. Looking for sponsors and buckle donations. Vicki and Lydia will work together to get insurance for the show.

Next Show Committee Meeting: March 4th Silver Falls Brewery 6:30

2025 Year-End Awards: Tina communicated with Western Washington, and they are going to partner to with Oregon Pinto for EOY awards.

Fall Show 2026: New show date October 1st-4th, 2026

Spring Show/ Schooling Show 2026: Discussed the possibility of organizing a schooling show in the spring of 2026, considering the location and the number of people willing to run it. There are concerns about the workload and the potential for burnout. The idea of a two-day show was proposed to increase profitability. The team also discussed the potential of needing OHSET dates, because OHSET is a big conflict. The possibility of using fairgrounds as a location was considered, but Mike expressed doubts about the availability of electrical hookups. The decision was tabled until the next month to further discuss the location and the number of people willing to run the show.

Lydia Peters' edits need to be made to the PtHA website for contact info for OPtHA- DeeAnn will work on getting the information updated.

Old Business:

Bylaws: Read through Articles 7 & 8 and made changes. Will read through Article 9 next meeting.

Taxes: Tabled until next meeting

Suggestions for the good of the order:

Next Meeting: March 11th, 6:00 Food, and Fellowship; 6:30 Meeting begins at Garibaldi's Mexican Restaraunt, Salem, OR

Meeting Adjourned at: 8:05

Submitted By

Kelly Merina

Secretary