

NORTH VALLEY OHSET DISTRICT MEETING – NOVEMBER 19, 2015

Meeting Called to Order 6:35pm by District Chair Michelle Michelsen.

Schools in attendance (see attached sign in sheet):

Amity	Newberg	Sherwood
Canby	North Marion	Yamhill-Carlton
Dallas	Perrydale	Silverton
McMinnville		

There were no prior meeting minutes to be read.

Treasurer's Report:

Harvey Prudhomme, treasurer, presented an estimated budget based on a total of 130 riders that should register this year and costs from last year. Currently we have had 108 registered riders with a couple of teams still needing to complete registration.

Current balance right at \$5000.

No outstanding checks.

Security at the Salem meets is not in the budget but will be added. Harvey will check on pricing and get back to us at the next meeting.

Check signers have changed along with our district leadership. A motion was made, seconded, and approved 12-0 to add our district chair (M. Michelsen) and vice-chair (D. Fettig) as signers on the account. A second motion was made, seconded, and approved 12-0 for Harvey to remain as a signer also.

With the new district leadership an audit of the district account needs to be completed. Elaine Grimps volunteered to audit the Quickbooks file and will be in touch with Harvey this month.

Meeting agenda:

- 1) Sign-in process and voting – please initial the sign in sheet when in attendance. Only one vote per school team coach/advisor (check who is voting) and one vote per student representative from each team.
- 2) Registrations – Please do not assign rider numbers to your team. Leave that up to our district registrar (Kari Salzberg). Please contact her with any special requests on rider numbers.
- 3) Payment must be in to the state prior to beginning practices. One school has already been put on notice for practicing prior to payment.
 - a) Coaches and advisors must be current on NSFHS and state training as well. As of the 2016 season there will not be a grace period as more state training days will be given over the summer.
- 4) Co-op – Sheridan High School has rescinded their permission for their OHSET team. The Sheridan riders have asked to be able to co-op with Amity High School as the sponsoring school. A motion was made, seconded, and passed 12-0 to allow this co-op. The district leadership will take the application to the state at the next meeting.

- a) State update on co-ops: The state still prefers to have no co-ops. At the prior state meeting a discussion was held regarding allowing one or two athlete schools to rider for their school and also to team up with another school to do team events that need more than the one rider. The method in which points would be awarded to each school was discussed as well as how to avoid “recruiting” and “super teams”. The discussion was tabled with our input to be taken back to the next state meeting.
- 5) Yamhill County Fairgrounds fair board letter: A copy of the letter from our district leadership was sent via email to the district coaches and advisers. The letter was mailed to the fair board on November 11th. We are on their November meeting agenda which is this Wednesday, the 18th, at 6:30pm at the Yamhill County Fairgrounds.
- 6) NV OHSET by-laws: A copy of the by-laws was read to those in attendance. The following changes were suggested;
 - a) Tenure of elected officers – change the wording to specifically allow officers to be reelected after their two year term.
 - b) Number of votes by youth representatives – currently two votes per team for youth representatives are allowed. Changing this wording to allow for more than one youth representative per team but only one vote.
 - c) Article 6; section G – delete the entire section which pertains to waiting for the state annual meeting to enact any changes.
 - d) An office manager and a judges chair descriptions were read. These positions need to be filled for this current season. (Teresa Hoffman volunteered to be the judges chair in 2017). Possible interested persons were asked to think about it/ask among their teams with appointments hopefully made at the December meeting.
- 7) Each team’s code of conduct is due at this time electronically to Kari Salzberg.
- 8) Arena insurance update: A list of current arenas was read. All teams please send in a list of the arenas you will be using as our list was outdated with duplicates. Each insurance certificate costs money so please be very specific with what arenas you are using.
- 9) Rule books – in an effort to reduce the cost of printing please speak to your teams and try to determine how many rule books are actually needed. Please bring this number to the next meeting. Rule books may also be made available on line.
- 10) Team Accounts – If at all possible running your team account through your school is best.
 - a) Debit card purchasing ability has now been allowed provided you set up the debit card to have no cash access.
 - b) Annual reports must be filed at the end of the season (June 30th at the latest) by each team. A profit and loss statement for that time period sent to the district chair is acceptable.
- 11) As a reminder – teams, district, and state must keep the registration paperwork for a term of 3 years.
- 12) District Playday Fundraiser – November 21st – the events have been sent. There is a need for Easter baskets and plastic eggs for the flag race.
 - a) Rakers are also needed.
- 13) Parades – As stated in the September meeting there is no insurance to cover riding or walking horses in parades. Therefore, this is an absolute no. An incident was discussed as follows:

a) Last year's North Marion coach was asked by two athletes if they could ride in a parade. In writing (a text which was available at the meeting to review) and verbally she told them absolutely not. Over the summer two athletes rode their horses in the Donald Days parade with OHSET and the school names clearly visible. The coach suspended these athletes for the first meet of this season. The athletes appealed to the state level and the coach's ruling was upheld. A letter was read from the two athletes (Z. Harris and S. Walker) stating various complaints about the coach (who is no longer coaching North Marion), how practices were run, and alleged favoritism to other athletes. The letter asked that we reverse the ruling and allow the two athletes to compete in the first meet. Comments were taken then a motion made, seconded, and passed 13 – 0 to uphold the suspension. The district leadership will notify the athletes of the decision in writing.

14) Meet 1 – January 21-24 at Albany Expo Center.

- a) Camping arrangements need to be made directly with the expo center and are filling up.
- b) Stall fees are \$75; shavings are included but the stalls do sit on concrete.
- c) Badges will be used (same as last year) to limit the access directly around the arena entrances.

Upcoming Events:

Coach/Adviser Training

After the annual meeting on Saturday, December 12th, at the Albany Expo Center. The annual meeting begins at 10:30am. Training should begin around 1:00.

AYHC 2016 – Lexington KY. Youth interested can apply to go under OHSET sponsorship. 2-3 sent each year.

Meet 1 – January 21-24 in Albany

Meet 2 – March 1- - 13 Oregon State Expo, Salem

Meet 3 – April 7 – 10 Oregon State Expo, Salem

State OHSET May 12-15 in Redmond.

PNWIC June 17-19 in Moses Lake, WA

2017 Meets

Meet 1 – February 2 – 5 Salem

Meet 2 – March 2 – 5 Salem

Meet 3 – April 6 – 9 Salem

Next meeting will be Monday, December 14th, at 6:30 pm at the Newberg Canine Rehabilitation Center, 2401 E Hancock St Suite B2, Newberg. WE WILL BE DRAWING FOR MEET DUTIES AT THIS MEETING.