



Feb 27, 2010 NWCC MEETING MINTUES
Hood River Inn, Hood River, OR.

CALL TO ORDER BY Vice chair Kathy Allen at 10:10 AM

ROLL CALL TAKEN

Those in attendance were:

Erin Kruitbosch –IPHC	Kim Cox – IPHC
Colette Carson – BMPHC	Anne Marie Wass – BCPHC
Tabitha Whitford – PNPHC	Lola Whitford – PNPHC
Gail Hammer – WSPHC	Janne Hammer – WSPHC
Annie Suratt – OPHC	Linda Vance –WSPHC
Shannon O’Dell – INPHC	Debbie Kruger – INPHC
Kristy Federico – SEOPHC	Nicole Slattery – SWWPHC
Debe Palmer – SWWPHC	Brian Lusk – RPHC
Colleen Lusk – RPHC	Kay Simmelink – COPHC
Michele Simmelink-Rask –COPHC	Kathy Allen – BMPHC
Joy Bearden – OPHC	

Guests: Kristi Calvin ; Jeri Stone; Joyce DesJardins; Susan Carlson; Ken Wignes; Germaine Mock.

Motion made and seconded to accept the minutes as written. **PASSED**

Treasurer’s report—Terry Stone completed the audit for 2009. Terry found the books to be in order and in balance.

Kay reported that she has put the 2009 remaining balance from our National Directors fund into the general fund. Discussion regarding this matter. Should the overage of this account remain in the appropriate funds since they are designated funds as far as income? Feeling of the membership that this money needs to remain in the Director’s fund.

Workshop always in Ft. Worth each year; convention moved around each year. This year is in TN. The following year will be in Vancouver, WA. Discussion regarding the year the APHA convention is scheduled for Vancouver, WA the funds needed would be less.

Futurity fund is the amount of the dues for the joining clubs.

Motion made and seconded to approve the treasurers report with the corrections. **PASSED**

OLD Bus

Directory Kristi -- directories are out and you should have them. One mall function and that has been addressed and taken care of. New printer and Kelly was able to give a lot of the advertisers and clubs a color ad versus a black and white.

Seems as the Halter award winners were not listed in the directory. Do not know where the ball got dropped. Class listings. Susan to check and see what happened with this.

The changing of the wording to custom awards for the futurities is against the by-laws for NWCC. Kristi stated that at the last meeting we discussed that we would offer buckles or money and give the winner the choice.

Motion made and seconded that the 2010 directory wording to be interrupted as “custom awards to mean buckles” to be in compliance with the NWCC by laws. **PASSED**

NWCC Futurities Kristi –

Letter from a concerned member was discussed and it was felt that the above motion takes care of this matter. As far as last year there is nothing that we can do about what happened last year and we have apologized for the issue and we will make the necessary changes to correct the problem.

Should we have an area like this where it might have changes we need to post something at the shows so people are aware of the change so we are not letting our exhibitors down?

Question asked as to where the money that was previously rolled over from the general fund to the futurities came from? There have been years when there have been overruns in other areas that have left our general fund with basically no money. A lot of this money has come from the Director fund since we did not spend as much money so the extra was put into the futurities as added money.

NWCC Judges and Shows—Kristen not present but the information is posted. A thank you to the Idaho Club and Blue Mountain / Hells Canyon clubs for working out the duplicate judge problem.

Minutes Keeping

Information regarding the form in which the minutes are taken was reviewed and the agreement was made that the names of people making motions or who was discussing not be published in the minutes. Also the publication of the \$ amounts for the treasurer report not be published. All of our meetings will be governed by Roberts Rules of Order.

POINTS Keeper

Susan felt that maybe there was a miscommunication as to what she was saying at the last meeting. She really wants to work with the programmer to get any upgrades and corrections at a free manner. Feels there's a lot of room for improvement. Programmer has quite a few ideas to make the program work better. Basically Susan would be the main contact and the programmer would do the points keeping.

Susan presented her letter of intent to the group with discussion following.

Discussion regarding the person keeping points should not be showing. Discussion on this as everyone feels that this is a vol. position and that if you are doing this then you need to be able to understand the process.

Also discussed that mid way thru the year the points need to be posted at the shows. Eventhough they are posted on the website not everyone uses the web. Mentioned that there was a discussion back a few years ago that there would be something posted at the shows stating that they can find the points listed and how or who to contact for the information.

Letter of intent from Valerie Johansen was read for consideration for the position.

