



December 10, 2011 NWCC MEETING MINTUES
Hood River Inn, Hood River, OR.

2011 Paid Member Clubs: Blue Mountain, British Columbia, Cascade, Central Oregon, Inland Northwest, Oregon, Pacific Northwest, Rainier, Southeast Oregon, Southwest Washington, Washington State

Those in attendance were:

Voting Members:

Linda Vance – WSPHC	Kay Simmelink – COPHC
Luella Clark – COPHC	Lori Nevin – RPHC
Jeff Harr – RPHC	Kathy Tuttle – SWWPHC
Nicole Slattery – SWWPHC	Larry Chastain – Cascade
Tamara Chastain – Cascade	Gail Hammer – WSPHC
Shannon O’Dell – INPHC	Leila Styer – INPHC
Erin Henderson – OPHC	Matt Henderson – OPHC
Jackie Peck-Garton – BMPHC	
Kirsten Hammer – WSPHC alternate (votes in place of Linda Vance)	

Guests: Michele Simmelink-Rask (COPHC alternate), Linda Wise (OPHC), Annie Suratt (OPHC), Mike Abilla (SWWPHC), Kristi Calvin, Jeri Stone (WSPHC), Joy Bearden (SWWPHC)

CALL TO ORDER by chair Linda Vance at 9:22 am

ROLL CALL by Shannon O’Dell – 8 clubs present, which constituted a quorum.

Minutes of the January 29, 2011 meeting presented by Secretary Shannon O’Dell. Motioned and seconded to accept minutes as presented without a reading. None opposed.

CORRESPONDENCE – Shannon passed around a packet sent by the Tri-Cities Convention Bureau soliciting NWCC to move the banquet to the Tri-Cities area.

TREASURER’S REPORT:

Kay reviewed the attached Treasurer’s Reports with the committee. Motion & 2nd to approve. None opposed.

BANQUET REPORT & YEAR END AWARDS:

Joy reported that this year the banquet will have a free game to win raffle tickets that can win prizes. Brief discussion on cost of meal (something we can’t really control but are sensitive to) and that in future years we need to make the reservation form clear that people can attend the awards ceremony without participating in the meal – they just have to come after dinner so we aren’t charged for them in the head count.

Discussion that delegates need to tell their club members that winning an award does not entitle them to a personal shopping spree for what they want versus what is being offered. The whole point is the recognition for your accomplishments (again a reminder that many years ago the awards were all some version of a silver plate and we can go back to that).

Joy gave a breakdown of the challenges of purchasing year end awards – entries have been down which means assessments have been down (2008 = \$17,028.70, 2009 = \$13,384.16, 2010 = \$12,283.05, and 2011 = \$11,513.60). Plus we now have more class awards and more high point awards to pay for out of less money.

Discussion on the rollover in 2010 and in 2011 and how whomever does the awards for 2012 needs to try to get that closer because those who paid in that show year need to be the ones getting the benefit of it in their awards. Per Joy, this year we have roughly \$1,200 (exact amount to be determined after final receipts are calculated) because many classes didn't have qualifiers at the end of the year. Budget would have been used had there been qualifiers in those classes that were expected to be filled.

POINTSKEEPING:

The Board made the committee aware of the issues that the Board had dealt with coming up to the banquet (see addendum to January minutes). Executive Board will be devising a job description for the pointskeeper. Joy Bearden, Lori Nevin, Leila Styer, Gail Hammer, and Linda Vance to be the committee to come up with a job description to be voted on in February. The pointskeeper will need to send a confirmation receipt to people who submit their declaration forms saying the declaration was received XX date (so we know if it fits within our rules). Point Standing Reports need to say "tentative placings" and the final report at the end of the year needs to say "tentative placings until XX date" and then after the audit period to be changed to "final placings." Leila will also do a banner on the website.

2012 DIRECTORY REPORT:

Kristi reported that Nicole is no longer with Z Designs so Kelly & Teresa are working on our directory this year. Directory will be roughly the same number of pages and will be distributed at the February meeting. NWCC received \$900.01 in income from the directory in 2011.

2011 FUTURITIES:

See attached report from Kristi.

After discussion with Kay, Kristi decided to post an added money schedule at the show – used \$50 for 1 entry, \$150 for 2-4 entries, and \$250 for 5 & over entries. At the show the double late payment fee was dropped in favor of a \$50 late entry fee. This added 24 entries at the show. All but 2 people wanted the buckle.

NATIONAL DIRECTOR REIMBURSEMENT:

Discussion that the reimbursement guidelines need to be updated & clarified. Joy Bearden, Kay Simmelink, Leila Styer, Shannon O'Dell & Linda Vance will work on updating to bring back to the February meeting for discussion and approval.

MEMBERSHIP LIST COORDINATOR:

Joy advised that Brenda Wood has volunteered to do this again.

Shannon advised that the template for the membership list (available on the NWCC website) has the email addresses of those who clubs need to send updated lists to. Clubs need to proof their lists to make sure emails and other information is current.

WEBSITE:

Leila reported that everything should be up to date.

OTHER:

Discussion on shows and the declaration form - why do we need to use when we have the current technology? Discussed that the form makes it easier for the Pointskeeper to make sure that people have met all of our posted rules. Because people seem to have a hard time remembering to fill out the form on time, it was decided that we should have a sign in the show office reminding people to get their declaration form in and try to have forms available for people to pick up. BUT we will not have people turn them in at the show – the show secretary nor club should be responsible for getting that form turned in timely as that is the exhibitor’s responsibility.

