

February 2016 NPHC Board Meeting

Attendance: Caren, Jean, Jamie, Lindsey, Renee, Kari, Colleen, Becky

Non-voting members in attendance: Mindy, Jim Hultman

Meeting called to order at 12:23pm – Wooden Windmill, Fremont, NE

Colleen read the January 10th board meeting minutes

Motion to approve minutes came from Jean, second by Jamie

Lindsey gave the treasurers report:

Checking \$13,693.22

Youth Portion \$5,156.11

Money Market \$10,243.05

Youth Club Pending Debit: Wolf Bros \$1060

Open Club Outstanding Check: Andy Croghan \$290.00

Correction for charge to be moved from the open club to the Youth Club: Personalization Mall \$43.35
November 2015

Colleen started discussion about the 2015 banquet:

1. Noted that Sedlacek was missing from the free membership list, though they were present at the banquet. Lindsey added this membership to the list.
2. Colleen pointed out that youth members not in attendance at the Banquet would still need to pay their \$5 per child youth fee. Lindsey will have this added to the newsletter and will bill the necessary families.

Though the youth fee was previously mentioned in 2015 meeting minutes, a second vote was held regarding the \$5 fee. The vote came out 4 yeah, and 3 opposed to charging the fee. Original vote carries – families who attended the 2015 banquet will be billed for youths that did not attend.

Jean motioned to accept the treasurers report with the above changes, Colleen second.

Caren went over the 2016 Judges, stating that she is having trouble getting judges hired within our budget. Airfare is the biggest issue – as most flights are in the \$400 range. Caren asked the board what our thought were about hiring some local judges for the last couple shows of the year, to cut down on costs. Kari suggested trying to hire from Arizona, even if we have to pay a bit more. Discussion ended with Caren saying she would give it one more try, before asking the board to raise the budget.

Discussion was started on the subject of show management and what a Show Manager's duties are. It was mentioned that this would be very useful to have printed in the next newsletter. Some of the duties mentioned are: Finding Gate Help, Coordinating Trail/Game Setup & Cleanup, Filling out the Judging Surveys at the end of the show, Lining up Trail Scribes, Collecting Patterns from the judges for pattern book printing.

Colleen started discussion about where Pleasure Driving was placed in the show schedule. Colleen's concern is that the driving classes will add 2 hours to the show day since they will need time to tack up and warm up.

There was some discussion about moving the driving classes to the beginning of the day, or to later in

the day – just before games. No decision was made. The board is going to see if there are any driving entries in March, and see how the day is affected. If necessary the board will work with any Driving exhibitors to see what works best for them and adjust the show bill as necessary for future shows.

Mindy presented the Youth Club Proposal – asking the open club to pay for one of the 2 saddles that the youth club will be giving away. The cost per saddle is \$645, including leather work done by Greg Rainforth.

Prior to a vote, there was some discussion and voiced concern over what the youth club was bringing to the table for the open club. It was again mentioned that the youth club should manage a show. Discussion continued around the saddle giveaway rules, and whether or not they promoted new entries. Mindy gave detail on the rules for eligible exhibitors: each participant must show at 51% of the shows, fulfill volunteer requirements, help with youth club fundraisers. It was expressed that there will be other items to win, for the kids that do not win a saddle.

The youth saddle discussion was tabled while Jamie presented a proposal for the open club to do their own incentive with giveaway in 2016. The proposal is for a contest to be held at the July and September shows. 2 prizes would be up for grabs, one for Amateur exhibitors, and one for Open exhibitors. Each exhibitor would have to show in a minimum of 3 classes (one class must be Halter, and one class must be a Performance class), in order to get a ticket for that show. Tickets would put in for the 2 drawings, which would take place at the last show of the year.

Conversation went back to the youth saddle proposal.

Kari made a motion for the open club to pay for one saddle, Colleen second.

Vote – 2 yes (Kari, Colleen), 5 no (lindsey, Jamie, Renee, Becky, Jean)

Discussion continued about the youth saddles. Kari asked what the youth club could do, to get the open club to reconsider. It was again mentioned that the youth club could do something to help the open club.

