

Tuesday, October 11, 2016 7:44 PM

October meeting 10/11/16H

Members present Christina, Erin, Roberta, Robin, Pam Rhodes, Diane, Amanda, Pamela entered meeting at 8:11

Meeting called to order at 8:04

Changes to August minutes: Year and people present for meeting to be added. At Allen paragraph, all chapters must be in compliance with ODS the bylaws are the same as ODS, policy and procedure must be in compliance with ODS, add new form for membership was accepted by board members. Amanda motioned to accept minutes with changes, Robin seconded motion. Minutes passed with the changes.

Treasurer report:

Roberta mentioned that ODS has purchased a stall for hospitality in the past however this year did not do a stall but set out tables with display area, hospitality items, and information for the April and May shows. Roberta proposed ODS putting 100\$ towards goodies to be set out as opposed to the \$175 for the stalls, Amanda made the motion to reimburse the amount of the stall cost, Robin seconded. Motion carried.

Membership report:

Christina reached out to members who had not renewed their membership, two had sent in checks but were never cashed. Christina is going to send out confirmation emails when membership is received and also wants to send out welcome packets. Discussions also ensued regarding members who may not feel welcome. Christina is going to get with Tamara on her previous welcoming packets and is already receiving memberships for 2017. Discussions regarding getting information out on the directory which will need to be sent out soon.

Education report:

Pamela sent email to Jenny Susser however has not heard back. Diane sent a list of possible people for education, for next meeting will be sending out list for board to consider. Discussions regarding Lee Tubman clinic and that if not educational then we cannot apply for grants. A workshop format was suggested in which there would be a 15min discussion period with the auditors following a ride. This is to help auditors know that they will also be talked to as well while riders will be able to work on what they need to as opposed to the pre-determined lesson from the symposium format. A lunch lecture was also suggested. Lee is going to buy his airplane ticket. Robin will be discussing show with Anne who is going to send checklist for organizing show to get everything started.

Trailer:

Marilyn currently has the ODS trailer on her property. Discussions followed regarding possible maintenance work that the trailer will need to have done. Concerns regarding unloading the trailer prior to working on it were discussed, was confirmed that the trailer and it's contents are insured.

May show - No new news to report from Roberta. Amanda reported that Hub international will not be sponsoring the exhibitors party and the show may need other ideas for sponsorship. Kenny who owns American Therapeutic Riding Center and Pam Rhodes who runs the program Bit by Bit were suggested. Exhibitor's party cost approximately 1000 dollars last year, Horse of Course paid 300 and Hub was supposed to pay 700. Horse of Course may be another possibility for 2017 with possibly splitting the 700 between the two therapeutic riding programs who would do a demonstration at some time. The musical freestyles were during party last year, may do demonstration at lunch. Roberta stated combining the

two and putting the therapeutic riding last would possibly allow the freestyle riders to participate in the party.

Audit report:

Allen is currently busy at the moment and still figuring out documents needed for auditing. The majority of our problems is in our policies and procedures in that we do not have clear directives for our chapters. ODS needs to improve our policies and procedures and then expect the chapters to fall into compliance. Roberta would like everything to get rolling by Oct. 31st. Concerns were brought up that an advertisement was placed by a chapter that clearly stated at the top it was part of an LLC for a 2017 event. However this is legal as they have removed the chapter part and now running the show through the LLC. Concern exists if members still think it's part of the chapter and that board members still serve on both the board of the chapter and LLC. Stacia will be sole owner of LLC and will be submitting bids to operate shows at cost for Great Plains Chapter as the LLC can offer shows independently from the chapter. Other concerns that the name of the LLC is too closely related with Chapter, idea suggested that we ask the chapter to change their name. The problem occurs if members write checks to the chapter but then they are deposited in the LLC. It was proposed to hire attorney to assist with conflict of interest and with policies and procedures, however will need to come up with a plan to present to lawyer as a lawyer will continue to charge if we continue to change things. We do not currently have a conflict of interest statement.

AGM: Per Amanda, it is booked in January 21st, does not have menu currently, needs to get registration form out.

Education: As per previous discussion. Will also start planning for 2018, possibly spring and fall, however fall runs into championships, Nationals now 2nd weekend in November

Round the table -

Chapter update - Jenna is president of NCC and needs to be contacted instead of Rainee, most recent update is an activity every month. The junior camp was canceled for GCC event, instead will be hosting schooling show with clinic following and the show will have time for feedback. Aaron Wilson is doing clinic at Bit by Bit, not necessarily through GCC. GPC did not send update. Suggestions made that maybe we need more competitions who offer classes for riders with challenges.

Christina made motion to adjourn, Amanda second, all in favor, meeting adjourned at 09:15.