

NORTH VALLEY OHSET DISTRICT MEETING – May 23, 2016

Meeting Called to Order 6:33pm by District Chair Michelle Michelsen.

Schools in attendance (see attached sign in sheet):

Amity	Dallas	Newberg	Sherwood
Canby	McMinnville	North Marion	Silverton

**February meeting minutes** – Minutes were read by the district secretary. A motion to approve the minutes from April was made and seconded. The motion passed 11-0.

**Treasurer's Report:** The end of the year numbers are looking good and we expect to be right on budget. For next year: The budgeting numbers will be changed to match up with the meet by meet expenses. Some district needs:

Tires for the equipment trailer – A motion was made by Newberg and seconded by Sherwood to approve up to \$900 for new tires and for the bearings and brakes to be checked on the trailer. The motion passed 11-0.

A new dressage court is needed. David Holland has volunteered to do the stakes. Deann Fettig will coordinate putting together the rest of the dressage court. The needs are about 600 feet of chain, PVC covers for the stakes, cones, and letters. If you have a possibility of a donation/know of one of these items that Deann is looking for please contact her directly. Sherwood made a motion and Amity seconded the motion to spend up to \$1000 to set up a new dressage court. The motion passed 12-0. Elaine Grimps offered to act in the capacity of assistant treasurer and will carry Harvey's reports to the district meetings next year on the nights that Harvey cannot attend.

Meeting agenda:

**State Meet Summary:**

1. The meet ran very late overall on all events. The overall impression was that the meet was unorganized and there was a lack of communication throughout the meet.
  - a. One suggestion to help with the communication was to make sure the announcements were reaching the barns as well. Sometimes the speakers were turned on in the barns and sometimes they were not.
2. There was a lot of feedback regarding the huge discrepancies in the judges scoring during the events. There was a very wide range between the judges and how they were scoring the athletes on the same elements in the patterns.
3. Some horses also seem to have come home from the state meet with a respiratory infection. If you horse did come down and is/or was sick following the state meet, and you believe this infection may be linked to the state meet, please let the district (Michele) know via email.

**Year End District Awards Banquet** will be held at Newberg High School on Tuesday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30pm.

For food:

- Amity/McMinnville – Vegetable
- Canby/Newberg/North Marion – Salad
- Dallas – Desert
- Yamhill-Carlton – Fruit
- Perrydale/Sherwood/Silverton – Main Dish

**PNWIC** – If you are regionally qualified please remember that you **MUST** have a health certificate to cross the Washington border and to get into the facility. After checking with PNWIC it was determined that a Coggins test **IS NOT** needed.

All spots for PNWIC from our district are now committed. Kari will be contacting athletes if an alternate is needed. If your school's athlete is dropping out of the meet please let Kari know as soon as possible.

Regional meet jobs were not available at this meeting.

Costs:

Camping - \$30/night on site. (You can stay Monday night for \$30 and an additional stall cost of \$16) \$100/athlete which includes one stall and two bales of shavings.

Stalls must be stripped clean when you leave or you can choose to pay \$15 per stall.

Additional stalls are \$100 each.

Don't forget to get the health certificate to travel into the state of Washington.

Our district leadership strongly feels that the regional meet is not equitable to our Oregon athletes. The costs of the competition is higher due to the health certificate fees, the additional facility fees, and adding on sales tax to those costs. It was also discussed that the patterns are easier than what we did at the district level and that fewer of our top qualifying athletes are attending due to the traveling, timing, and added expenses of this meet. It was expressed that the additional costs are a hardship expense for some athletes and they are choosing not to go.

**New Officer Elections** – The floor was opened for any district member to express interest in the officer positions for the North Valley District. Teresa Hoffman expressed a desire to be the judges chair (currently vacant). Chair Michele Michelesen appointed her to this position. No interest was expressed in any of the other currently held positions. Each currently elected officer confirmed they are willing to remain in their position for the 2016 – 2017 season. The North Valley District Officers will remain the same as Michele Michelsen, Chair; Deann Fettig, Vice-Chair; Kari Salzberg, Points; Harvey Prudhomme, Treasurer; and Reba Stoller, Secretary.

**Scholarships** – Our state scholarship winner was Angeline Starrs from Silverton. Two more scholarship winners from our district will be announced at the year-end awards banquet tomorrow night.

**Coaches training** for this year will be October 8 in Roseburg and November 12<sup>th</sup> in The Dalles. Any new advisor and/or coach MUST attend one of these trainings.

Upcoming Events:

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 September 19, at 6:30 pm at the Newberg Canine Rehabilitation Center, 2401 E Hancock St Suite B2, Newberg.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:34pm.