Much discussion regarding the ability of both prospective points keepers took place. Feel that Susan needs to come back in to the room to answer some questions.

IE: 1)How do you make corrections if APHA has made changes to the class such as lowering the number of horses in the class.

2) Are the halter problems corrected? And what caused them? (Susan felt that the problems have been addressed and it was a program problem)

Susan assured us that they would go thru the first and second shows of the season with a fine tooth comb to make sure that the program is working correctly and that it is not picking up numbers from the previous show.

Exhibitors feel that we are obviously having program issues and are complaining about this.

After a lengthy discussion and many questions being answered a vote was taken. Our 2010 Points Keeper will be Susan Carlson

Due to a misprint in the directory we need to post at all shows, postcards, show bills etc that we are counting 100% of judges for 2010. I will make up a poster for Edie to post at the shows. Susan will make sure this information is on the new declaration form.

Kristi will contact Z Designs regarding this matter and see what we can work out on a correction being sent out.

This also needs to be posted all over the websites

Susan wants to know about posting of all corrections. Leila states via email, during meeting, that she will post within a couple of days as long as the format is sent correct.

Possibility of sending out the newest update to all club secretaries. (Need to email Susan the email addresses of secretaries.)

Awards –Joy

At this point we are coming in under budget and working with Brenda has been wonderful. Nicole Slattery has also been helping and without these two gals we would not have been able to do as well as we have on the awards.

Send Out Cards—\$119. for the year of 2010. Divided by the number of clubs is their fee.

Per Leila for the Send out cards. She does not wish to do this service this year so if clubs would like to do this we need to find someone else.

A proposal submitted by Brenda Woods with Hampton Horsewear to supply the same service as Send Out cards to the club who wish to use the postcards. She will design, print, and mail the post cards for \$455.

Should any of the clubs not wish to use the Post Cards and want mailing labels Brenda would supply them for a cost of \$40 per set.

If we are not going to use Send Out cards then we need to make a cancellation

Motion made and seconded to cancel the Send out Cards program. **PASSED**

NEW BUSINESS

Point calculation—Discussion regarding classes that are not offered at all shows. Group agreed that we keep them as is. Need to earn 25 points in a class to qualify for a year end award.

Membership clarifications -- Question asked regarding the member having a family membership do they need a separate membership in order to show amateur. Membership needs to be the same as the registration papers and then the member must have APHA amateur card. Feel that the declaration form has helped answer questions on this.

(Need to clear up the wording of the rules for the directory)

MAILING LIST -- requested that I send out an xl spreadsheet out to all clubs showing what information we want on it. (Send out to club sec)

Leila is willing to send out the mailing list (we will get from Leila and Brenda and I will do the labels for \$40)

Bi-Laws – do we need to set a committee to review the by-law? Send out notifications to the clubs stating that we are going to review (Committee: Edie, Joy, Janna, Kristi,) Send out notice to clubs starting in June and then each month so we can discuss at the Dec. meeting.

Painting as Year End Awards-- one exhibitor feels that they should have been able to get a painting as their High Point award. After much discussion it was stated that we need to be able to do for all, not just one. It had also been stated from the Feb. meeting that there was not the budget this year to do the painting.

Non Profit mailing status-- is this something that NWCC would like to do? After much discussion it was decided that we would get more information on this and get back to the group.

Suggestion made that we go to someplace and see if we can use someone else's bulk mailing permit.

2010 Futurity Awards -- Kristi

There will be 16 futurity classes this year. Need two additional awards. Buckles at \$100 we would have \$1800 for buckles with \$600 being left over.

Motion made to offer the exhibitor the option to receive a buckle or the equal amount in money.

PASSED

Added money would come from sponsorships, etc. Any sponsorship monies always go toward the added money.

2011 Banquet Location: location was great to work with. Do we want to keep it in Feb rather than Dec?

Motion made and seconded to have the 2010 banquet at Hood River Inn on Jan 29 & 30, 2011 and maybe bring back bids in Dec. for the 2011 banquet. **PASSED** Joy will contact Hood River Inn and make arrangements.

2011 APHA Convention; APHA President Linda Vance reported that the 2011 APHA convention will be in Vancouver, WA. on Oct. 5, 6 & 7.

Convention moves via Zones and for 2011 we would like our clubs to help participate in providing a gift bag to all those who register at the convention. Please let Linda know if your club would like to do something on this. Please let Linda know by the end of March.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 1:35.

Respectfully submitted
Joy Bearden – NWCC Secretary