

April 01, 2010

O.W.H.A. Minutes
Highway Patrol Post

Wapakoneta, Ohio

CALL TO ORDER: Ashley Gossard

ATTENDANCE: Ashley Gossard, Laura Gossard, Kim Haines, Robin Townsend, Kim Bonnette, Pam Post, Geoff Oates, Brenda Brooks, Sarah Oates, Amy Joseph, Eileen Clement, Angela Foust, Ron Rohbach. **Excused:** Geoff Brooks, Alesia Martin, Lisa Smith, Gwen Clymer, Lisa Scott Reiss. **Guests:** Rhonda Haudenschild, Bob Fox, Wilma Fox, Jennifer Post, Heather Oates.

MINUTES: Kim Bonnette read the March meeting minutes. Eileen moved to accept the minutes, Sarah Oates 2nd. Motion passed.

TREASURERS REPORT: A detailed treasurer report was provided by Robin Townsend during the meeting in preparation for the annual treasurer audit. The ending balance for the OWHA account is \$8,299.95 and for the Youth account is \$1,461.38. It was noted by Brenda Brooks that the Findlay Booth cost of \$25 should have been taken from the adult account rather than youth. Robin indicated that she had also deposited the \$70 from the bake sale into that account so that the Youth club came out ahead. It was motioned Laura Gossard to leave transactions as conducted in the youth account, Sarah Oates 2nd, motioned passed. Approval of the treasurer's report was motioned by Kim Haines, Laura Gossard 2nd, motion passed. The audit of the OWHA books was postponed. Ashley Gossard will contact Lana Hoffman, Ken Siemer and Alesia Martin (non-officer trustee) to have them set up a time with Robin Townsend to audit the books.

MEMBERSHIP & POINTS: Geoff Oates reported that we have 86 paid annual members and 68 lifetime members.

EDITOR: Pam published her first newsletter in March (see website). She wanted to ask members to participate by submitting article/suggestions. In the current letter, she requested members to provide grooming tips. She also highlighted items from the meeting minutes. She plans to submit newsletters ~7 days from the previous meeting. She sent 44 letters to OWHA club members at \$19.44. Eileen Clement motioned to buy a printer, paper and ink and pay the current postage, Kim Haines 2nd, motioned passed. Kim Haines volunteered to look into an OWHA printer. In order to expedite the process, Eileen Clement motioned to buy a printer and supplies with costs at Kim Haines discretion; Laura Gossard 2nd, motioned passed.

YOUTH CLUB REPORT: The Youth club report was presented by Youth Club President Jennifer Post as follows: A Special Thanks to Randy & Kim Haines for a farm tour and refreshments. There were 21 youth plus parents. Youth plan to have a 50/50 drawing at the April 17th speed show. The youth discussed changes/ improvement to the incentive auction including moving to another meeting. However, they decided they would rather have it at the annual meeting for others to enjoy if they wish. Brenda Brookes suggested that perhaps the auction items could be divided and have more than one auctioneer to speed things up. There was some discussion about the Youth having a skating party instead of bowling party at Christmas this year. Brenda Brooks said that there was a suggestion for selling ball caps for the Youth fundraiser with the OWHA logo. Examples were kindly provided by Kwik as a Wink (Thanks!) with a club cost \$6.50 and to be sold at \$10.00. Adults were also considering something like this for a fund raiser as well. After much discussion (including that the OWHA emblem is still undergoing changes and hat styles), this suggestion was tabled at the meeting for further research.

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CONTEST INCENTIVE FUND (CIF) and PLEASURE INCENTIVE FUND (PIF):

Forms for both incentive funds are now on-line.

300 CLUB: Tickets were not available at the meeting for the April drawing. Tickets to be sold for the new drawing to begin May 2010 were passed out at the meeting.

BANQUET: There was discussion regarding the banquet schedule. Robin Townsend motioned the following schedule in an attempt to shorten the day and have the adult meeting closer to the meal to encourage more club participation at the annual meeting:

Youth Meeting at 2:00

Adult Annual Meeting at 4:00

Meal at 5:30

Awards at 7:00

Sarah Oates 2nd, Motioned passed.

WEBSITE: N/A

SHOW STEWARD: N/A

EQUIPMENT: N/A

FINDLAY FLEA MARKET/SWAP MEET: N/A

SCHOLARSHIP: Brenda Brooks reported that the new application form is now on-line with June 15th deadline.

Fall Round-Up Show (FRU): N/A

SHOW APPROVAL: Geoff Oates indicated that he has received all but one showbill to approve. There are only four showbills not on the website; Geoff to check on. Amy Joseph indicated that she provided all the show dates to the Corral free calendar (except Ada, Van Wert and Celina which she did not have at the time of entry). Kim Haines also sent them to the Horse Show Circuit magazine through the end of June.

AWARDS: N/A

Officers and Trustee Show -Marion: show bill to be completed

Officers and Trustee Show - Wapakoneta: Showbill/Sponsors are complete. A Big Thank You to Ron Rohrbach for Sponsors.

RULES & BY LAWS: Rulebooks are complete. Geoff Oates requested to send post cards to members to indicate that rulebooks are available on line or that a hard copy can be shipped upon request. Laura Gossard motioned to accept, Robin Townsend 2nd, motioned passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Kim Haines still needs a high resolution bay horse without a halter for OWHA emblem. Bob Fox has volunteered to make-up formal membership cards to view upon an OWHA emblem decision.
- Ron Rohrbach needs to look into speakers last year and offered to check into prices for additional speakers.
- Geoff Oates provided Kim Bonnette the email addresses for a meeting invite to the members. She will be working on that to be finished before the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Ron Rohrbach indicated that there is a lot of construction on Route 33 with major exits blocked for the summer which will impact getting to Riverside Acres. He presented a map for those to get to the show easier. Brenda Brooks will send it in to be posted on the internet.

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- Pam Post indicated that the Allen County Horse Council invited OWHA to put on a show in the new covered arena the second weekend of the fair. However, OWHA indicated that there were two Officer and Trustee shows and Fall Round-Up already committed for this year so OWHA would have to decline. However, OWHA invited the Horse Council to run a show under OWHA terms/rules, if they wish.

Robin Townsend motioned to adjoin the meeting, Sarah Oates, 2nd, motioned passed.

Sincerely,

**Kimberly L. Bonnette
O.W.H.A, Secretary**