



**NORTHERN MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION
OF WESTERN HORSE CLUBS**

Board Meeting
Monday, February 1, 2016

Present: Gerianne Street, Hope Ann Smeltzer, Kelly Leonhard, Beth Friend, Cindy Gerou, Cathy Browe, Sandra Stevens, Karen Duell, Megan Ryan-Kessel

Absent: Laura Boynton, Isaac Boyer, Alisa Forton

Location: Casalae Farms; Motion by Smeltzer, Second by Ryan-Kessel to call meeting to order, motion carried. Meeting called to order at 6:35 pm

President's Report: Street reviewed board member commitments and responsibilities with an 'NMAWHC Board Outline'. Street reviewed historical club funds to put current club finances in perspective.

Treasurer's Report: Leonhard recapped bank account information (bank balance \$5,542.46 & scholarship funds \$822.45 as of 2/1/16). Leonhard reviewed a banquet and year-end recap with suggested changes. Motion by Smeltzer, Second by Browe to accept treasurer's report, motion carried.

Secretary's Report:

- *Minutes:*
 - Motion by Gerou, Second by Leonhard to accept 10/26/15 minutes, motion carried.
 - Motion by Browe, Second by Duell to accept 11/14/15 minutes, motion carried.
 - Motion by Smeltzer, Second by Duell to accept 11/23/15 minutes, motion carried.
 - Motion by Ryan-Kessel, Second by Duell to accept 1/13/16 minutes with amendments, motion carried.
- *Next regular meeting:* Monday, March 7 @ 6:30 pm at Casalae Farms.

2015 and 2016 Contracts for Anna Bays:

Discussion about contracts for the Anna Bays' venue and differences between the two years as well as previous years. Motion by Stevens, Second by Ryan-Kessel to clarify 2016 contract with the NW MI fairgrounds and identify all costs, motion carried.

Perfect Pattern Clinic:

Clinician identified and fees discussed, see memo from agenda packet. Motion by Smeltzer, Second by Ryan-Kessel to approve the clinician fees plus fuel costs for a one-day clinic on April 9th with approval for contract to be entered into, motion carried.

Fuzzy Feedback Update:

Update on clinic including clinician secured. Clinician expenses discussed and possible food vendor.

2016 Bylaws, Rules & Regulations and Show Rulebook:

Changes from 2015 ballot have been made. Board reviewed booklet format and authorized moving Point and Award System, Youth Team and Educational Scholarship to the end of the Show Rulebook. Friend will edit 2016 drafts and print.

Educational Scholarship:

Scholarship committee selected: Smeltzer, Stevens, & Leonhard. Committee will review scholarship program and forms, bringing recommendations to board.

Sponsorship:

Sponsorships discussed. Prizes and sponsors discussed. Sponsorship form will be updated.

Anna Bays:

Anna Bays' show bill reviewed including prices and classes. Motion by Smeltzer, Second by Stevens to change the following on the Anna Bays' show bill, motion carried:

- Class prices at \$5 for members, \$6 for non-members
- Sweepstakes and High Point at \$10 each
- Blanket fees at \$110 for members and \$120 for non-members
- Saturday Sweepstakes changed to a Western Pleasure class
- Western Riding updated to Western Reining

Motion by Ryan-Kessel, Second by Gerou to accept the 2016 shows:

- Barn Fundraiser
- Northern District Fair
- Cherry Classic

Items for upcoming board meetings:

- Points Secretary – board position, volunteer, status
- Education Scholarship
- Ribbons for shows

Hearing no objections, meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:30 pm.