

ODS BOARD MEETING 11/3/19

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE: Lisa Koch, Jill Campbell, Janie Steinbock, Tedi Paasch, Eileen Parent, Francy Haupt, Brett Stallings, Valerie Stallings, Jo Renn, Marsha Williams, Brittney Castell, Sarah Diebert, Michelle Anderson, Karen Cheeke, Lynette Hammon, Kathy Casey, and Rhonda Fitton.

Meeting was called to order at 8:30.

Lisa read the mission statement for ODS, introductions of board and officers along with others who were attending the meeting then gave a brief presidents report citing her expectations of professionalism and communication to board and members reviewing what has happened with shows, finances emphasizing future education and sponsorship and the possibility of partnering with USDF on projects.

2020 Officers and Board: Lisa Koch – President, Michelle Anderson – vice President, Eileen Parent - Secretary, Lynette Hammond – Treasurer. Directors at large – officers plus Brittney Castell, Sarah Diebert, Keaton Hoy, and Brett Stallings. Regional Reps: North – Kathy Casey, Tedi Paasch; Central – Kim Barker; East – Marsha Williams; South – Jill Campbell.

Treasurers Report: Valerie and Karen were covering the duties of the treasurer as there was no official treasurer since July. Valerie reported 101K+ change in the general checking. Dolores consolidated all the different accounts on the advice of Andrea Marek and the Finance committee. Valerie has the ODS laptop with quick books, the book of deposits and receipts and will forward to Lynette.

Membership Report: Jo reported that in 2019 we had 629 members, from a high of 1200 ten years ago. We lost 100 members when Lower Puget Sound Chapter withdrew from ODS to start their own GMO.

153 have renewed at the time of the meeting. We brought in \$2700 in membership fees last year. The program Membership Works costs \$90 per month. There have been some issues with email addresses for renewal forms when people change email addresses. Jo will not be doing membership next year.

Lisa stated her expectations of board members – she expects all board members to be working and it is up to them to make ODS work and be great.

Karen's report: We need to recruit people to help with committees. Three people are going to the USDF Convention. The three reps are: Karen, Lynette and Keaton Hoy. Please tell them what you want them to check out or report on.

Youth Committee: Lynette reported that she has had up to 25 youths, currently there are 5 on the team. The team is open to anyone under 25 and they need to sign up with Lynette and attend at least 2 meetings (at Lynette's house) or activities a year. They have run the Summer Solstice show the last several years and currently it is scheduled for the end of June at Devonwood for 2020. They are currently fundraising to take the youth to Wellington. She would like to see the youth camp brought back.

Adult Committee: Brett reported that she would like to see some clinic and symposiums next year. She will be stepping down as Chairperson.

Show committee: Sarah reported that the committee is composed of herself, Kaye Phaneuf and Sarah Kress. Sarah D. keeps a spreadsheet and records of all show approvals and insurance and other activities.

Fall festival cost \$3600 for facility and food.

Adult Team Show: Karen reported that she, Siobhan and Karen McCurdy had been on the committee. Everyone seems to enjoy the show which is composed of teams of amateurs and pros., competing against other teams which encourages team building and comradery. Currently the show is scheduled for June 6 – 7, 2020 at Devonwood, Oregon Horse Center is also a possibility to host.

ODS Licensed Championship Show: Currently scheduled to be held Sept. 11-13, 2020 at Devonwood.

ODS League Championship Show: Tentatively scheduled to be Aug. 29th and 30th, 2020. The 2019 show was at Oregon Horse Center along with the Dressage festival. The show was put on by Mid Valley and Umpqua Valley Chapters and they will keep the profit from the show, approximately \$1000, as was approved at the Oct board meeting. The show had about 35 riders.

Trainers Workshop: 2019 workshop had Catherine Haddad Staller with 40 attendees. Very Positive evaluations. 2020 workshop will be at a new venue and possibly bringing Catherine back.

Event Business: All events must have a proposal and budget submitted to the board prior to the event and then a post activity report also submitted.

Next Steps:

Finances – Andrea Marek, Lisa and Lynette will work on the finances and how to move forward.

Memberships – Michelle will look at issues with the program and how to make it better.

ODS Championship Show – Peter Rothschild and Lisa are discussing how to move forward and looking at the financials.

Reg. 6 Summit for show managers, gmo's etc. will be held Jan. 11 2020 at Devonwood. Lisa and Michelle will be attending.

Old Business: Karen stated that there were PPM updates from the April meeting that had been brought forth by Mary Packard. These had been left off the agenda and need to be moved forward to the next meeting. Michelle motioned and Sarah seconded to have these tabled and brought up at the next meeting.

New Business:

Karen brought up a discussion about a Carrie Evens remembrance. She stated that Kay Phaneuf was checking to see what USDF was doing and what ODS could do as a group. Discussed the possibility of some type of monetary fund in Carrie's name similar to the Linda Acheson fund.

Brett brought up the possibility of a horseman's distress fund. This idea had been given to her by a member with a request for Brett to bring to the Board.

NW Expo: Francy started a discussion of ODS' role with the Expo. The ODS board had passed a motion in April that ODS will reimburse Francy for her expenses in attaining the demo horses for the Expo. Lisa suggested that the Regional Reps ask the chapters in their regional to help out with sponsoring the stalls for the demo riders.

Michelle proposed a new internal communication tool to facilitate communication between board members and others. She suggested two programs: Microsoft team or Slack. Michelle will talk and work with Valerie investigating old and new technology for the website and the emails.

For The Good Of the Order:

Lynette announced that the youth team is bringing in Linsey McLean to speak on Health and Wellness for your horse and you, Nov. 9th and 10th at the More Reality Conference room in Tigard. This is a fundraiser for the Youth Team.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:35

Submitted by Eileen Parent