NW REGIONAL BOARD MEETING JANUARY 7, 2017

PANERA BREAD FEDERAL WAY

**Meeting called to order:** 10:03 am

**Attendees:** Cathie Farr, Alishia Hornburg, Julie Mowbray, Ann Shideler, Tricia Stewart Black

**Treasurer’s report:**

--Budgets handed out for 2016 Actual, 2016-2017 Comparison, and Budget for 2017

--In 2016 region was budgeted to lose about $4k, instead made about $2k

--11 clubs had not sent in Regional dues by the end of the year: Briarwood, Equitese, French Creek, Hilander, Kulshan Ridge, Lincoln Creek, Maplewood, Brackenhollow Stable.

We have budgeted to lose approx.$4500 in 2017

**RIC Report:**

--Club Commitments – There was no club signed up for Upper Level Orientation (which takes place today) . Still need EBTH and C and above camp clubs to sponsor. Julie volunteered Ranahan to help at EBTH Rally.

--Asia Thayer will be the instructor for Standards & Certifications Seminar on February 11 at UW Tacoma. Likely 9:00am start time.

Examiners need to have been in attendance last year, or this year to be included on the list of instructors.

--Upper Level Mounted Prep is scheduled April 29-30 at Woodbrook Stables in Lakewood. Instructors will be Richard Lamb & Asia Thayer. There will be educational activites available in the evenings by Richard Lamb .

--Cost of Upper Level Prep is $175 (if early bird $50 deposit is made), otherwise $225 .

--HB and HA prep will take place at Cedar Ridge Equestrian in Snohomish. June 3 (HB), and June 4 (HA).

Sarah Morgan coming from Virginia to instruct. She was the examiner for HA exam in Oregon last year.

--C and up Camp is July 27-30 at Aspen Farm in Yelm

Liz Tukey is booked as instructor, another examiner (National Certified) will also be instructing. In addition, John Camlin – will teach pacing and X country for 1 day.

Ten D level riders will be needed for ‘teach to teach’ instruction at the upper level camp. Projected to be at no cost for the D riders.

--Cost of C and Up Camp is projected to be $450 with earlybird payment, or $500 without earlybird payment.

**NW Regional Youth Board**

--Youth Board met in December.

--Molly Akers, Kaitlyn Schueler and Cora Swindale are new members on the Youth Board. Current members are: Jordan Beckingham , Kathryn Craig, Rio Mowbray

**Youth Board** **Mission Statement :**

The Northwest Regional Youth Board mission is to help provide an in-depth communication between members, clubs, and the Regional Board. The Youth Board will also help provide greater opportunities for members of the region.

**HMO Report**

HM camp at Miracle Ranch March 4-5

Projected contributors include:

Farrier Dawn Dofelmier – An A level pony clubber and farrier

John Merriwether – Saddlefitter

Donna Longacre – Will present on dressage tests critiques from a judges point of view

Kimberly Barber – Bandaging/conformation/lameness

A veterinarian – Dissection – can also help with dosages and medications for HA candidates.

Natalie Shaw - HA & HB sessions

Alishia will cover HM topics

--A difference at camp this year is that there will be another retreat going on with 350 attendees. We will have a bit less room to operate than previous years.

--Cost for entire weekend will be $75 per person for HM camp (including EBTH)

Or just for EBTH only $40 (covers ribbons and lunch)

--Need a flyer for HM camp to promote now

--Rallies: Need more HM people for help in the barns.

--Perhaps there could be a stipend for training at HM camp?

 If people come for HM training Training at HM seminar, there will be free lunch.

--Maybe on the rally forms it needs to say: 1 HM volunteer and 2 general volunteers per team

--HM can be done in 4 hour shifts, does not have to be an “all weekend or all day” volunteer.

--Upper level testing dates:

Oregon Region is holding HB test in May.

At this time, Oregon Region is not requesting any other upper level tests for 2017

At this point, there will be no test dates requested for HA or A for Inland, Oregon, or NW. This may change, depending on need. Mid Cal Region will likely request to hold these tests.

--NW Region will request upper level testing for August 4-5-6.

If upper level certifications are held at Caber, perhaps we could

use the portable stalls, as stalls were tight last year.

**Championships**

--Goal is to have championships section on the website and participants can get signed up, and pay online. There will likely be a fee associated with online sign ups.

**New Business**

--Onelist: Jennifer & Julie are the current administrators.

--Need contract from Donida for dressage rally. Angela Filer will be helping Sam organize this year

--Leadership Retreat (DC retreat) paperwork needs to go out soon.

There will be a treasurer program, that will be just 1 day.

Leadership retreat – can dinner be done all together?

--Early Bird form for pre-payment for the upper level activities needs to be on the website by March 1.

Cost of Leadership Retreat 2017 needs to be determined

--Julie will order pins for Champs

Adjourn: 12:16