**Agenda OFQHA Meeting**

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| **01/28/2017 OFQHA (Ohio Foundation Quarter Horse Association) Meeting**  |

**Call to Order:** Meeting Start at 1PM 1/28/17 J*ake’s Restaurant 996 Coshocton Rd. Mt Vernon, Ohio 43050*

**Attendees:** Deb Earnest, Jeff Earnest, Donnie Uffner, Tiffany Davis, Kevin Barrett, Rebecca White, Adam Black, Kaci Neptune, John Kreis, Lisa Kreis, Anthony Frizzell, Terry Andrews, Lori Merritt, Landyn Andrews, Suzanne DiPietro, Vickie Smith, McKenzie Noldick

***Conference Call Attendees****: Joan Hubbell, Jeff Hubbell, and Shane Hubbell*

**Old Business:**

* Treasurer’s Report: $23,944.77
* Fair grounds/buildings rental agreement **deposit paid 12/12/16**; this holds the Guernsey Country fairgrounds for all OFQHA show dates through 2017. The treasurer will pay the show fees after the end of each show monthly
* Club requested budget forecasting as part of the treasurer’s report. Updates provided at each meeting with tracking most likely monthly to include encumbered funds aka money already spent
* Additional motions for handling club funds are as follows; motion by John Kreis and 2nd by Lisa Kreis with attendee majority vote = Pass/Yes:
	+ Club pays for a bonding service to protect Association funds
		- Current bonded members are President, VP, Treasurer, and 2 assistants
		- Club recommended Lisa Kries and Lori Merritt to be bonded since they use funds to purchase ribbons and/or year-end awards
		- Association voted to obtain a debit card
		- Additional signers/bonded members need to provide 2 forms of personal identification (driver’s license and credit card) to the account manager at the North Maple Ave. PNC Bank before they can become bonded

**New Business:**

* **Rule Book Committee 2017 –** Kaci Neptune (she will draft help as needed) volunteered to retype the rule book. She will also add additional clarification around the ‘green’ Reiner and boxing classes For example, green can be a green horse with a rider who has previous won or a green rider on a horse that has previously won
* **Show Bill Changes for 2017 –**
* Move all cattle classes to the morning (do not intermix with rail classes; all these types of classes will move to the afternoon). After cattle classes are complete, on Saturday, the show will take a break while the cattle provider picks up cattle. It was determined that standing in the sun all day is what is hardest on the cattle not running the cattle classes in sequence
	+ Motion by Donnie Uffer and second Lori Merritt with attendee majority vote = Pass/Yes
* Change Horsemanship to Ranchmanship for both adult and youth
	+ Change patterns to support this change – Action Item = Kaci Neptune and Tiffany Davis
	+ Motion by John Kries and second Lori Merritt with majority vote = Pass/Yes
* Removed Classes 14 and 15 – These classes were removed due to coverage of these events in individual classes and low attendance over the last 3 years
	+ Motion Donnie Uffer and second by Kevin Barrett
	+ Majority vote = Pass/Yes
* Cross entry rules - members need to reference the rulebook
* Jack pot roping (benefit to go to Steel Memorial) one show per year (September)
* Modify patterns change our horsemanship patterns to ranchman ship
	+ Motion by John Kries and second Lori Merritt
	+ Majority vote = Pass/Yes
	+ Changes to patterns by Rule Book committee (reference New Business)
* Revise show bill to the above changes and add a footnote ‘class order subject to change’ completed by Rebecca White
* Reduction in Show Hours – the above changes will help toward the goal of reducing show hours. The club needs to plan a year in advance to move the show to 2 days; TBD if the club will work towards this goal in 2017
* **2017 Judges –** 2 judges per show required (arena/infield judge). Budget is $350.00 for Main Judge and $250 for Infield judge.
	+ 10 judges confirmed verbally
	+ Consider an evaluation sheet for judges for the Association to gain feedback
	+ Tiffany Davis ready to send information just needed finalization of budget and other misc. details.
		- Judges packets to include - contract, rule book, patterns, welcome letter, etc.
			* Welcome letter to include (this can be customized per judge) mileage of 50 center per mile, lodging for judges traveling more than 150 miles, etc.
			* Club declined a suggestion to limit meal budget since most judges did not over spend
		- Motion by John Kreis and second Lori Merritt
		- Majority vote = Pass/Yes