Broke for 1 hour lunch around 11:15am and returned at 12:45pm after an Executive Board meeting

BYLAW REVIEW:

Committee went through each page of the bylaws and suggestions for language changes or additions were made. After lengthy discussion, motion & 2nd to publish the bylaws for voting in February.

Final meeting for 2010-2011 Delegates adjourned

ROLL CALL & SIGN IN OF NEW DELEGATES:

2012 Paid Member Clubs: Cascade, Central Oregon, Inland Northwest, Oregon, Pacific Northwest, Southwest Washington, Washington State (Rainier’s treasurer forgot to send check – their delegates were accepted)

Those in attendance were:

Voting Members:

Erin Henderson – OPHC	Matt Henderson – OPHC alternate
Leila Styer – INPHC	Tracy Chonzena Olney – PNPHC
Gail Hammer – WSPHC	Tamara Chastain – Cascade
Larry Chastain – Cascade	Nicole Slattery – SWWPHC
Kathy Tuttle – SWWPHC	Jeff Harr – RPHC
Lori Nevin – RPHC	Luella Clark – COPHC
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Guests: Jackie Peck (BMPHC), Jeri Stone (WSPHC alternate), Michele Simmelink-Rask (COPHC alternate), Mike Abilla (SWWPHC), Kristi Calvin, Joy Bearden (SWWPHC & OPHC), Linda Wise (OPHC), Annie Suratt (OPHC)

ELECTION: The following officers were elected by unanimous ballot

Chair – Linda Vance
 Vice-Chair – Erin Henderson
 Secretary – Shannon O’Dell
 Treasurer – Kay Simmelink
 Board: Leila Styer, Tracy Chonzena Olney, Lori Nevin

2012 SHOW DATES:

Kirsten Hammer will continue to keep the show / judge list. Current list passed out and clubs were advised to get their judges turned in ASAP.

OPHC is adding an NWCC show March 17th & 18th – it will be 3 judges and is a cancer benefit show. Most of the expenses are donated and all proceeds will go to Oregon Health Sciences for cancer research plus a women's cancer program. Motioned & 2nd to waive the \$50 NWCC assessment for the second show held by OPHC. None opposed. All clubs are encouraged to participate and support – there will be a live & silent auction as well as cash donations accepted.

POINTSKEEPING:

Motion & 2nd to table this to February after the committee brings back their recommendations for a job description. None opposed.

NATIONAL DIRECTOR REQUIREMENTS:

Motion & 2nd to table this to February after the committee brings back their recommendations for a changes. None opposed.

2012 FUTURITIES:

Discussion on the futurities and whether classes should be dropped (like weanling halter – or to move them to another show). After much discussion, motion & 2nd to keep the weanling futurities and to make the Non-Pro riding classes an All Age Non-Pro instead of Jr. Horse – none opposed.

Discussed the futurity added money. Motion & 2nd to add money on a sliding scale in classes with 2 or more entries – no added money for only one horse in the class. 6 opposed – motion carried.

After reviewing the treasurers report, Kay reported that she felt \$1,500 could be moved from the General Fund to the Futurity fund to be used as added money. Motion & 2nd – 3 opposed, motion carried.

Discussion on offering only the buckles instead of an option for the money. There was no motion.

Discussion on requiring futurity horses to enter the corresponding point class at the Zone show (this was proposed by Zone in 2011 and the NWCC Executive Board did not pass). After much discussion on the foreseeable problems with enforcing entry, withholding winnings, etc. it was motioned & 2nd to NOT require the cross over into the Zone class – none opposed.

TONIGHT'S SILENT AUCTION PROCEEDS:

A little history on some of the things we have done with the money in the past. Discussion on whether to give to the OPHC for the benefit show or use for added futurity money. Motion & 2nd to use auction proceeds for 2012 added futurity money – 1 opposed, motion carried.

2012 BANQUET:

Joy reported that dates are available in December 2012 and January 2013 depending on what we decide to do with the banquet. Discussion on how we lose some in December due to weather & Christmas parties and we lose some in January/February due to breeding & foaling & weather, but that it was much easier on those doing the awards to have the extra time (with the last show being in mid-October the final points are not available until early November which leaves 30 days or less to order & personalize awards for the banquet). It was decided to move the awards banquet back to the spring. December should remain 2 days for NWCC & Zone – can figure out how to minimize the length of hotel stay for the spring meetings. Motion & 2nd to have the annual meeting Sunday December 9th, 2012 and the banquet the evening of Saturday January 19th, 2013 – 1 opposed, motion carried.

2012 YEAR END RULES:

Motion & 2nd to continue to count 100% of the judges for 2012 – none opposed.

Motion & 2nd to allow Shannon & Linda Vance to review the NWCC rules to make some clarifications for publication in the 2012 directory. Changes will be emailed to the Board. None opposed.

WEBSITE:

Leila presented her bid for \$600 per year on a 2 year bid. To make things clearer on what should be updated on the website, all change requests will be submitted through the Secretary or Treasurer (personal note - the Pointskeeper will continue to send points information directly). Motion & 2nd to accept the bid – none opposed.

OTHER BUSINESS: Shannon gave a quick report on the accidents at Zone and INPHC and encouraged all clubs to either use a form she has designed or come up with one of their own as a reminder for people to gather some basic information at the time of the accident rather than trying to figure it out later. These things can be easily overlooked in the rush of a show.

Motion to adjourn and 2nd at 3:48pm. With no further business to discuss, meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Shannon O'Dell
NWCC 2011 & 2012 Secretary