

According to the 1970 constitution articles I and II may not be changed. They were, however, changed in 2003 and possibly previous to that revision. To correct this constitutional error the originals have been incorporated into the 2010 DRAFT revision, substituting for the Articles of the same numbers except for Article IX which has no corresponding number. As it seems to pertain 40 years after the fact, Article III will be added as a subsection of Article II and is shown in red.

Constitution of the Oregon Pinto Breeders and Exhibitors Association
Db a Oregon Pinto Horse Association (OPtHA)

Article I – Name

This organization shall be named the Oregon Pinto Breeders and Exhibitors Association. This organization is subject to the directives and rules established by the Executive Committee and the Board of Directors of the Pinto Horse Association of America, Inc.

Article II – Purpose

The purpose of this non-profit organization shall be:

To promote and encourage the breeding of Pinto Horses.

To promote the general interest of Pinto Horses.

To further the purpose of the Pinto Horse Association of America, Inc. on a local level in a manner prescribed by the National Association, thereby assisting the National Association to continue its promotional work on a National and International basis.

To promote the use of the Registry Book of the Pinto Horse Association of America, Inc. as the Official Registry of the Pinto Horses of America.

To hold such horse shows, trail rides and other events as shall be deemed advisable and necessary to the promotion of the Pinto Horse.

To promote good sportsmanship and good fellowship among the lovers of Horses and to improve the general condition and welfare of all horses.

The local association shall carry out all social endeavors so important and necessary to the promotion of the Pinto Horse, and shall oppose any activity that is, would be, or tends to be, derogatory or inauspicious to the Pinto Horse or to the Pinto Horse Association of America, Inc.

Article IIa

This organization shall have no interest in personal grievances of one member towards another, and no discussion of this nature will be allowed at any meeting of the organization: likewise, no discussion of a political nature will be allowed.

Article IX – Exceptions

Article I and Article II of this constitution may not be amended or Altered in Any form or manner by this affiliated Association

Amendments to the bylaws of October 9, 2003 (changes are in red):

Amendment to Article III Officers sec 302: The executive Committee shall consist of a President, 1st Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary (who shall be appointed by the President) **Change to remove (who shall be appointed by the president)**

Sec 303 Mail in ballots shall be allowed and can be obtained by any senior member from the secretary. **Add this sentence: Ballots may also be obtained on the website or at any OPtHA polling place so designated by the Board of Directors.**

Sec 303 Mail in ballots must be in separate sealed envelopes and submitted to the secretary **Add: Membership number must be written on the ballot.**

Sec 304 Currently reads “An officer elected and installed into office shall continue to hold office for a period of one year or until his successor has been duly elected or appointed and installed. The same individual shall not hold the office of President for more than two consecutive terms. A member elected or appointed to fill a vacancy shall continue to hold office for the duration of the un-expired term of the office to which he/she has been elected or appointed.” **Change to:**

Sec 304 – Term of Office. A director elected and installed into office shall continue to hold office for period of two years or until a successor has been duly elected or appointed and installed. The same individual shall not hold the office of President for more than two consecutive terms. A member elected or appointed to fill a vacancy shall continue to hold office for the duration of the un-expired term of the office to which he/she has been elected or appointed.

Amendments to Article IV – Duties of Officers.

Sec. 404. Currently reads “...all OPtHA checks will require two (2) signatures for any amount over \$500. That of the treasurer and one other member of the Executive **committee,** “ **change to “All OPtHA debits for any amount over \$500.00 will require written approval by the president. This may be done by email.”**

Add Article VII in entirety:

Article VIII Indemnification. Each officer, director and committee member of the OPtHA shall be indemnified by the OPtHA against all costs, expenses and liabilities reasonably incurred by him/her in conjunction with/or resulting from an action, suit or proceeding to which he/she may have been a party by reason of his or her being or having been a director, officer or committee person of the Club, except in relation to matters which shall have been occasioned by the willful misconduct or dishonesty of such officer, director or committee person. The foregoing right of indemnification shall cover amounts paid in settlement of any such action, suit or proceeding when such settlement appears to be in the interest of the Club. The foregoing rights shall be in addition to any other right to which such officer, director or committee member may be entitled as a matter of law

Changes proposed for the year end awards:

3) Currently reads “Points will be earned from the time the membership is received by OptHA. NO points will be granted for shows attended before the membership fee and application forms are received.” **Add: It is the member's responsibility to ensure his/her membership is current before the first point earning class entered. Member shall be required to show a current OPtHA membership card or receipt of membership to the show secretary before a back number will be issued**

4) Points may be earned for year end awards at the OPtHA Spring and Summer shows, Oregon State Fair PThA Area Championship show. **Changes to year end awards: .Points may be earned for year end awards by entry at any 2 of the shows produced by OPtHA. The State Fair, The Firecracker, the SOPtHA shows and any other Pinto Point show not produced by OPtHA may apply to have points included in the OPtHA year end awards for a per entry fee to be determined by the Board of Directors.**

4) **Delete “Approved Area Championship shows will get three sets of national points per judge and three one set of OPtHA points per judge”**

5) **delete “at least three OPtHA members must be competing for an award”**

Change to: “You must be an OPtHA member to compete for an award”

