

Minutes NWRB February 26, 2016  
SUSET GRILL  
4926 POINT FOSDICK DR NW  
GIG HARBOR

Meeting called to order 7:09pm by Julie

Present: Sam Bokor, Cathie Farr, Alishia Hornburg, Julie Mowbray, Ann Shideler, Jennifer Sweet, Tricia Stewart Black

**Secretary's Report:** Tricia

Minutes from the previous Regional Board Meeting October 4, 2015 were distributed by email to the board, no changes or corrections. Minutes were posted to the NW Region Website.

**Treasurer's Report:** Cathie

Treasurer's report dated February 25, 2016, Profit & Loss NW Region January 1-February 25 2016, Actual for the year 2016 and budget for the year 2016 were handed out.

Current Funds Available: \$24,508.35

Cathie reports that many members are renewing late. Also are some whose names are showing as members of the Region, but they have not renewed with National. This is a big concern for insurance coverage for anyone who may be participating without proper renewals.

Membership in our region is down about 15% from 2015.

**Youth Board:** Julie gave report

The Youth Board is hoping to hold a "Learn to Teach" and D camp. The proceeds they earned from previous fundraisers can help cover the costs.

Sam Bokor volunteered to be the Youth Board Mentor.

Jenna and Rio would both like to find replacements for themselves on the Youth Board.

**HMO Report:** Alishia

HM Camp and EBTH rally at Miracle Ranch April 2-3 registration information is posted to the website. Working on more crafts ideas, EBTH information, and leadership track.

There will be a D track, C track, and upper level track and Horsemasters track. There is not an option for participating 1 day only.

For the upper level education Donna Longacre, Natalie Shaw, a farrier, and a Veterinarian will be presenting.

Alishia will talk about the offerings during the DC retreat, then make a flyer for the website.

Cost of the weekend is \$95.

Entries will be capped at 100. Need at least 80 participants.

At the DC Retreat, Alishia will have a 'Mythbusters' about rallies. Alishia queried the Chiefs to obtain great ideas.

Discussion followed about how to get more Horse Management assistants for rallies. Part of historical problem is that parents think you have to volunteer for the entire weekend for horse management at rallies. One day only or part days is possible.

**RIC Report:** Ann

Most clubs have given instructional plans to Ann. Ann met with Chehalis Valley to make an instructional plan.

Instructional plans will be one of Ann's topics at the DC retreat.

The prep registrations are available on the NW Website.

Standards and Certs is March 6. So far there are 35 people signed up to come.

So far there are 7 HB candidates interested in testing this year, 1 HA, 10 signed up for mounted prep, 9 signed up for camp. Break even number for camp is about 20.

Bandaging and lunging clinic on Feb 20 broke even. It took place at Cheval Hill in Monroe. French Creek put on the event.

16/28 clubs have 1 year or less experienced DC's.

Carbon Hooves is hoping for guest instructors at no cost. Ann has emailed, asking for help from the regions DC's on their behalf.

**Old Business:**

There are now more administrators on the Facebook website: Connie Riker, Trish Camozzi-Eckberg and Christy Loe are primary admins. Monitoring admins are Sam, Ann and Alishia. The idea is to allow pony club members, friends, parents to have access.

Nominating committee will be introduced at the Regional Council meeting at the DC Retreat this weekend.

**Sam gave report on rallies and champs.**

Dressage Rally expenses are higher than usual. Judges will be charging more than previous. Donida is also going to cost more. Cost of rally will be approximately \$185 per rider. Goal is to have the rally packet out the first week of March . Christy Loe is in training as Rally Coordinator. Date is booked for Dressage Rally at Donida, but no deposit is made yet. Contract is not yet ready.

Qualifying for Champs has changed to reflect the need for a score of 55% in 2016 on test 3, and in 2017, the score will need to be 60%.

**New Business:**

Sunset Valley and Rainier are new pony clubs to our region. They will be announced at the DC Retreat this weekend.

Championships will be discussed at the DC Retreat.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:58pm.

