

NSHA Board Meeting Jan, 5th 2024 – Thea Williams' house

Call to order: Todd Van Duinen at 11:20

Present: Todd Van Duinen, Pat Van Duinen, Thea Williams, Rachael Rosenthal, Amanda Wright-Gates, Rocki Battrick

Old Business:

- Recently purchased for the club:
 1. New Laptop for Tina
 2. Storage space
 3. New organizer bins
- Judges for 2024:
 - Judges for March and November shows have been confirmed. Mark Kuhlwine will do either April or May, Terri Dyson-Wirthlin also willing to judge this year.
 - Amanda will reach out to Sam's Town regarding a discount.
- Next year every show will be audited by the committee when it happens, instead of waiting until the end of the year.
- Year End Awards:
 - unsure about the legality/tax implications for giving out year-end cash awards.
 - Rachael Rosenthal will compile the list of horse/rider year end placings for the plaques
 - Amanda Wright-Gates will create the templates for the plaques and send them to the trophy place
 - Thea Williams will order the buckles
 - Rocki Battrick will compile the big year end awards
 - Pat Van Duinen will create a 2024 budget in order to figure out a budget for year end awards.
 - Thea Williams will find nice prizes equal to the projected cash awards to avoid legal mishaps with the handing out of cash
 - Todd Van Duinen will call Via Brazil, Dean's Place and also reach out to some of his contacts about a place to hold the year-end awards banquet
 - Combine the Arabian/Half Arabian awards
- There will be no western dressage classes offered in 2024 due to insufficient volunteers. 2025 is still a possibility, providing volunteers can be found.

New Business:

- The website
 - Sheryl Schmalz is our new webmistress
 - Webmistress will receive volunteer hours for her work
 - There will be position specific emails for each board member that will stay with the position, not the specific board member
 - Make a digital master form file
 - add Volunteer hour sign ups on the website
 - add membership sign ups on the website
- Sheryl's husband will be barn manager for 2024.
 - 200.00, 2 stalls and free dry hookup for RV.
- Todd van Duinen will be show manager in addition to ring steward. Amanda Wright Gates and Thea Williams will assist when needed.
- Office helper will be volunteer hours and free lunch.
 - Amanda Wright-Gates will show Thea Williams how to navigate horseshowtime

DISCUSSION:

- Redefining what a "Member in good standing" is:
 - Someone who is caught up on dues.
 - Someone who has attended at least 50% of the meetings.
 - Someone who has either volunteered or shown in the current year.
 - Only members in good standing are allowed to sit on committees.
 - Ability to change bylaws during the year if a situation warrants it.

Next Meeting: BJs Brewhouse at 6PM January 31

Motion to Adjourn: 1:56PM by Thea Williams, Seconded by Todd Van Duinen.

NSHA V General Membership Meeting 1/31/24 @BJs Brewhouse

1. Call To Order: By Amanda Wright-Gates at 6:10

2. Roll Call: Rachael Rosenthal, Bonny Koffler, Jessica O’Neal, Ty O’Neal, Ryan O’Neal, Diana Fleek, Christine Burbank, Marta Newman, Sheryl Schmalz, Rick Schmalz, Kristin Kidney, Madeline Klingman, Mikayla Johnson, Matthew Johnson, Ashley DeRosier, Jeff Davey, Amy Davey, Kendra Hose, Mike Reidhead, Janet Reidhead, Elizabeth Beers, Dania Spor-Orellana, Debbie David, Ira David, Eric Coons, Pat Van Duinen, Jodi Sterling, Rocki Battrick, Kathy Obenhaus, Leslie Browder, Carson Gates, Jolene Gates, Jack Gates

3. Brags and Celebrations: None

4. Secretary’s Report: Read by secretary Rachael Rosenthal. Amanda Wright-Gates motioned for approval. Seconded by Eric Coons

5. Treasurer’s Report: Read by treasurer Pat van Duinen.

* Balance at the last meeting was \$22,235.90 including \$4383 in the youth fund. Expenses were \$132.86 leaving us with a combined balance of \$22,367.76

* Bonny Koffler motioned to accept the treasurer’s report with a second by Kristin Kidney

6. Reports from Officers, board of directors and special/standing committees:

* Sunshine Committee: None

* Show Committee: We have the following judges booked for the 2024 show season:

March: Sherri Odom

April: Tammie Whitt

May: Gina Cunningham

Sept: Cindy Weight-Carter

Oct: TBD

Nov: Steve Bryson

- Show committee will need to meet ASAP to finalize show premium edits before posting

- We still have a few volunteer positions available for the March show, especially that of “office helper”

* Youth Group Chair: Amanda Wright-Gates – to be discussed during “New Business”

7. Unfinished/Old Business:

* Year End Banquet discussion:

- Possibility of having it March 17th after the show

- Possibly at either Horseman’s Park or Dean’s Place

* NSHA meetings to be held the third Wednesday of every month at Marie Calendar’s

Sahara/Cimarron @6PM. Rachael Rosenthal motioned to accept, Sheryl Schmalz seconded.

8. New Business:

* The future of the youth group:

Discussion

- The scholarship participation has been low the last few years. Only 2 year-end awardees in 2023 and 4 in 2022. Is there a way to make it less complicated?
- can we use the youth funds to hold things like Pizza parties, SMS clinics...
- how to make it fun for the entire age range?
- youth group meet ups with local trainers to have clinics/check ins/learning fun days once a month (Sheryl and Rick Schmalz offered to host)
- Offer more classes that are fun for the kids/Ice cream socials/fun classes during lunch break
- Create a Jr. Judging team
- Scholarship program modeled after the NSBA program
- Plans were made to create a youth committee consisting of Eric Coons, Dania Spoor-Orellana, Mikayla Johnson, Madeline Clingman, Amanda Wright-Gates.

