

**Tennessee Walking Horse Exhibitors Association of Oregon  
General Membership Meeting Minutes—February 8, 2005  
Sweetbrier Inn- Tualatin, Oregon**

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*Please note: These minutes are not yet approved.*

**DIRECTORS PRESENT (per attendance sheet)** Nancy Plunkett, Shannon Thomas, Jan Freimuth, Peggy Bissell, Jana Anderson, Sharon DeFord, Kim Swingley, David Green, Holly Reynolds, Kim Biehler.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mary Harris, Cheryl Morgan, Diane Gueck

**GUESTS:** Kathleen Blanchard, David Hull, Van Barnes.

**DIRECTORS EXCUSED:** Dave Swingley, Betsy Oakes.

*President Kim Swingley called the meeting of the Tennessee Walking Horse Exhibitors Association of Oregon to order at 7:00pm.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Shannon turns 30 on Thursday! Nancy P. reported that A Nite's Design mare has been sold to new owners in New Zealand. She will become one of their primary foundation Walking Horse mares.

**INTRODUCTIONS:** Membership welcomes Kathleen Blanchard and David Hull.

**MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:** Minutes approved.

**CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:** A letter was received from Betsy Oakes concerning her inability to serve on the award committee do to a change in her work schedule. She has asked to serve on the banquet and scholarship committees. In another letter Robyn Neville made mention of the bill she received for the re-registration of TWHEAO's "url" address. The bill was for \$19.00. She also voiced her concern of the TWHEAO site status. She heard that the club was considering a new webmaster and that the club may not be able to afford the \$50 per month bill that it is currently paying, she would like to offer her services. She would also like to serve on the points committee.

**TREASURES REPORT:**

*Submission of new bills- TWHEAO url renewal- \$19.00, Secretary expenses.*

Horse Show Account-  
Balance \$11,712.18

General Account-  
Balance \$594.37

Scholarship Account-  
Paid out to Megan Kindree- \$1004.75  
Banquet Auction Income- \$1643.00  
Total Balance \$4513.75

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Banquet-** Betsy and Sharon, Holly and Kim B. will be on the banquet committee, Sharon will chair. Sharon and Holly will look into the Edgefield in Troutdale as a possibility for next years' banquet.

**Budget-** Peggy will chair, Holly will help with the show portion of the budget and Sharon will serve as a consult from now until July, after that she will serve the committee on a regular basis.

**Points-** Jana will be on the committee. Robyn will help Washington with the points and will serve as the chair.

**Awards-** Peggy will chair, other committee members have yet to be appointed.

**National Rep.-** In two weeks Dave, who will remain as the national rep., will be holding the DQP clinic along side Ross. The clinic will be held at Hideaway Stables in Troutdale on March 5. Dave S. will also be going to the clinic and will talk to them about donating money to existing, successful shows rather than supporting small less successful shows.

Linda Arnold will be going to Tennessee as a WIWHA rep to the Breeders'. She will ask them for \$1500 to help support our shows and events.

**OHA-** Kim B. will continue to be the TWHEAO rep and was previously elected to remain as the Walking Horse rep to OHA. Nancy and Kim B. went to the OHA's annual banquet. Nancy's mare Hallelujah's Nite Magic received two driving awards. The banquet was very successful and was well attended. Kim will put a link to the OHA website in the minutes [www.oregonhorsemen.com](http://www.oregonhorsemen.com) and will try to get a hold of their show schedule.

**Promotion and Membership-** Nancy, Mary Harris, Jan and David Green will be on the committee. Nancy will look into making labels to update the 2004 brochures. Kim will send a list of new members to the committee. They will send letters to all new members.

**Show-** Cheryl, Peggy will serve on the committee, Holly will chair. The show will be in Albany as scheduled, but will move to Eugene in 2006.

**Trail-** Nancy, Mary and Jan will serve on the trail committee.

**WIWHA-** the committee will consist of Holly, Jana, Shannon, Rae, and Peggy, still need an alternate. Also, TWHEAO needs to get a WIWHA renewal form.

**Scholarship-** The committee will be Betsy, David G, and Diane. Nancy will chair. Nicole Carswell will be holding and equitation clinic this summer. TWHEAO will send it horsemanship camp recipients to her seminar this year, instead of the MTSU Camp.

**Seminars and Education-** TWHEAO will be hosting a driving clinic at Blue Moon Walking Horses on Feb 13, from 10am-4pm. Nancy Plunkett will be the clinician. Contact Nancy: 503-625-5555.

-The seminars presented by TWHEAO throughout the year were very well received. The driving clinic was well attended and brought in new members. The clinic will be held at 7<sup>th</sup> Heaven Farm on June 13-18.

-The booth for the Northwest Horse Expo has been reserved, there is a need to start planning for the expo.

**OLD BUSINESS-** Holly would like to thank those who voted for JFK's Lady to receive TWHBEA's peoples choice driving horse award. She also won the Versatility driving horse of the year.

**NEW BUSINESS-** Concerns of the high points tabulation were brought up. A need to do some further revisions of the high points rules also came up. Jana volunteered to set up some guidelines and send them to Washington.

-There was some discussion as to whether or not to continue to pay Debbie Allen the \$50 per month to have her maintain the website. It was decided that TWHEAO cannot afford her fees and will look to alternative sources to keep up the site. David Green made a motion to stop Debbie Allen's maintenance of the site, and to pass the responsibility to the promotion and membership committee. Nancy seconded, motion passed.

-Sharon made a motion to renew the WIWHA membership. Peggy seconded. Motion passes. She will also put a reminder in the Trainers program for exhibitors to renew club memberships.

- Holly made a motion to give \$75 to the Trainers to include membership application in the Trainers program. David seconded, motion

passed.

**NEXT MEETING-** March 8, 2005, Izzy's Pizza, Wilsonville, OR. Dinner at 6:30, meeting at 7:00

**ADJOURNMENT-** Meeting adjourned.

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