

Central District OHSET Meeting Minutes – May 25, 2016

In attendance: Barb Walley (Co-chair), Lani Wyman (Treasurer), Adrienne Yenne (Summit/District Athlete Rep), Heather Zumwalt (Mt View), Raymond Blevins (Redmond), Tahnee Hayden (Redmond), Elizabeth Olson (Redmond), Christina Bates (LaPine), Nancy Wiggins Condon (Crook), Sharon Sieveking (Mt View). Via phone: Debi Ferrer (The Dalles).

Note: underlined attendees are voting attendees. Meeting called to order at 6:38pm.

Approval of April 27th minutes – Tahnee moved to pass. Nancy 2nd. Passed unanimously.

Financials/Cherries

- Have most of cherry money in- cherries out are in stores and money coming in as sold.
 - We made over \$10,000 profit to district wth this fundraiser.
 - Agreed to do again next year with combination of dark and milk chocolate cherries.
 - October 15, 2016 will be our packing date.
- Our budget came in good for the year.
 - Still have a few small items; under budget by about \$2,000 for year.

State Meet

- Is there any way we can get in the horse barn?
 - Our haul-ins are up by Juniper arena and would be nice to be closer so we can come together as district at State.
 - Request was made this year, but too late – will see what we can do for next year – and also focus on getting group area so we can have more district unity at state.
- Golf carts were crazy – adults and teens.
 - This was a recurring theme over the weekend. Barb to bring up at the June State Board Meeting.
- Many horses seemed to spook at the extra stand in Dressage and Working Pairs.
 - We will put up a stand at the 3rd meet next year to help with this transition; could put a volunteer in the stand or a judge apprentice if we have one.
- Discussed raised dressage court.
 - Heather mentioned we could possibly borrow one (know a trainer with one and doesn't use in winter) but we would be responsible for it and they are very expensive.
 - Tahnee said Southern has a homemade one with PVC pipe and buckets that works really well.
 - Could get supplies donated.
 - Barb will research this.

Regional Meet

- Lani needs to get check to State by June 1 so needs stall and camping numbers and payment from teams now.
- Figure 8 will be “Idaho Stakes Race”
 - If needed, more info on WAHSET.org in their rule book.

Central District Meets

- Schedule – continued discussion from last meeting – our current schedule works very well for judges but not necessarily for athletes.
 - Think we can get in-hand events running separately from mounted events.
 - Could we move IHOR to be with these events and maybe Western Horsemanship to Friday?
 - Need to make sure consider equipment between IHOR and In-hand Trail.
 - Also would save district money to use 2 judges for Drill – think this would still give ample feedback to teams and this is all that is required.
 - Tahnee said we want to schedule judges right after the Judge’s training in early September in order to have more availability, so need schedule finalized.
 - Decided this is something that could be done in smaller group over the summer – either with a meeting or through e-mails.
 - Heather, Tahnee, Christina, Barb, Lani expressed interest of being involved – anyone else who would like to be in the process should let Barb know.
- E-mail Tahnee judge’s you would like to see or not see back.
- 2017 meet dates: February 17-19; March 31-April 2; April 14-16; State – May 11-14.

Central District Operating Procedures

- Handed out copy with proposed changes in bold
 - Discussed a few wording changes but tabled to next meeting (revised copy attached).
 - Changing the Student Representative voting from fall to spring has not been voted on yet, so for this year, will still be fall appointment/vote.
 - Need to also decide as a District what we want to require for tack – boots, helmet, bridle, saddle???

Nominations

- Barb said that all positions have agreed to continue next year (with the exception of Secretary); our co-chair situation worked for us this year if it worked for the district – Between us and Marty we all have our different strengths and we work well together.
 - Marty will not be able to make as many meetings in the past – district and state. Would love to have an adult representative try to make some of the state board meetings.
 - Both Heather and Tahnee felt they could help with some notice.
 - Barb will keep an eye on the state calendar (and ask at June state board meeting when dates will be set) and we will all try to plan better this upcoming year.
 - Adrienne should be able to make some as well – but will need ride when out of town.
 - Decided not to appoint a specific representative at this time and see what the calendar looks like.
- Nancy motioned we nominate - Barb Walley and Anne Geser Co-Chairs; Marty Hopper (Vice Chair). Donna 2nd. Passed unanimously.
- Treasurer position is an appointed position with “agreement from District” – all agreed Lani Wyman should continue!
- Student Rep – still working on getting the info. Holly Silvey decided she does not have the time. Mikkaela Ruise from Sherman and Sararose Campanella from The Dalles have still expressed interest and we will get in place in the fall.
- We need a secretary! Did not have many schools represented tonight so hopefully we have someone interested. This is a great position for a parent that wants to be involved but not tied down at the meets.
 - Responsibilities include taking meeting minutes and distributing.
 - Currently secretary has also been communicating to district and managing contact list – Barb can continue to do this if new secretary does not want to.
 - Most important thing is to have someone else taking minutes at the meetings.
 - Needs to be in place by next meeting – we can start our meeting with nomination/vote.

Other

- Lengthy discussion of benefit sponsors would have to our district.
 - Adrienne mentioned it would be nice to have a top 5 award for District High Points – for example, South Valley has embroidered awards and this would help keep OHSET visible in Central District.
 - We could either have sponsors donate for “District” or specific awards and that would free up money that we currently use for awards (buckles, trophies) for other expenses and could bring our fees down in that way.
 - Raymond said he would be happy to take athletes to potential sponsors – important to make personal contact, and they want to see athletes in their team jacket or uniform.
 - Does not have to be just horse related companies.
 - Make initial contact with company and ask when it would be best to come talk with them (many have their annual budget, and when it’s gone, it’s gone).
- Barb will start a process – ask other district chairs, make sure there are no state restrictions and put a proposal together.
- We will set up committee or whatever we feel necessary after we get further information.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

Next meeting: September 27th (Tuesday), 6:30pm, Mountain View High School.