

WMRC Monthly Meeting
December 17, 2018
Weeks Memorial Library 7pm

Attendance: (18) Casey McMann, Val Pederson, Vicki Herzog, Trevor Hinerth, Cathy Dorr, Joyce Bean, Rick Miller, Dan Savage, Jessie Savage, Jo Ann Culver, Deb Joyce, Bill Joyce, Cyndy Hakansson, Dave Chessman, Ramona Chessman, Teresa Berry, Michael Prange, Anne Judge.

Ballots counted by Casey & Val

The meeting was brought to order and run by Val Pederson.

The Treasurer's report from 11/19 – 12/17 was read by Vicki. A motion to accept the report as being read was made by Cyndy, 2nd by Shirley, zero opposed.

The Secretary's report from the 11/19 meeting was read by Casey. A motion to accept the report as being read was made by Vicki, 2nd by Jo Ann, zero opposed.

Old Business:

The show committee: Casey spoke about the reasons for wanting to add an Advanced WT division.

*After hearing everyone's comments and suggestions the show committee met and came up with solutions that we feel will accommodate everyone. After emailing a well known and respected steward and judge we found out 2 things.

1. Rated shows DO recognize ANY show, so the rules that this club uses does matter. All someone has to do is report the issue.

2. We were advised to NOT have a try out your canter class, and to not let any walk trot rider try out their canter on the show grounds. This will affect you at other shows.

We will be making a protest form, and we will have a volunteer steward.

How we differ from the MHA rules that were discussed at the November meeting it that they are able to have one rule for equitation and a different rule for pleasure, where we keep the same rules for a whole division. We talked last time about changing our Adult WT rules to allow people who have cantered to go back to walk trot. We do not feel that this would be fair to the true WT rider to have to compete against someone that can/does canter in the showing.

So the solution:

To have an Advanced WT division. For horses OR riders that have previously cantered including last year's show season and would like to return to walk trot.

Horse/Rider combinations cannot cross enter into any class or division that requires a canter. The Rider cannot cross enter into Adult WT or Jr Ex WT. The horse cannot cross enter into Green Horse WT. This division would allow for the rider to ride a different horse in WTC.

IMPORTANT: (The goal for this division would be that if you are returning to WT as a rider that the rider would not be cross entering into a canter division, and if you are returning to WT for the horse that the horse would not be cross entering into a canter division.)

Some examples to be eligible for this division would be: If a rider got scared in a canter class and now is not quite ready to be cantering, If a rider has fallen off and now is reluctant to canter, If there was an injury, An issue with horses behavior, a green horse that went their 2 yrs. in the green horse division but is still not ready to canter at a show, a green horse that cantered but you feel is still not quite ready.

*The Riders WTC status is not voided outside of this division.

There have been many concerns and comments about the computer system that was used over the summer at the shows and that some of the points didn't seem correct. Casey reported that she went through all four of the horse shows points and found many discrepancies. The discrepancies did not affect Year End Points, but they did affect some of the Day End winners. Unfortunately, we will not be going back to make changes on day end awards. Updated points are on the website. This program DOES work, it is used at many shows, we are just not sure if it works for our club, there will be further discussion on using the computer program for our club.

The biggest discrepancy is the June show and the youth scholarship. Amie Weagle should have won the youth scholarship. 19 points were written down and it should have been 24 points. Since the Youth scholarship winner did not use the scholarship the club is not out any of that money. Vicki made a motion to let Amie use the \$250 Scholarship until September 1, 2019, the motion was 2nd by Joyce, zero opposed.

New Business:

Voting results –

President: Vicki accepted

Cyndy – 8

Cathy – 2

Vicki – 15

Casey – 1

Treasurer:

Vicki – 16

Cyndy – 1

Carrie – 7

Robin – 2

VP: Valarie accepted

Valarie- 23

Carrie – 1

Casey – 2

Corresponding Sec:

Casey – 2

Board of Directors: Joyce accepted

Joyce – 23

Peg – 7

Dale – 17

Bill – 4

After volunteering to fill the position, A motion was made by Dan Savage to nominate Cyndy as Corresponding Secretary, 2nd by Shirley Smith, zero opposed. Cyndy accepted the nomination. 16 votes were for the nomination.

A call to Carrie will be made to see if she will accept the Treasurer position, next in line is Robin. If neither accepted the write in nominations an email will be send to paid members asking for nominations, those nominees will be contacted to see if they accept and then ballots will again have to be mailed out.

A call to Dale will be made to see if he will accept the board of directors position. Next in line is Peg, then Bill.

Vicki has agreed to continue to fill in as Treasurer until the position is filled.

Vicki brought up an idea to ask Kate Scarlett to do an educational meeting on “what to do while waiting for the vet in an emergency”. Last time she charged \$150.

Valarie brought up another idea for an educational meeting to have the fire department come and learn how to halter and handle horses in case of an emergency.

Cyndy brought up an idea about a phone tree or a list of people that you could call to help you out in case of an emergency.

Bill Joyce made a motion to pay Smokin T's a \$250 deposit to cater the banquet. The motion was 2nd by Danny Savage, zero opposed.

Trail riding waivers and insurance were asked about again, we will need to look into this.

The Jan & Feb meetings both fall on Holidays and the Library is closed, we usually move them to the following Wed, it was asked if we could move them to a different Monday instead.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Vicki, 2nd by Jo Ann, zero opposed.

Minutes taken by- Casey McMann