

November 1, 2016 minutes

Members present: Roberta, Lee Ann, Pam Rhodes, Tamara, Robin Grain, Diane, Erin, and Christina

Meeting called to order 6:09

Approval for October minutes - Robin motioned, Christina second, minutes passed.

Treasurer report - Budget was handed out for approval. Discussion ensued concerning matching categories however some categories cross 2 fiscal years. Christina motioned to approve the budget with Pam second, motion carried.

Membership - Christina to go forward with directory. Discussion followed regarding prices of ads, Tamara moved to increase prices of ads to a full page ad costing \$60, half page costing \$40, and a business card to cost \$25. To place a name in the trainer listing will remain \$10, all who purchase ads will get a free listing in the trainer list. Pam second the motion, none opposed - motioned carried. Further discussion regarding decreasing cost of directories to include only mailing one directory per address. People will not be allowed to pick up directories for other people without signing for it. If extras are available may possibly sell them at AGM. Cut off date to place ad is 12/10/16 with suggestion for Jeanie Eaton to send out email blast, as well as another email blast for early renewal membership. The registration form for the AGM is to go in the December/January newsletter.

Lee Tubman budget - The number of expected auditors was reduced with the suggestion of increasing the price of each ride to \$200. This will include the price of the stall without shavings. This change ensures that the clinician fee is covered to avoid any subsidizing for the riders. The auditor price was decreased to \$30/day or \$50/weekend, the non-member price is to be \$55 and \$95 respectively. The show title is ODS Jumpstart into the Show Season with the name of the workshop being Training and Showing strategies to improve test rides - workshop with Lee Tubman. Show exhibitors will have the first priority. If there are not enough people then will open the clinic spots to people who haven't shown but are interested in riding in clinic. For those who want to ride but not show, the closing day will be one day after the closing day for the show. Suggestions were made for a Friday night meet and greet, posting a listing of those who are riding in the clinic for auditors, and suggestions for a VIP table and seats to auditors who sign up first. For future educational events, Christina is auditing a hunter/jumper sports psychologist clinic and may see if he will work with dressage riders and will compare fees for other psychologists. Dr. Depaolo was again suggested.

In review of past 2008 ODS minutes, the minutes regarding the code of ethics are missing, and ODS cannot officially state if the code of ethics were approved or formalized by the membership. The board is now presenting this information to the membership however sections will need to be added as well as ensuring the policies and procedures and bylaws correctly reference each other. The board will approve the policies and procedures. Any amendments to the bylaws will have to be approved by the membership. An insurance and finance statement will need to be added to the by-laws, then the specifics will be outlined in the P and Ps. Robin motioned for a special meeting to go over the bylaws with Diane seconding, meeting set at Monday November 14th at 6PM, motion carried. Tamara motioned to re-imburse Roberta for the copies and notebooks that were given to board members, Robin second, motion carried.

Old business:

The ODS trailer has been fixed and is ready for Amanda to pick up.

The board is still asking for a representative to the convention in St. Louis.

The nominating committee will be stating in the newsletter which positions on the board will be up opening up.

Lee Ann is stepping down from the newsletter and will be looking for people to continue on with the newsletter.

Diane asking for nominations for volunteer of the year.

Discussions also followed regarding cut off dates for ODS vs. chapter schooling show awards.

The tack store that gave us the halter last year for horse of the year award will be given free ad space in the directory.

Rainee has the current volunteer of the year award.

Approval for July minutes have been tabled for November in light of other meetings.

Diane was given permission to start shopping for awards

Diane motioned for meeting to adjourn with Roberta as second, meeting adjourned at 9:05.