

# **OHSET State Board Meeting Minutes from State Championship Meet, May 2012**

**Wednesday May 16**

## **General Announcements and Reminders**

- Points office is at the end of the hall as it was last year. Remember that any changes must be made BEFORE the event starts.
- All horses must have a stall card. Generic forms are available in the show office.
- Turn in USB drives before drill for judges' comments.
- No horses are allowed in front of barns. We will make some temporary signs to say NO DOGS and NO HORSES beyond these signs. Next year, we'll have some permanent signs.
- Riding in the barn is NOT allowed.
- Dogs can only be in camping areas and must be on leash at all times. They can be exercised in the big fields in front of the Event Center off leash.
- Radios will be on channel 1. If there needs to be a change, an announcement will be made that "It's time for a change." This means to switch to channel 5.
- Vendors are sold out. Good work Kathy.
- The fairgrounds staff is down. It's really important to let Karissa or Candi or Anne deal with the maintenance staff. If it's something we can fix, we will try to do that.
- Phil suggested asking people who have served in the armed forces to stand up and be recognized on Armed Services Day.
- Camping signs to go in vehicles may be picked up from Karren in the main office.
- Athletes must have numbers on when they are riding. They may be on duct tape, but please make it visible.
- Arenas will generally be open around 5:30 - 6:30 each morning, though it will depend on which arenas are getting worked.
- Please wear your State Board name tags.
- Remember to wear the right color shirts:
  - Thursday – Green (Thanks to Donna for these!)
  - Friday – Red
  - Saturday - Pink

## **Matt and Cattle Events**

- Matt has been in the hospital and will be out tomorrow, but under doctor's orders, cannot DO anything, can only give directions. He has help, but we'll need to have a few more people around to step up if necessary.

## **Warm-up Issues**

- The jumping issue was resolved by email. See Karissa's and Karen's responses to the concern expressed by a coach about not allowing trainers into the arenas
- Warm-up equipment may be set up on the grounds with permission from main office, so remind your athletes that they must ask for permission at the main office. And, if one

team sets up equipment in an arena, they must share it with any other athletes in the arena. It was decided that District Chairs may give permission, as long as they notify the office so an announcement can be made letting others know that certain equipment is set up.

## Other

- Chris asked if we could agree not to start early. The consensus was that we won't start more than 30 minutes early, except for dressage, jumping, and drill. Warm-up time really can't be compromised for those events.
  - If there is a conflict, announce it on radios so all district chairs can hear and work it out. We only need to switch one rider from some other district with the rider who has a conflict. We don't have to switch the entire districts around.
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## Friday May 18

**Present:** Denise John (W), Mandi Hanson, Troy Hanson (SV), Val Hackett, Peggy Smith (S), Donna Espelien, Scott Chauncey (NW), Glen Sparkman (TRV), Teresa Hoffman, Don Pack (NV), Chris Dinsmore (NE), Pam Steinke, Lani Wyman (C), Candi Bothum (State Chair), Karissa Dishon (Vice Chair), Debi Ferrer (Secretary)

### General Announcements

- Tell all athletes that if the tractor comes to work the arena, they MUST get out.
- Make sure volunteers are at correct place at the correct time.

### Team Contributor Award

- Scott explained that there is a problem with the way the Points Program calculates the Team Contributor Award. Alternates get points, even if they don't ride in the actual event. Conceivably, they could get points and win this award, even if they didn't actually ride in the events.
  - Denise moved that points only be awarded to athletes who actually participate in an event (not alternates who don't ride, or team members who are replaced by an alternate). Don seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
  - Scott said he needs to have District Chairs let him know if an alternate is listed and not riding in various events.
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## **Saturday May 19 – Stewardship Meeting**

**Present:** Mandi Hanson (SV), Donna Espelien, Scott Chauncey (NW), Chris Dinsmore (NE), Lani Wyman, Anne Geser, Pam Steinke (C), Karissa Dishon (Vice Chair), Candi Bothum (State Chair), Don Pack, Teresa Hoffman (NV), Glen Sparkman (TRV), Wendy Bernards, Denise John (W), Peggy Smith (S), Debi Ferrer (Secretary)

A team showed up to go in for IHOR, but their fourth member didn't show up. It is the same team on which a young man fell during Grand Entry and had to pull out of Team Penning. The fourth IHOR team member was mad at being pulled out of Team Penning, so just didn't show up for IHOR.

According to our rules, alternates must be declared at least one hour prior to the first event at the State Meet. However, at the State Board Work Session last fall, we decided that the new Points Program will accommodate later changes, so we have been allowing changes up until the start of the event. However, in this case, the event had already started when the team realized their fourth member was not going to show.

Peggy said we shouldn't allow one rider to sabotage the rest of the team.

Denise moved to allow this team to add an alternate now, even though the event has already started. The motion was seconded. Vote: 11 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstentions.

We discussed some consequences for this athlete. Possibilities could be no points for individual events so far; no letter from the school. Candi will follow up and talk to the athlete and the parents.