

**WAHSET State Meeting
September 30, 2007 11:00 am
Cattleman's Restaurant, Ellensburg, WA**

CALL TO ORDER Chair Bev Matney called the meeting to order at 11:05 am. District 1 present with 1 adult representatives; District 2 present with 2 adults; District 3 present 2 adult representatives and 1 student representative; and District 4 present with 2 adult representatives and 1 student representative. In addition, Judy Schwartz, vice-chair; Linda Turnbull, treasurer, and Tira Hancock, secretary all present.

Minutes Minutes from August 26, 2007 unavailable.

Treasurer's Report Correction for last month: ending balance should be - \$12,157.59

We have a balance of \$11,897.19 as of September 30, 2007. No outstanding balances.

Motion made and seconded, treasurers report approved – 10:0

OLD BUSINESS

New Schools/Teams Battleground/Prairie - Pending
Firm Foundation Christian School – Battleground private school (District 4) - Approved
Stevenson (not approved – has 6 kids looking for coop, Toledo – Dist 3) - Pending
Deer Park (District 1) – Pending (approved?)
Republic/Curlew (District 1) - Pending
Ellensburg (District 1) - Approved
Napavine - Pending
Columbia Virtual Academy (District 1) - Approved

NEW BUSINESS

1099 Form for Judges Need for judges to complete 1099 forms discussed.

Rules/Policy Clarification Transferring schools

Rule book discussed (participation, general rules and information: must follow school, WAHSET, and WIAA guidelines – 2.1.1, 2.3.1.3, & 2.3.1.7) ... suggest to drop WIAA since WIAA is used a guideline to found some WAHSET rules and is not a WAHSET rule.

Place the following under 2.3.1.3 – All of the athletes representing a school must be enrolled in and attending that school. Exceptions include:

- 1) If a student's family moves from one school district to another, the student will be allowed to ride on the team of the new school.
- 2) The student is enrolled and riding on a team that is not in their school district, he or she wants to transfer to the school in their school district; then he or she will be allowed to ride on that team.
- 3) A student transfers from a school without an equestrian team to a school with an equestrian team; he or she will be allowed to ride on that team.
- 4) A student transfers from a school with a team to a new school with a team but he or she does not physically live in the new school district, he or she will not be allowed to ride with the new school's team for one year.
- 5) A student is co-oping with a school he or she is not allowed to change teams unless he or she goes one year without riding on a team.
- 6) Home schooled students must ride on the team of the school district they

- reside. If they are registered with a school that is not in their school district they are allowed to choose which team they would like to ride with.
- 7) Any exceptions to 1-6 must be brought to and approved by the state board.

Motion	Motion to drop the WIAA references in the rule book (2.1.1, 2.3.1.3, & 2.3.1.7) and to accept 1-7 listed above. Seconded. Motion carried 10:0.
District Directive	Each district needs to go back to and hold a district vote to accept or reject the changes proposed by the state board. Finalization of rule change will be determined at October state board meeting.
Patterns 07/08	Opportunity for pattern submission deadline has passed. Patterns will be released Dec 1
Judging	Pattern demonstration at NJoy Arabians will be Dec 8, 2007
Registration Deadline	Reminder: no practicing until all paperwork is submitted Returning schools – Dec 1, 2007 New schools – Jan 15, 2008
Motion	Motion to accept deadlines, seconded: carried 10:0
Refunds	\$45 must be kept due to insurance and paperwork expenses (plus additional school related expenses such as team shirt, etc.). Suggested, a week before the first district meet. Refund deadlines are to be determined by each district.
Coops	Sponsoring school/co-op school: Montesano with home-school rider Sequim with Marysville Ridgefield with Heritage, Columbia River, Skyview, Mark Morris, Woodland, Prairie, and Battleground Firm Foundation Christian with Evergreen, Heritage, Union, and Battleground All former co-ops from 06-07 school year approved pending paperwork (for all districts). Motion to accept all co-ops as submitted, seconded. Motion carried 10:0
Practice Arena Addresses	Get the addresses of arenas, dates and places of all meets to Linda Turnbull (for insurance purposes)
Eligibility Letter	Suggestion that each school bring a letter of eligibility listing all eligible riders to each meet. Coaches/advisors are responsible to ensure that each rider meets eligibility requirements.

State Meet	<p>State meet at Appleatchee May 16-18, 2008 – may arrive early afternoon the 15th</p> <p>State program – Judy Schwartz completed a prototype/mock-up idea for a state program that will include senior pages; a keepsake that people purchase. Cost \$3.50 per book if order 250 books (charge \$5 per book).</p>
Motion	<p>Motion to proceed with program for 2008 meet, seconded. Motion carried 10:0</p> <p>Sponsorship issues discussed.</p> <p>Shavings – consider pre-ordering pre-packaged shavings prior to the meet. Suggestion: have people bring their own extra shavings. In addition, Chair Matney will contact Big R to determine bulk pricing/order/particulars.</p> <p>Portable rentals – partnership with the Reining Association</p> <p>Schedule considerations – Opening ceremony may occur Thursday night and to have fun event each night to draw crowds.</p> <p>Sponsors/vendors – attempting to have more present at state</p> <p>Judges – contacting judges now</p> <p>How many qualify for state? The past two years, an exception was made from the top 3 and 10% rule (top 5 and 15% past two years).</p>
Motion	<p>Motion to make an exception to go with top 4 and 10% to qualify for state, seconded. Motion carried 6:0 with 4 abstentions.</p>
Logo Use Policy	<p>Judy Schwartz submitted a log use policy and procedures document, which included an application form.</p> <p>Motion to accept policy and procedures for WAHSET log use, seconded. Motion carried 10:0</p> <p>Policy and procedure will be added to Rule Book and posted to WAHSET website.</p>
Website Advertising	<p>Seeking direction for website advertising policy. Send to Judy Schwartz. Avoid linked sites because we cannot control what sponsors put on their website.</p>
Stewardship/appeals fee	<p>\$50, non-refundable</p>
Interstate Meet	<p>Possibility of an interstate meet with Oregon following the state meet with just the OR/WA champions. If going to do that, need to look beyond just the top 3. Must consider cost, number of riders, etc. Suggest to have chair attend meeting with Oregon, but make no decision or commitment from Washington.</p>
Website	<p>Rulebook update will be posted soon.</p>

New pictures sent will be posted soon.

Provide meet info (dates, places) to Chairperson Matney so she can inform webmaster.

Next Meeting Date October 21, 2007, 11:00AM at Lacey Fire Station #34

OPEN FLOOR District 3 voted to offer a second \$500 scholarship; will provide the money from the district. District 3 is challenging other districts to do the same thing.

Working 4s and drill – only one drill team counts for team points at the meet. State qualification is separate from team point calculation at meets.

ADJOURNMENT Motion to adjourn meeting seconded, passed 10:0 at 1:50PM.

 /s/ Bev Matney
Chair

 /s/ Tina Hancock
Secretary

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