2/1/25 Directors meeting

High Rocks in Gladstone @ 9:45am

Attendance: Sheryl Peterson, Dorothy Whiteman, Tammy Osgood, Lisa Brostad, Linda VanFleet, Katie Hansen, Absent Linda Dougall Soto

No Minutes to approve

With Linda not present Sheryl gave an abbreviated Treasury report as of 12/31/24 Checking balance - \$40,437.42 - includes the \$799.19 GIF checks returned Youth Savings - \$1,815.34 CD - \$14,595.55

2025 Shows

Rinda will be managing WW and EVC, Sheryl will be managing GH

Show Coordinators: WW - Kathy Howard and Lisa Abboud, GH - Tammy Osgood and Dorothy Whiteman,

EVC - Joanne Ross and Tom Soto

Deposits have been made \$500 to EVC, \$500 to GH, and \$825 to WW

Judges: WW - Paul Tarap and Margo Hepner Hart, GH - Austin VanWyck and 2nd Judge is pending, EVC -

Cindy Carlson and Kim Sterchi

Announcer - Cathy Ayres is scheduled for all three shows

Still need a gate person for all three shows

Schooling Show/ Clinic

Linda has the contract in hand, not signed yet - we have until March to return with a deposit.

Bryce is not available for the April 19/20th weekend, so we are looking for clinicians

Sheryl will reach out to Tracy Yost to see if she could do a clipping clinic at this event, she was talking to her about doing a separate event.

Linda will continue to reach out to local trainers for clinician/judges. Jessie Skerjanec willing to help in any way, Ben will announce, need gate volunteers.

RV parking at the state fair ground is not offering electrical hookups, they will have Dry camp only Oct-June for \$20 per night. Arena fee is \$675, Stalls fee is \$22/night- no bedding, PA System is \$100 The deposit is $\frac{1}{3}$ of the total due with the signed contract 30 days prior to the event with the remainder paid by April 8th.

If we are unable to find clinicians, we could do a schooling show with the judge giving placement explanations Class fees; Linda toying with the idea of offering a flat fee, ~\$75 go in any class, also offer the per class fee, last years rate was \$7/class

Ribbon committee - Sharon Hardt

The committee has been formed it has 4 members

Ch/Res ribbons have been ordered from Marryanne 38 grands, 21 Reserves to go with the leftover ribbons that we have in the trailer

Supremes are being fulfilled by Lindsay Day for Open and Am, they have enough materials to make next year and possibly the following year.

We have so mislabeled ribbons that we have the replacement streamers to fix the mistake if we need supreme backups.

Ordered 1st and 4th placement ribbons for a total of 634 ribbons from Hodges @ \$2.50each + shipping total bill was \$914.50

Discussion of what to do with the leftover flowers from last year. Could we use them for special awards or Grand/Reserve in 2026 and have a crafting party.

AMHR

Clubs in CA and AZ are offering AMHR classes

Tried to adjust the Elma show to offer classes for this year but it didn't work out. Other dates are conflicting with current AMHR shows in the area. Need to contact AMHR and find out what we would need to do to add Sanctioned classes to our class list. We would need to hire a registered stewart. We need to be careful to work with the local R club in the area so we don't undermine each other's shows. We would need to abbreviate our class list to fit all the required classes from both associations, which would affect year end awards and we would need to be consistent at all shows.

The base question here is do we want to extend our club affiliation to include AMHR instead of staying with AMHA only? Bring to General membership meeting.

We need to start working on this now for 2026 if the membership wants to move forward.

Year End Awards - Katie Hansen

The rules are updated from the fall meeting, just need to get them to Sara for the website.

We added AOTE stock classes that will be brought to the membership to see if they would like to add those classes to the individual award list.

Need some new fresh ideas for awards. Would like to get a budget in place early so we can start purchasing items when we find sales.

Lisa has offers of silver platers, bowls - would we be willing to use these - As long as we can label them to say what they are for in some way whether that's engraving or a plaque of some kind.

Linda is still storing donated world show trophies - what are we going to do with these? We could try to alter them in a way that makes them stand apart from the World show trophy look.

Stateline tack sponsor update

Judy has sent the form to stateline, if we are selected we will be expecting to receive items and not a monetary donation. They requested monthly facebook ads to be posted on our website. We need back numbers for GH, could we get those from Stateline?

Judy is selling back numbers for the 2025 season for \$15 per number. Numbers are assigned to the horse on a first come first serve basis.

Sponsor letter and forms

Katie updated the show and year end awards form -Ready for use and to be put on the website.

New sponsor form for corporate sponsors first draft shared, still needs some edits - Need to add an open donation space for any dollar amount that could go towards arena, judges, management team fees etc... Lisa wrote a letter that could be used to send to corporate sponsors - Katie altered this letter so that members could fill in blanks to add their own contact info so that Linda DS only receives monetary donations and not items. Lisa is contacting local businesses around our show locations.

Sheryl suggested that we make a member contest out of getting sponsors. We could give an award out at the year end award to whoever gets the most sponsorship.

Club trailer is currently stored at Joanne's, not undercover. It was decided that the Show coordinators will be responsible to get the trailer to and from the shows. Sheryl will be able to haul it to GH, Kathy can take it home from the schooling show and get it to and from WW.

Bylaw/ Rules and Regs

We have a bylaw change ready to vote on today about new officers. Another to be presented to change the wording on family memberships, will need to be published and then we can vote on it at the fall meeting.

Meeting adjourned @ 11:53