

In Attendance: (Underline Notes Voting Members): Patty Neumann-Mt. View, Jenelle Neumann-Mt. View, Julie Vosberg-Sisters, Kathy Russell-LaPine, Adaline Meeks-LaPine, Kylee Trammel-Redmond, Michael Trammel-Redmond, Lani Wyman-Treasurer, Heather Zumwalt-Co Vice Chair, Keri Strawn-Madras, Ann Dill-Crook, Nancy Wiggins-Condron-Crook, Andria Lindsey-Bend, Barb Walley-Chair, Via Phone: Gayln Snair-Ridgeview

Meeting called to order by Heather Zumwalt at 6:38pm

Patty from Mt. View motioned the November minutes be approved as sent per email. Kathy from La Pine second. Minutes passed unanimously.

**Financials:** Budget was passed around. Not much has changed as we are in the collecting portion more than the check writing portion.

Cherry totals were sent around. Please turn money into Lani at each meeting for all cherries sold. All of the cherries have been distributed. If you have athletes that are not selling the cherries, please bring them back as we have athletes wanting to sell them. Ideally each athlete is responsible for 25 bags of cherries.

Lani has raffle tickets for your teams. Please pick these up at the end of the meeting. Each athlete is responsible for 10 tickets. These sell for \$5 per ticket. It is imperative that EVERY tickets stub and the money for the ticket stubs be returned. Remember that \$1 of every ticket sold comes directly back to the district. If you have athletes wanting to sell more tickets PLEASE ask Lani for more tickets. The more we sell the more we get back!

Athlete Fees are due to Lani no later than January 10<sup>th</sup>. This gives her enough turn around time to get it to the state before the cut off. If you have a first year athlete that received a scholarship, please be sure to let Lani know that when registering and paying for your athletes. These scholarships were \$100 each.

**Annual Meeting Report:**

The annual meeting went well. They discussed all of the rule change results. Please note you are able to read through the state board meeting minutes to find the answers. Those are available at [www.ohset.com](http://www.ohset.com) under the state board area. The big rule outcomes we covered at the meeting are the snaffle bit for senior equine to be accepted in the western horsemanship and western trail classes. This was voted no and did not pass. The rule will remain the same.

The vote to have rhinestones on helmets passed and will be allowed. The vote to have rhinestones on the brow band and noseband for Dressage passed and will be allowed.

Non-Competing athlete's change of grade from 9<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> was passed. Barb and Heather will bring up at the next state board meeting how we go about checking their grades for eligibility, how to excuse them from school for competitions, and figure out what all we need to know to move forward with them. It sounds like we may have a few in our district this year.

Another big one is that coaching is now allowed inside and outside of the arena for all events.

All other rule changes will be noted in the rule book so be sure to read it.

This year the rule book will be printed differently. The rule book being printed will only have the rules and will be good for 2 full seasons before it is changed/printed again.

The patterns this year will only be available online. If you have a hardship situation that an athlete needs them printed and isn't able to afford them, please let your district chair know and we can get some printed. Next year, there will be a pattern book printed with 7-12 patterns for each event. Then, moving forward on December 1 of each year the state will list what pattern they will be using for that season.

The patterns were all reviewed and questions were asked. The patterns are being revised and should be out within a week. Once they are 'finalized' the 'draft' will be removed from the online version. They should not vary much but be sure to check them to ensure your athletes are riding to the correct patterns.

### **State Board Meeting Report:**

Rule Changes: We stated these above in the minutes and the full report is available online from the meeting minutes from the state.

### **Athlete/Team Sponsorship:**

At the November meeting we as a district voted to have each athlete bring in \$30 per athlete as a team sponsorship. We left this up to the teams to determine how they provided this money. Some teams are looking for a donation while some teams are working for it.

Moving forward we as a district need to set up a plan for advertising for these donations that may be coming in. What do we want to do?

Heather stated maybe for this first year we advertise the same for everyone under a certain dollar amount and then the same for over that certain dollar amount. The dollar amount was not determined. We agreed to have announcements at the morning meetings, during team penning and drill, and to hang company banners around the meets. If a larger sponsor came through we can add them to some of the awards with their name on it.

Moving forward into the next season we will get specifics laid out in a letter/form for the athletes to be able to present to potential sponsors.

### **Clinics:**

January 21<sup>st</sup> there is a Jumping clinic at Paradise Ranch with Rachael Rees van den Berg. There will be a flyer available soon. This will be for all levels and is being offered for free. If you have any jumpers this is a great opportunity to receive instruction. Sounded like there may be 3-5 athletes interested.

January 28<sup>th</sup> there is a team penning clinic being held at Rim Rock Riders. Bobbie Hall will be the instructor. There is a flyer that was emailed out. Please get your team numbers to Christina Bates ASAP so the appropriate number of cattle can be ordered. Bend = 6, Mt. View = 7/8, Crook = 6, Madras = 3-4

### **Versatility:**

The versatility event is changing slightly from last year and it will be an official event this year. There will be district awards as well as qualifiers for state and state awards. They are working to have it available at PNWIC as well if Washington will get on board. The official information of how the event is being run will come out online soon.

### **Shavings:**

Keri is checking to see if Brightwood will be able to donate the shavings again. We will need 2 loads for the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> meets. We would pay for the truck delivery fee.

**Daubing/Roping:**

It seems there is a lack of availability to practice roping and daubing. Brett Mills was offering some practices so check with him. There is team roping on Tuesdays at Rim Rock at 6:00pm. If OHSET athletes would like to do breakaway roping they can show up and pay the \$20 fee and let them know they want to breakaway and the gentlemen out there will help.

Andy Stefan (sp?) is out near sisters and is available for practices and lessons for roping and daubing as well.

**Restaurant Fundraiser:** This is still in the works. We will need to do a Monday or Tuesday night as those are the only nights they offer it. Michael Trammel from Redmond is going to set up a date and get it out to us. It is important everyone knows they must have the PRINTED flyer to hand in for us to receive the money. Details will come out once the date is set.

Meeting adjourned 7:45pm.

Next Meeting – January 10, 2018, 6:30pm, Mountain View High School Room A8