



January 24, 2015 minutes

Call to Order: Linda Vance (Chair) called meeting to order at 10:08 am, quorum met.

Roll Call of Member Clubs and their Delegates & Alternates: Nicole Slattery-Abilla (Recording Secretary) The following were in attendance.

Kay Simmelink - COPHC

Nicole Slattery- Abilla - SWWPHC

Shannon O'Dell- INPHC

Kathy Parker- OPHC

Jessica Thorndycraft – PNPCH

Dianne Rouse - BCPHC

Linda Vance – WSPHC

Lori Nevin – RPHC

Kathy Tuttle – SWWPHC

Leila Styer - INPHC

Erin Henderson – OPHC

Tracey Chonzena Olney – PNPCH

Colleen Schellenberg – BCPHC

Jeri Stone – WSPHC

Jeffrey Harr - RPHC

GUEST:

Joey Carvelli, SWWPHC

Grace Harris, SWWPHC

Matt Henderson, OPHC

Lindsay Toney, OPHC

Louise Bruce, BCPHC alternate

2015 clubs joined (These are clubs who have submitted directors forms and payment)

BCPHC, INPHC, OPHC, PNPCH, RPHC, SWWPHC, WSPHC

Clubs not joining in 2015

Cascade PHC, Montana PHC, TVPHC, EIPHC

Waiting to hear from clubs

Snake River Club

CORRESPONDENCE: None

MINUTES: Minutes read and approved.

TREASURER REPORT- prepared, presented and distributed on behalf of Kay Simmelink. Kay was unable to attend but was diligent in sending report. She also requested in writing that she be granted permission to transfer \$1283.00 from directory fund into general fund for expenses needed (approved). She used \$208.56 of the raffle / auction fund to pay the overrun of the 2013 (Jan 2014) banquet expenses. However keeping \$500 in place to make sure if we have in the event of future overrun for banquet expense we can cover and not take monies out of general fund. The overrun is not over budget but the fees to help defray cost of banquet such as gratuities and tax for meal. * Please note we have no other income for general fund other than using funds from raffle / auction and the directory fund. She also directed attention to the overrun in the futurity fund because we only jackpotted the entry fees and only purchased a few buckles. We were not charged for secretarial. We did not have advertisement fee (advertised on internet, and free web places, FB) resulting in \$1468 to apply towards 2015 futurities. Directors attending convention were lesser than usual and the APHA has been reduced to once a year resulting in a carryover of \$892.89 for 2015. All these accounts need to stay as they are and utilize our \$708.56 balance left from the auction / raffle to pay.

OLD BUSINESS:

2015 Elections - Mike Abilla was replaced with Eric Hernderson as a board member. Mike thanked the group for his term, enjoys NWCC but due to his new work schedule would not be able to commit to meetings.

2015 Show Scheduling - Lengthy discussion about APHA World Show date changing and impact on NW shows, futurities and other regional clubs. Delegates shared the frustration of limited equine facilities to host shows. The other main complication was unavailable dates as other equine groups and well established shows do not give up dates. The county fairgrounds and arena facilities are also booking in non-horse events that use arena. Delegates agreed to work together to spread the NWCC approved shows out as best as they and NOT place on top of each other. Delegates agreed that sharing judges that are UNDER CONTRACT is also a must. Delegates thanked Shannon O'Dell for her good job as show / judge coordinator as she kept the group up to date with information via emails and website postings. INPHC lost their show date to fair / 4H show. Please stay tuned for show and major futurity information and new venue. RPHC is cancelling fun trail ride June 27-28, watch for reschedule information. Delegates asked NWCC to enforce no duplicate judges for clubs that were not experiencing a real emergency situation as the judges are posted in advance. Delegates asked for clarification on the rules of a show advertising classes but then cancelling them due to low participation. This was upsetting / complaint to members who travelled to a show for jumping classes that were advertised but then the classes were cancelled due only one jumper. **NWCC said shows have to offer classes advertised as it is unfair to exhibitors who committed to traveling. It also creates unnecessary complaints for YEA grievances.

Application for 2015 Show / Judge scheduling Coordinator - The only application was

presented by Shannon O'Dell. Unanimously accepted and thanked for her volunteerism.
Application for 2015 Futurity Coordinator- NWCC futurities were voted to be suspended.
Yearend Awards and Banquet- Finished and very nice looking awards.

NEW BUSINESS:

Applications for 2015 points keeper - Valery Johansen was unanimously voted as point's keeper.

Bylaws- Previously proposed changes all passed (these had been distributed prior by email and discussed at October meeting). Changes were clarifications on wording to simplify language.

How can NWCC recognize members who do not show? Lori Nevin proposed the question to the group. Shared statistics of APHA members who do alternative activities besides breed shows or PAC shows. What can we do to include these APHA enthusiast? A revolving trophy for trail riders was proposed. Delegates to bring back the idea to clubs.

Agenda Additions to New Business?

- 1.) **We need a volunteer for editing directory-** please take back to clubs for volunteer. \$50 gift card was approved to send to Kristy Stone Calvin for her years of service.
2. **What to do to increase participation at NWCC banquet?** Why is the banquet not getting bigger? NWCC and Zone combine meetings to help encourage everyone to participate at meetings and banquet. Price has not increased for many years. Is the price an issue? It was discussed that the AQHA banquet is more costly and turn out is huge. The hotel for NWCC is less expensive too. Should we consider changing the menu to Wine & Cheese, Dessert bar, no dinner, brunch? Nobody had any input or solution. The majority of delegates liked the location and current hotel upon weighing out pros and cons. Delegates were open to ideas for change? Emailing invitations like an evite was recommended to help remind and encourage members. Also, please invite friends to come, everyone is welcome! A volunteer group to brain storm for party planning ideas was formed- Lori Nevin, Jessica Thorndycraft, Lindsey Toney, Jesse Shaw, Erin Henderson, Kathy Tuttle, Linda Vance, Niki Slattery-Abilla. They will work via email with ideas and costs of different venues and entertainment options and report back to NWCC board by June 2015.

Zone 1 meeting - Dec 5th, 2015 1pm

NWCC Meeting Dec 6th, 2015 8:30 am ***** NEXT MEETING *****

NWCC Meeting Jan 30th, 2016 - TBA

Zone 1 meeting Jan 31, 2016 - TBA

* All meetings above are at Hood River Inn, Hood River, OR

Respectfully Submitted by,
Nicole Slattery- Abilla