

PINTO HORSE ASSOCIATION OF OHIO

Minutes: February 14, 2010

General Meeting

Call to Order: The meeting was opened at 11:00AM by President Megan Herner at the home of Peter and Judy Thornton..

Roll Call: The following officers and directors were present: Julie Bowers, Dick Bredemeier, Nancy Bredemeier, Megan Herner, Jo Hickman, Connie Runkle, Billy Schlarb, Kathy Smith, Lynn Taylor, Peter Thornton, Patti Wittensoldner, Celeste England-Ziarko.

Minutes: The minutes of January 10 were distributed by email and briefly reviewed at this meeting. A typographical error in summarizing the Treasurers report was pointed out. Specifically, the 1/09/10 savings account balance should have been shown as \$19,185.06 rather than \$19,285.06. The Kathy Smith/Dick Bredemeier motion to approve the minutes as corrected was passed.

Treasurer's Report: Patti Wittensoldner reported that she transferred \$2,500 from savings to checking during the past month.

	Balance 1/9/10	In Flow	Out Flow	Balance 2/13/10
Checking	318.37	4,863.00	4,235.68	945.69
Savings	19,185.06	4.07	2,500	16,689.13
Total	19,503.44	4,867.07	6,735.68	17,634.84

Committee Reports

Banquet: Patti reported that there were 55 guests present. Compliments were received on the quality of the food. It was informally agreed to pursue dates at the same facility for the next awards banquet. The possibility of scheduling a late fall banquet was discussed. Patti will have two dates penciled in: our usual end of January date and a Nov 13 date.

Thanks and kudos were given to everyone involved with the banquet, especially the Wittensoldner family who played a major role in planning both the food and activities and to Celeste England-Ziarko who took over the tabulation of show points late in the season.

Year End: Celeste presented ideas for updating the year-end award rules.

Discussion led to the following proposals:

- Breeding stock classes will be included in the 2010 show bill. It was informally agreed that an Open Breeding Stock award category should be added.

- Entries of pony, mini, pleasure, and saddle types have been low for a number of years. It was agreed that the awards given in these areas should be simplified. The categories suggested for 2010 were: Open Pony, Amateur Pony, Open Pleasure/Saddle, and Open Miniature Horse.

Celeste England-Ziarko and Peter Thornton moved to change the award system as outlined above. The motion passed.

Dick Bredemeier and Nancy Bredemeier moved for PtHAO to give a complementary year-end nomination to Celeste for her efforts with the 2010 points. The motion passed.

Ideas for encouraging entries in the shows and award system were discussed. We will try to use the website, President's Pen and emails to members to help prospective exhibitors learn about opportunities such as 4H registration discounts, breeding stock classes; and registering and showing solid quarter horses, half Arabians and other outcross breeds as breeding stock.

Shows: PtHAO has been informed that two of the judges hired for 2010 shows are ineligible to judge in 2010. Replacements are being handled. When at the convention Dick and Nancy will inquire about ways to prevent the hiring of ineligible judges. PtHAO officers and directors are wondering if it is possible for PtHA to update the list of approved judges list prior to January 1, the date when charters are expected to submit show applications for the upcoming year. Pattern books were well received last year. It was agreed that they would be offered again in 2010. Five sets of patterns will be included.

Megan will be responsible for obtaining an insurance contract. It is thought that costs may be somewhat lower in 2010 than in 2009 because we are using fairgrounds with different insurance requirements.

Royalty: Kathy Smith reported that the royalty part of the banquet ran smoothly. Everyone is looking forward to having the royalty at the shows. Kathy also reported that 2009 candy sales helped to meet the expenses of the royalty program. Candy will be available for sale again this year. The website and the President's Pen will be used to encourage our talented young people to participate in the royalty program.

Membership: Connie reported on memberships received. The membership form asks for email addresses. Hopefully members will fill out that part of the form. Returned emails indicate that a number of the addresses we have are out of date.

Ribbons: Jennifer Derthick presented an oral and printed report that included a ribbon inventory, information about ribbon pricing for 2010, and a list showing the number of ribbons that would be needed in 2010 if all exhibitors were to pick up ribbons. It was decided that there are sufficient grand and reserve ribbons for the upcoming show season. The regular flat award ribbons will be used for leadline classes at the five-judge shows and we will offer the rosettes currently on hand for leadline at the Jubilee at Springfield. Sufficient flat

ribbons will be ordered to bring the number of first, second, third, and fourth place ribbons up to 500 each.

Old Business

Returned Check Policy: Nancy Bredemeier presented three policy drafts for the consideration of the membership. Dick Bredemeier and Kathy Smith moved to adopt the policy represented by the first of the drafts. The motion passed. The wording will be updated now that a draft has been selected, and the final policy will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Adjourn: There being no other business, Kathy Smith and Billy Schlarb moved to adjourn at 12:30PM. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Bredemeier
PtHAO Secretary