

# WPRHA Meeting Notes – Board & General

## Attending

### Board:

Megan Stevenson

Eric Stevenson

Mariclaire Stearns (zoom)

Cheryl Miller

Brandon Himes (zoom)

Jesse Dillaman (zoom)

### General:

All board members listed to the left

Paula Moyer (zoom)

## **BOARD MEETING**

### Announcements and Old Business

- Meeting was called to order by Megan at 6:21pm
- Account standings were read by Cheryl
  - Cheryl will be opening a new account (with our official EIN) at the Jamestown-Corry Credit Union because there are no PNC's close by – Board approved
  - Accounting software was discussed and there are a few that need to be tried – Cheryl was given a budget of \$250 to find one that will work for us. Motion on budget by Megan, seconded by Jesse.
- Previous meeting minutes were not available, but Eric recapped some of the major points that were covered.

### New Business

- 2022 Show Season
  - Leadline will be a pointed/judged class with a year-end award. It is open for all young riders under the age of 8.
  - Motion to adjust the short stirrup class into two divisions (walk/trot and walk/trot/lope) was made by Mariclaire. The board discussed the logistics of the classes (details below) and a second was made by Jesse.
    - Both classes will have year-end awards
    - Short Stirrup (W/T) – shortened pattern from NRHA patterns to save time
    - Short Stirrup (W/T/L) – will stay the same with NRHA rules and patterns
    - All SS classes are limited to young riders 10 years of age and under.
  - Showbills
    - Showbills will be adjusted to add the new short stirrup class.
    - Class order was briefly discussed, but tabled for the general meeting.
    - Removal of the word “lunch” at the leadline class was agreed upon
- Banquet
  - Banquet financials were discussed with some ideas for next years

- 501C3
  - All documents to become a legally registered business with PA and the IRS have been submitted and paid for. We are the “Western PA Reining Horse Association” dba “WPRHA”
  - The costs associated with this process were:
    - 501C3 - \$275
    - PA Business Registration - \$140

## Final Thoughts

Board Meeting was transitioned to the General Meeting at 6:59pm by Megan.

## GENERAL MEETING

### Announcements and Old Business

- Meeting was called to order by Megan at 7:07pm
- Account standings were read by Cheryl
  - Cheryl discussed the new bank account location and our application status with PA registrations and the 501C3.
  - Cheryl also read off the projected expenses for the 2022 season, which includes the following:
    - Accounting Software - \$250 budget
    - Horse Show Software - \$395 this year, \$175 every year thereafter
    - Penland Arena:
      - Arena - \$1200
      - Drags - \$400
    - Lake Erie College
      - Arena - \$1500
      - Drags - \$800
      - Facility Manager - \$400
    - Ribbons for shows
    - Buckles for Shootout winners
    - Year-End awards
- Eric recapped the 2021 show season and ending with the banquet. He stated the final bylaws are posted on the website.

### New Business

- 2022 Show Season
  - Leadline will be a pointed/judged class with a year-end award. It is open for all young riders under the age of 8.
  - There will be 2 short stirrup classes this season – one walk/trot and one walk/trot/lope, which will provide a gentle transition for young riders moving up from leadline.
  - Showbills
    - A change to the class order was discussed, and many suggestions were made by Paula as the group discussed the needs for change and how to work it out.

- The class order will go as follows for the Penland Show (and will be adjusted for LEC if necessary)
        - Short Stirrup (W/T)
        - Short Stirrup
        - Ladies/Mens
        - Rookie
        - Green Reiner 1
        - Open
        - Leadline Ranch
        - Youth
        - Non pro
        - Green Reiner 2
        - Open Ranch Riding
        - Youth Ranch Riding
        - Green Ranch Riding
    - Show positions
      - We need to find a reliable show secretary. Paula stated that she might be able to do it with a little help from the officers when Jayme is showing.
      - We are also still looking for Judges for both shows.
- Membership Forms
  - Save \$10 if submitted before March 1<sup>st</sup>
  - Work hours were discussed
    - A signup sheet with positions open will be at the office
    - Members can have others complete the hours for them (i.e. a parent can work the hours required for their children). The signup sheets will have a “working for?” column so it will be easily tracked.
  - The address on the membership forms will be changed to Cheryl. Any that go to Eric will be entered and Cheryl will be given the checks for deposit
- Sponsors
  - We are still looking for sponsors for this season. The form is on the website, and we will accept any form of donations (prizes, money, etc.).
- Elections
  - The next round of elections will be in the Fall, for positions starting in January 2023.
  - The current open positions are for board members – 3 total
    - Anyone interested in being on the board for this season should contact Megan or Mariclaire. Your interest will be discussed with a board vote for final approval.

## Final Thoughts

General meeting was adjourned by Megan at 7:39 PM, seconded by Eric.