*AEC – new management company for Horseman’s Park

- Multiple members expressed concerns about the new company.
- Company is currently on a one-year contract
- Anything done by NSHA regarding the future of the company will be voted on by membership

9. Other:

* Next meeting will be held February 21st at Marie Calendar’s on Sahara/Cimarron at 6PM

10. Motion to Adjourn: Rick Schmalz motioned to adjourn at 7:22 with Bonny Koffler seconding the motion.

Show committee meeting @Dean's Place 2/15/24

Call Meeting to Order: Amanda Wright Gates 4:20PM

Roll Call: Amanda Wright Gates, Jessica O'Neal, Rachael Rosenthal, Pam Kaiser, Eric Coons, Kristin Kidney, Rocki Battrick, Thea Williams

Minutes: First Show committee meeting of 2024, no minutes to read.

Old Business:

- 2024 premium
 - Premium to be posted with class list, fee schedule and show rules
 - Some small typos to be fixed, Amanda and Thea will go over them

New Business:

- New park management changes
 - Stalls will be 15.00 plus 2 bales of shavings at 11.25 each for a total of 37.50. subsequent days and tack stalls 15.00
 - Amanda and Todd will meet with Bert from AEC management on Tues to find out the details of all of the new services/rules
 - Parking will be in large lot behind the grassy area for the main arena.
- Trophy/Buckle series
 - Switching to nice daily high point awards for spring shows instead of a trophy series, as spring shows are historically much smaller, and the club loses money on them. Motion made by Kristin Kidney and Seconded by Jessica O'Neal
 - Adding a reserve award to all of the daily high point categories. Motion made by Thea Williams and Seconded by Eric Coons
 - Discussion on requiring 4 shows for year end awards instead of 3.
- Volunteers – Still need in-gate for PM
- Show audit committee: Will enter and audit placings every show. Amanda has already created a spreadsheet to enter in the placings.

Other: None

Next Show Committee Meeting: March 6th 4:00 PM Dean's Place

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn at 7:03 by Amanda Wright Gates, Seconded by Rachael Rosenthal

General Membership Meeting @ Marie Calendar's 2/21/24

1. Call the meeting to order: Todd Van Duinen called the meeting to order at 6:05PM

2. Roll Call: Sheryl Schmalz, Rick Schmalz, Mikayla Johnson, Ashley DeRosier, Aaliyah De Rosier, Jessica O'Neal, Ty O'Neal, Debbie David, Ira David, Elizabeth Beers, Rachael Rosenthal, Todd Van Duinen, Pat Van Duinen, Amanda Wright-Gates, Kristin Kidney, Marta Newman, Christine Burbank, Janet Reidhead, Mike Reidhead, Kathy Obenhaus, Leslie Browder, Val Porter

3. Brags and Celebrations: Congrats to the board for doing a good job while Todd was out of the country for a month! Sheryl Schmalz doing an amazing job on the new website

4. Secretary's Report: read by Rachael Rosenthal Motion to accept by Sheryl Schmalz, Seconded by Debbie David

5. Treasurer's Report: Read by Pat Van Duinen
Starting Balance: \$22, 367.76 including \$4383.00
Membership fee deposits for 2024: \$1910.55
Expenses: \$500 down payment for trophies, \$1191.94 American Silver Smiths, \$67.50 to Safe Place Storage, \$40 PayPal fees, for a total of \$1799.44
Current balance is: \$22,587.77
Motion to accept by Sheryl Schmalz, Seconded by Kristin Kidney

6. Reports from Officers, Board of Directors, and/or special and standing committees:

- Sunshine Committee: None
- Show Committee:
 - The new premium is going through final revision and should be posted very soon.
 - Youth Classes now 5.00
 - No outside shavings allowed at horseman's park.
 - Parking for the main arena is in the big lot behind the grassy area.
 - Will try to have parking near your stall if you have one.
- Youth Committee:
 - Youth Committee will have its first meeting 4PM Friday March 8th at Ed Fountain Park
 - Lots of cool things planned for 2024.
 - During lunch at the March Horse show there will be a youth boot scramble for a 25.00 show credit

7. Old Business:

- Bylaw Changes for 2024:
 - 3 changes: Miniature horse/mule/donkey/pony now 46" and under, Western horses can be ridden in a snaffle in W/J classes, specify horse and rider combination cannot cross enter between W/T/J and canter classes.
- Year End Banquet:
 - March 24 at 2PM probably at Dean's place with a price point of around 35.00
 - Buckles are currently in production at Molly's.

8. New Business:

- Bylaw Committee for 2024/2025 to be headed up by Thea Williams and Jessica O'Neal
 - Please see a board member, Thea or Jessica if you'd like to be involved.
- AEC Management
 - Just a request to give them a chance. Don't believe rumors and work together as a team. Try to be kind. If there are any complaints or suggestions, bring them to the board and they will be passed along to AEC.
 - No Vendor licenses will be required. Start second-hand tack/clothing sale and giveaway rack?
 - Going back to 1 day shows, club will not be charged for Sundays and will not lose future dates by going to one day shows.

9. Other: None

10. Next Meeting: Next General Membership meeting is at Marie Calendar's on 3/20/24

11. Motion to Adjourn: Motion at 7:08 by Janet Reidhead. Seconded by Elizabeth Beers