

Northwest Gaited Horse Association

Board Meeting

October 14, 2023

- Meeting started: 11:00 am, Nancy O'Dell home.
- Members present: Nancy O'Dell, Shannon Thomas, Steve Harris, Anne Eades, Steve Zobrist (via Zoom), Hank Sjogren, guest - Thomas Siniscal
- Minutes from July 2023 Board meeting approved.
 - Treasurer's report - unchanged from September revised report
- **Old Business**
 - The October 2023 NWGHA show.
 - The announcer will be Thomas Siniscal, assisted as needed.
 - David Kiser will be the photographer with \$200 stipend.
 - Facility deposit \$500
 - Staffing for steward and paddock in place, ribbon person (who dresses nice for pictures) still needed.
 - Trail will be set up in the main arena – help will be needed for set-up and take-down.
 - No flag or special presentations are planned. A future exhibition of the different gaited horses was suggested.
 - The June 2024 show is planned for the Oregon State Fairgrounds. Arrangements and follow-up to continue.
 - A wine country tour was suggested at the last meeting. It will be considered next year.
 - The Facebook hack resulting in a \$125 charge to the club has been resolved. The NWGHA is listed as a group. No ads have been placed, yet.
- **New Business**
 - Nominations for officers and Board members will begin in November. Members are encouraged to consider serving on the Board. Meetings are generally monthly to discuss and plan activities for the club.
 - The annual meeting in January to give out year-end awards was discussed. The club has lost money the last several years with the

buffet meals generating the most cost. In the past there have been restaurants, with meeting rooms, that allow people to order their own food. A Mexican restaurant in Dundee might be able to do this. Options and suggestions are requested.

- Donations for silent auction at January meeting help to raise money for the club.
- The **show program** for the October show has not received enough advertising dollars to pay for the publishing. More ads to total \$500 is needed by **October 21st**. Contact Nancy if you want to advertise in the program.
- **Trail logs** (records of hours spent trail riding) should be sent to Nancy by **November 1st**.
- **Nominations** for horses (\$15) for the year-end high point awards should be sent to Nancy also by **November 1st**.

Next Board meeting: November 11, 2023, 11:00 am, place TBD