

General Membership Meeting  
February 26, 2017  
2:18 Call to order

Board Present: Lindsey, Caren, Jean, Kari, Renee  
Board Absent: Colleen, Jaci, Becky

Members Present: Carrier Rasmussen, Bill Godeken, Donna Freeman, Mike Blazek, Myron Andrews

Jean moved we skip reading the minutes due to not having the fall meeting minutes.  
Lindsey second

Lindsey read the treasurer's report:  
Open Checking, \$17,066.78  
Youth Checking, \$5,767.29  
Money Market, \$10,258.88  
Total Monies, \$27,325.66

There were no questions regarding the current bank balances.

Donna asked about judges costs.  
She stated that the pinto club was able to hire Jill Paxton for \$500/day + hotel. NPHC hired her for \$800-\$900/day the same year.

There was additional discussion on Facility costs. It was mentioned that the club should try to find a cheaper facility.

Lindsey stated that the Directory would make a profit and that the committee would meet soon to finalize the directory financial report.

Donna made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Carrie second.

Caren discussed 2017 shows:  
July / Oct would double point with Kansas, and that the show bills needed to be finalized.  
26 judges in 2017, need to show to 14  
Yearling LL only had 14 judges, so they would need to show to 7.

Volunteer points:  
Donna brought up not liking the 200 volunteer points for a \$65 award, when it already costs \$1000 to show a horse all year.  
Donna brought up that if a person can't make the Marck & April shows, they can't catch up to qualify for awards.

Myron talked about trading off with helping at a show.

Donna brought up having the university kids come in to help out. The board had looked into this previously, and hadn't had much luck.

Handbooks:

Lindsey and Renee announced that they were printed.

LEC 2020:

We discussed the LEC hosting the 2020 High School Finals Rodeo, and our show would be affected. We will likely need to find a new date for our April show.

New Business:

Fee Changes:

There was discussion about the fee committee working with each other to come up with another proposal.

Show Schedule (re:):

Show schedule change were gone over.

No performance halter, adding ranch pleasure, adding youth SPB classes.

Carrier R asked about SPB class numbers. There was a short discussion.

There was further discussion about the show schedule. Donna asked why the POR isn't in May. Lindsey went over the facility availability issues with our May date (the Arabian show, etc). Caren is going to check with LEC about getting more of the facility in May in the future, as well as how long the Arabians have the facility contracted for. The question was asked if we could consider moving the POR to May, to be ready for 2020.

Volunteer Points:

Caren went over the changes set in the board meeting:

Halter and Showmanship being split apart. Western Riding and Reining being split away from Games. Points for hauling the trail trailer.

Buckle Sponsorship:

The board announced the Buckle Sponsorship for the All Breed Ranch Riding in July. The classes (youth and non-youth) will be held Saturday, all profits to NPHC.

High Point Awards:

Caren discussed taking away circuit awards from the April show, to save money. Also, it was discussed that there would be an exhibitor party in lieu of high point awards at the May show. It was discussed that if we took away high point awards (and circuit awards in April) from all shows, the club could save \$2400 a year.

Advertising:

Donna asked about advertising in Horse Circuit News.

Caren mentioned advertising in the Paint Horse Journal. Lindsey mentioned that it is rather expensive to advertise in the PHJ, and looked up the costs.

½ page color \$788, ½ page black & white \$648

Carrie brought up advertising in the Chronicle, and offered to look up the prices. She thought the cost was around \$350-450 for a half page (color).

Youth Club:

It was announced that the new Youth Advisor is Courtney, and that Jaci will help her.

Kari announced the youth club would be selling cookie dough again.

Jean mentioned that we should sell t-shirts and sweatshirts again.

Renee motioned to adjourn @ 3:14

Jean second