Discussion shifted to talk about show fees and what it takes to get people to show.
Participation....costs....awards...

Kari made a motion that the open club pay for ½ of one saddle – a cost of \$320.50.
Renee Second. Vote 5 yes (Kari, Colleen, Jean, Renee, Becky), 2 no (lindsey, Jamie)

Back to Jamie's proposal. Suggestions were made as to the types of awards that could be given. Some of those mentioned were Buckles, a Scooter, Visa Gift Cards.

Jean made a motion that we impose a \$500 budget for 1 open and 1 amateur award be purchased for the July and September shows. Kari Second.

There was some discussion of the rules – whether or not they have to go into Halter.
It was suggested that this be available to members only – those that want to participate must join.

Jean's motion was amended to require the entrants to be 2016 NPHC members.
Vote 6 yes, 1 no (colleen)

Becky made a motion to offer a free show again in 2016. The last show of the year, a full free weekend - exhibitors only pay Stall Fee and APHA fees. (this cost the club \$3000 in 2015)
Colleen second. Vote 5 yes (Becky, Lindsey, Colleen, Jean, Kari), 2 no (Jamie, renee)

The Directory was discussed. 800 copies were printed, with 60 pages total. Each club will have profited \$140.34. Mindy brought up ways to gain ads for next year, stating that many people will advertise if you call them, rather than relying on them to read the website, facebook, newsletter, or participate in meetings.

All breed classes were discussed.

Lindsey made a motion to offer year end awards for the All Breed classes – at a budget of \$20 per award. Kari second. Vote 7 yes, 0 no.

Volunteer points were discussed. Colleen stated that we needed to give points for more things, further recognizing the hard work of everyone. The below items were discussed and agreed upon:

Newsletter – 200 points (minimum of 6 per year)

Hiring Judges – 200 points

Taking stall reservations for the year – 75 points

Running the Banquet – 200 points toward the following show year

Hauling and storing the trail trailer – 200 points

Driving the trail equipment into the arena for setup/cleanup – 50 points per show

Move in day (being at the show grounds by noon) – 75 points per show

Mindy suggested the board give an incentive for persons having earned more than 500 volunteer points in one year. For this incentive it was suggested that points not be gifted between exhibitors for anything above 200 points. So, exhibitors could still help each other earn enough points to qualify for year end awards, but nothing above that. Exhibitors could not help each other reach the incentive. Lindsey suggested it be a tack stall for the next show season.

Jamie discussed Shirt Sales:

Tshirts \$12, tank tops \$15, sweatshirt \$18, hoodies \$22

Order forms are available and will go out in the newsletter and will be available on the website. All forms are due April 4th so that shirts can be delivered at the April show.

The 2015 banquet and membership drive was discussed. 28 memberships were given away, at a cost of \$840. There was discussion that the incentive didn't really bring in any new memberships.

Jamie went over the 2015 Jackpot. There were 28 entries. NPHC was paid \$5 per entry, a total of \$140 paid to NPHC. The Jackpot will continue in 2016.

Caren brought up 2016 April show exhibitor gifts.

Colleen went over her plans for the April show awards budget. Circuit awards will be \$10 each, and high points will be \$60 with reserve awards at \$40 each..

Mindy gave the youth report, going over all of the youth fundraisers.

Lindsey was reminded to add Pleasure Driving to the website.

Renee went over the new control sheet with renumbered classes on the show bills. The new numbering is estimated to save our office help 2 hours per show.

Becky brought up whether or not we are going to allow Jumpouts at the April show – as the show bill does not explicitly say ‘no’. Discussion continued over LEC rules – horses are not allowed to be tied to fences or stall fronts. It was suggested that we add “no jumpouts” to future show bills where the stall fee is separate from the show fees.

Caren brought up possibly doing a circuit with Kansas. The idea is to use the Kansas May show and the Nebraska July show as a circuit – combining budgets for circuit awards. Caren was asked to get budget details so we can discuss at the next meeting.

Jean motioned to adjourn. Lindsey second.

Meeting adjourned at 4:32pm