

NORTH VALLEY OHSET DISTRICT MEETING – SEPTEMBER 14, 2015

Meeting Called to Order 6:36pm by District Chair Michelle Michelsen.

Schools in attendance:

Amity	McMinnville	Sheridan
Canby	Newberg	Sherwood
Dallas	North Marion (potential)	Yamhill-Carlton

Introductions were made. Also in attendance was Scott Chauncey, State OHSET Vice Chair.

There were no prior meeting minutes to be read.

Treasurer's Report:

Teresa Hoffman read the report in Harvey Prudhomme's absence.

Current balance right at \$5000.

Outstanding checks approximately \$2000.

Leaves a net balance of \$3000; considerably down due to not having income from the Salem meet stalls and having to pay higher rates at the Yamhill County Fairgrounds.

The \$4000 deposit to the Linn County Fairgrounds for meet #1 has been paid and cleared.

Deposits for the two additional meets are still awaiting decisions on where to hold the meets.

Meeting agenda:

Scholarship winners: Brittney Scott and Molly Fettig will be paid in their second term of school.

1. Committee/Volunteer Opportunities:

Office help needed at meets. Basic office skills needed; as in filing and photocopying and answering questions.

Suggestion to set up shifts and districts are asked to see if any parent/grandparent would like to fill a shift. Two possible volunteers were identified.

Equipment Trailer Load/Unload – This will be added as a job duty for meets.

Maintain and Update the NV OHSET District Website – It has been a couple of years since it has been updated. Looking for a tech savvy person/student to help with that. The program the website is built from will be identified and brought to the next meeting to help with locating a volunteer able to do this for the district.

2. Team Accounts – If your team account is not run through your school then please do the following:

- a. Absolutely no debit card purchasing ability
- b. Must have 2 signers. It is recommended one writes the check and the other signs.
- c. Limit reimbursements and do not use the account for any personal purchases.
- d. Keep receipts. There is an accounting that must be turned in at the end of the year so that the OHSET state organization can keep the non profit status.

- e. It is highly recommended that team accounts are run through the school as these precautions are already in place there.
3. District Awards – Teresa Hoffman will take over the district awards for this year.
4. Parades – There is no insurance to cover riding or walking horses in parades. Therefore, this is an absolute no. Student athletes may represent OHSET in a parade as long as a horse is not brought to the parade.
5. Athlete insurance is no longer available through OHSET. Personal or school insurance are the two options available to athletes.
6. Re-districting
 - a. We are the largest district in the state. Our meets do run longer and have larger classes than the other districts. We have outgrown the facilities that we used last year as shown by the lack of tack and feed stalls available in the barn for teams.
 - b. Two teams were discussed as possible re-districting options. Canby, being the largest and an outlying team, and Yamhill-Carlton, who was a large team last year and had asked to transition to a district with more local meets to make it easier on parents/students as their team mainly consists of cattle and gamers who haul in for the day.
 - c. Both teams representatives were given time to voice their thoughts and team positions on leaving the district. Both team representatives expressed a desire to stay but would accept and district/state decision.
 - d. A voting decision was postponed to the end of the meet after a decision on location would be made as a prospective location is large enough for the entire district.
7. Facilities Discussion
 - a. We are already set with a deposit paid for the Albany facility for meet #1 on January 21-24. That decision had to be made by July.
 - b. There are two options for the second and third meets. A summary sheet on costs was provided for each facility; McMinnville and Salem.
 - c. McMinnville –
 - i. We will be charged for five days of stall use (Wednesday through Sunday) at a cost to the district of \$75. Athletes will be charged \$75 per stall.
 - ii. There is to be no food in the barns, in tents outside the barns, or in tents at individual trailer sites.
 - iii. If a team would like to setup a tent for team meals they are expected to pay for a second camping space to do so.
 - iv. There is to be no food from outside brought into the arena (as in Subway, etc). The district teams are asked to use the concession stand for their food inside the arena (including food for judges) and the district leadership is expected to enforce this new rule.
 - v. In terms of cost the arena and office rental is cheaper for the district as they give a youth discount but the district pays more for the stalls. So the district is out all the costs for facility and the judges.

- d. Salem –
 - i. Extensive work was done on the two arenas. No motor sports will be done in these two arenas now. However, the possibility of a warmup arena is out as that area used in the past is now a semi-permanent motor sports track.
 - ii. The arena and office rental is more expensive (no youth discount) however we are charged for three days of stalls at a cost of \$45 per stall and will keep the stall fee at \$75 for each athlete. This allows the district some extra income from stall rental fees to pay for the judges and arena rental thus actually creating a credit in our account. (In other words, the stall costs will cover the arena and judge fees and add about \$400 back into the account. So the district is not out any money).
 - iii. Food is allowed in the barns and this facility has enough stalls for all current athletes plus tack and feed.
 - iv. Athletes would have to bring their own shavings and clean their own stalls at Salem (contract with the 4-H group is possible to clean stalls for you). This was a motion approval item to save the district an additional \$1370 in shavings cost. The motion was presented by Canby and seconded by Sheridan. It passed 9 votes yes to 0 votes no.
 - e. Based on this information Canby presented a motion to choose to contract with Salem for meets two and three. Sheridan seconded the motion. The motion was passed with a vote of 9 yes and 0 no. Meet #2 will be in Salem at the State Fairgrounds (pending contract approval) on March 10 – 13th. Meet #3 will be in Salem at the State Fairgrounds (pending contract approval) on April 7th – 10th.
 - f. With moving to Salem there is enough room at that venue for all current teams to remain in the district. Both Canby and Yamhill-Carlton expressed a desire to remain in the North Valley District. Canby made a motion to not do any redistricting this year. Sheridan seconded that motion. The motion passed with a vote of 9 yes to 0 no.
8. 2015-2016 Fees increases – per April meeting Athlete Registration fee has been increased to \$250 (still one of lowest in state). Judges fees increased to \$100 0-4 hours (up from \$75), \$200 4-8 hours (up from \$150), and \$275 8-12 hours (up from \$200). For judges anything over a 12 hour day will be negotiated.
9. Registrations for teams will be due at the October 19th meeting in order to practice November 1st.
10. District Playday Fundraiser – Held at the Yamhill County Fairgrounds on November 21st. Cost per person is \$35. Events will be holiday themed and timed events only. Suggestions included using a pine tree to pick a candycane off of at the arena end and pole bending cornstalks. Suggestions should be sent to Teresa Hoffman who is spearheading this effort. Sheridan presented a motion to approve this playday. Dallas seconded it. The motion passed 9 yes votes to 0 no votes. Please promote this among your teams.

- a. Canby is also having a playday as a fundraiser on Halloween. Six timed events with five age classes. Registration due October 26th. Forms available on Canby OHSET Facebook page.

11. Coach/Adviser Training

- a. Saturday October 17th in Redmond at the fairgrounds, South Sister Building, at 9:30am.
- b. After the annual meeting on Saturday, December 12th, location to be announced (most likely Roseburg). The annual meeting begins at 10:30am.

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

13. Calendar

- a. Meet 1 – January 21-24 in Albany
- b. Meets 2 & 3 – pending contract approval with Salem Fairgrounds. Tentative confirmation as second weekends in March and April.
- c. State OHSET May 12-15 in Redmond.
- d. PNWIC June 17-19 in Moses Lake, WA

14. Next meeting will be Monday, October 19th, at 6:30 pm at the Newberg Canine Rehabilitation Center, 2401 E Hancock St Suite B2, Newberg.