



NORTHERN MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION
OF WESTERN HORSE CLUBS

Minutes 8/17/2005

Pam Gilberts home, Interlochen, MI

Meeting convened: 7:38 p.m.

Previous Minutes: No report at this time.

Treasury: Motion by Stephanie, 2nd by Jeff, approved by all

Present: Pam, Jada, Jeff, Sarah, Mike, Stephanie, Nicole, and Danielle

Special Guests: Vicky and Kelly Waligorski

Absent: Annelise, Stevie (excused)

Topics:

➤ **Year-end Activities**

1. Elections:

- a. Nominations forms will go out in the August Newsletter to be received back in mid to late September.
- b. Jada will call nominees for acceptance.
- c. Pam will prepare final ballot to be sent out in an upcoming Newsletter.

2. Banquet:

- a. The place:
 - i. Mike will check on availability and pricing with the Windmill.
 - ii. Sarah will check on availability and pricing with Crystal Mountain.
 - iii. Prices were received from Boone's.
- b. The date:
 - i. Suggestion was made by Sarah to hold the banquet in November prior to the holiday season. This is under consideration.
 - ii. Saturday vs. Sunday was discussed and will be considered as an option when checking for availability.
- c. Activities:
 - i. It was agreed that we would like to hold a silent auction again at the banquet.

ii. Pam and Danielle will do the agenda.

3. Awards:

- a. Buckles will continue to be given for high point. Prices were communicated and approved.
 - i. Sarah will order the buckles.
- b. Sponsorships will be accepted again this year. Mike will lead the quest for sponsors.
- c. It was suggested that the club give gift cards this year for the majority of the awards. In addition, choice of gift certificate or trophy was suggested.
 - i. Sarah and Jada will check on process for obtaining the gift cards with Michigan stores: Baker's, Millbrook, Morr's, Tom's and Pointer Hill were suggested.
 - ii. Nicole will order the gift cards.
- d. Rookie of the Year Award
 - i. It was suggested that we should do something a little different and consider doing a jacket for the Rookie of the Year award. Nicole made a motion to do the jacket for the Rookie of the Year Award, 2nd by Sarah, approved by all.

➤ **NMAWHC Anna Bays Shows**

1. Thank-you cards will be sent out to those people who helped with the 2005 Anna Bays shows.
2. It was decided that we would host two weekends next year-2006.
 - i. Dates being considered are June 3rd and 4th and August 5th and 6th with an 8:30 a.m. start time.
 - ii. There was a suggestion that we hold Halter classes prior to Showmanship classes.

➤ **Points:**

1. Pam will put a notice to contact Stephanie with name changes, corrections, and any concerns in the next newsletter.

➤ **Autumn Trail Ride**

1. The autumn trail ride previously planned and announced in the Events Book is on hold.

➤ **Web site**

1. Mike is checking with Teresa on the possibility of managing a web site for NMAWHC. The host cost for a website would run \$50.00 per year.

➤ **Membership**

1. The membership fees cover the administrative operational costs of the NMAWHC club and have not been raised in years. Due to the rising costs of postage and paper for our communication; a motion was made by Mike to raise the membership rates as follows: \$20 for youth, \$25 for Adult and \$35 for Family. There was a 2nd by Jeff, 6 years, 1 nay, with motion approved.

2. It was suggested that we offer a lifetime membership award to recognize persons who have contributed to our club over many years. It was decided that we would offer the honor of lifetime membership on an intermittent basis by order of motion to the board followed by board approval. In a secret motion by Nicole our first two inductees into lifetime membership were named, 2nd by Pam, approved by all.

Motion to adjourn at 9:45 by Sarah, 2nd by Stephanie, approved by all.

Next meeting September 28, 2005 at Pam Gilbert's, home, Interlochen, MI

Respectfully submitted by
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NMAWHC Secretary