**Additional Help Discussion:**

* **Office Help** - need identified and finalized for the 2017 show season. Suggestions were as follows:
	+ Kaci Neptune suggested and will research using 4-H members
	+ Tiffany Davis will research some other names we has
	+ Jeff Hubble offered to oversee office and the club agreed on an initial budget of $500.00 per Saturday show. Budget should include:
		- Office Manager/help
		- Announcer
		- Judge Assistant
		- Office Help
	+ Jeff needs to present his plan at the next meeting; club to conduct a final vote and a final budget at this time
	+ Club still needs to determine if office help is needed on Friday nights. One suggestion was to provide 6 – 9 pm coverage on the first Friday night of the show season since club memberships both new and renewal are due
* **Cattle Setup** – This includes panel setup, working the cattle during the shows, tears down at the end of the show, etc. This money typically set at $250.00 (this may need to change if 2 people required considering the new panels are heavier this year). Contact suggestion for this position is Morgan Modro. Lori Merritt and Donnie Uffer working on finalizing this person and getting them under contract along with a backup
* **Cattle Provider** – Expected to be the same as previous years - Randy Raver. Tiffany Davis is working through the contract and final pricing with him. Will be discussing if he would bring another set of cows for Friday night which would drive a final decision on how much this would cost (last year it was $10 per run considering raising to $20 per run with 1 run limits). Final decision and cost TBD
* **Social Media Standards for the Association**
* Motion by John Kries with a 2nd by Terry Andrews with a majority vote = Pass/Yes
	+ Downgrading of the club on facebook or other social media could results in a ban from one or more shows. This offense to be the judgment and vote of the directors
	+ Negative defined as critical comments about the association, officers, other members of the association and/or decisions made by these members. These concerns can be brought to the attention of an officer(s)/director in private so the issue can be discussed/resolved and/or added to the agenda for a future association meeting
* **Work/Volunteer Determinations**
	+ Sunday Barn/Stall clean-up oversight – Joan Hubble and crew
	+ Options will remain the same as last year in that members can clean their own stalls and receive a $10 reduction from their bill
	+ Payback of this $10 is the responsibility of the member to contact Joan/Shane Hubble and show that stall has been completely cleaned; otherwise the money collected by Joan/Shane is compensation for this cleanup effort
* **Friday Night Cows**
	+ TBD determined if the club continues Friday night cows; some options to consider:
		- No change from last year separate set of cows at $10 per horse per run
		- Increase cost from $10 to $20 per cow run per horse to ensure we can have a separate set of cows that work Friday night (which are then removed Friday night and the Saturday night cows brought in as an exchange)
		- Change determined by conversation with the cattle provider determined by availability and costs
* **Misc.**
	+ Corral Subscriptions and Involvement – Deb Earnest to contact to help club understand what is offered with this subscription
	+ Other advertisements to TBD
	+ Hay for Cows – Signup sheet or have someone deliver (6 bales per show) Kevin Barret to talk to Dave Watt
	+ Fun Show – June and August; show oversight volunteer Adam Black
	+ Free Style Reining Oversight - TBD will need a judge for this event
	+ New Sound System @ Guernsey Fairgrounds – association to consider donating to be able to use this system. Donnie Uffer and Jeff Earnest to work with fairgrounds to

**Next Meeting TBD:**

* Looking at Newark Library to schedule a meeting room considering 9am to noon (social time can be afterwards at a restaurant or location agreed upon) – Deb Earnest
* Consider Tumbleweed in Zanesville (time to be confirmed) – Lori Merritt
* Next meeting the first Saturday of March = 3/4/2017 time and location TBD

**Adjourn = 4:00PM**