**Northwest Gaited Horse Association Board Meeting Minutes**

**DRAFT 1**

**February 12, 2022**

* Members present: Nancy O’Dell, Steve Zobrist, Anne Eades, Steve Harris, Sherry Sullens, Mary and Hank Sjogren, Shannon Thomas, Chris Reznicsek, Tina Dickson
* By mobile: Airisa Durand
* Meeting started: 11:45 am, Albany Sizzler
* Minutes for 1/22/2022 approved
* Treasurer’s report: Presented by Steve Harris. See attachments. Steve Z, and Mary S. moved and approved without objection.
* Old Business:
	+ April Horse Show - Nola Giddings is not available to judge the April show. Instead Nicole Schoppe will be the judge. She is from the Fresno area of California and an experienced gaited horse judge. She will work out her transportation either drive with car rental or airfare. Her fee is $150/day.
	+ Lonnie will announce, Shannon and Mary will work the office
* New Business
	+ Facility details:
		- * The Oregon Horse Center (OHC) required a $500 deposit
			* The outside arena/big arena/ and dome arenas are included for charge of $1850
			* Stalls are $17/day, $34 for two days plus $!7 if come Friday
			* We will charge $70 for Fri-Sun per horse per stall
			* Haul-in stalls will be $35 per horse
			* Bedding is $8.25/bale charge by OHC. We will charge $10/bale. No outside bedding is allowed.
			* Vendors can have a table to sell things, but no catering/food sales
			* Potluck is allowed.
			* RV site reservations are handled online directly with OHC
* Year-end Points & Awards
	+ - To cover the cost of awards, members will be charged $15/horse to be eligible for year-end high point awards
		- Non-members who want to be included, will be charged $40 for one horse to be included, and $15 for additional horses
		- The intent is to encourage membership
* Discussion of the April show
	+ - Country Pleasure does require gait, does not require TWH registration
		- No shoe limitation – judged based on gait, not shoe size
		- All day Pleasure is open only to amateurs
		- Trail Pleasure Classes are open to trainers
* April show participation is expected to be as many as 50-70 horses
* Other gaited groups are promoting the event including: Icelandics, Paso Finos, and Peruvians
* Classes can be adjusted depending on numbers and breeds
* Gaming classes are considered too difficult to include due to equipment and staff to run them
* Trail obstacles will be inventoried and included for classes
* ShowPro software will be used to manage the show, cost of $30/day, or $300 to purchase. The club will not purchase full program at this time only purchase show days..
* Show management will take the responsibility that horses are in proper condition. Members will self-police. Steve Z. will be available to address concerns.
* Future activities
	+ - NWGHA will have a show in June at the McMinnville facility
		- NWGHA will possibly have a show in October back at the OHC, depending on interest
		- NWWHTA (trainers’ group) will have shows in May, June, and September, adjusting class opportunities based on entries from other breeds.
		- State Fair at the end of August/Labor Day will offer TWH, Peruvian, Paso Fino and OGB classes. Ron Hood is the contact person, and will be given the NWGHA mailing list to promote the show. Coggins and CVI’s will be required for out-of-state horses. Camping reservations should be made as soon as possible.
		- Other activities discussed included: a trail ride, a trail clinic, possible one-day show at a local barn, participation in shows in Northern California, and a collaboration with the Peruvian show in Monroe, Washington in July.
* Committees
	+ Trail Committee – Ruth Goode (chair), Sherry Sullens. Diana Harris
	+ High Point/Awards Committee – Nancy O’Dell (chair), Chris Reznicsek, Anne Eades
	+ Budget Committee – not decided
	+ Promotion/Membership Committee – Chris Reznicsek., Steve Zobrist
	+ Youth Promotion Committee – Rachel Ettestadt, Jessica Kiser – adult adviser

Meeting adjourned 1:10 pm, motion Steve Zobrist, Mary Sjogren, no objection