

**WAHSET State Meeting
November 16, 2008 9:16 am
Lacey Fire Station 34, Lacey, WA**

CALL TO ORDER Chairperson Bev Matney called the meeting to order at 6:10 pm. Judy Schwartz, Linda Turnbull, Tira Hancock (state board). District 1 (1), District 2 (2), District 3 (3), and District 4 (3). Total voting members present: 8 (District 1 arrived late due to weather and changed voting count at 9:47 – dog discussion) – changed voting members to 9.

Minutes Minutes from October 4, 2008 approved with changes – regarding the tape recorder to purchase a year’s worth of “tapes” (tapes needs to be added)
Motion - approved Motion and second to approve minutes as corrected carried 8:0

Treasurer’s Report Current balance: \$8381.43
Discussion regarding money Jasco owes WAHSET
Motion - approved Motion and second to approve treasurer’s report carried 8:0
Motion - approved Motion and second to approve \$771.75 additional attorney fee carried 8:0
Motion - approved Motion and second to approve \$302.40 hotel expenses for Eastside coaches clinic carried 8:0

Dogs at Meets Insurance risk/liability of dogs discussed per our insurance policy and risk to WAHSET
Motion - approved Motion and second to disallow dogs at meets except in camping area (no dogs in barns, arena, grandstands, or in any area where horses are allowed). Motion carried 9:0

OLD BUSINESS

Judges Certification Question regarding invitations to all judges to make sure they know about the certification clinic December 6, 2008, and December 13, 2008.

NEW BUSINESS

State Meet 2009 Location – The Trac, Pasco, May 14-17, 2009
Chairperson Matney presented pictures and a report about her visit to the Trac and the viability of using the facility for the 2009 state meet (facility cost, stalls, etc.).

How Many Kids Qualify for State? Motion - approved Motion and second to take top 4 plus 10% motion carried 9:0

Motion - approved (stall cost) Motion and second to charge \$65 for stalls motion carried 9:0 (\$65 is for Thurs/Fri/Sat – arriving Wed will cost more)

Motion - approved (extra days) Motion and second to charge an additional \$20 for each additional day (such as arriving Wednesday or staying Sunday) per stall. Motion carried 9:0

Programs Judy Schwartz, vote from Districts
District 1, 2, and 3 voted for proposal B (District 4 hadn’t voted yet).
Motion - approved Motion and second to accept proposal B, motion carried 9:0 (*Teams will sell and turn in an undetermined amount of ads. All ad funds collected for each team would be calculated and divided to arrive at an average per registered team member. This makes if fair for both large and small teams. The team that sells the most ad values per registered team member will receive an ice cream party*)

WAHSET Banner Kathy Wendlant researched cost of banner.
Motion and second to purchase a 6-foot banner from Midvalley Printing, motion carried 9:0

Committees

Re-districting No update.

Bylaws Review Suggestion to make this a year-long process, present it to an attorney, and make changes in 2009 (ready to go by October, to districts by November, voted on December)

Scholarship No update (chairperson of committee not present). Concern that the form for this year is not available on the website.

DISTRICT ISSUES

Registration Deadline

Motion - approved

Motion and second to change registration of new members for existing teams from December 1, 2008, to December 15, 2008, and the deadline for new schools and co-ops to be January 15, 2009. Motion carried 9:0

Refunds Deadline

Motion - approved

Motion and second, the deadline for a refund of registration fees (less \$45 and team expenses) be January 31, 2009. Motion approved 9:0

Co-ops for 2009

Enumclaw allowing co-op with White River HS

Yelm allowing co-op with Redmond

Elma allowing co-op with Aberdeen

Toledo allowing co-op with Onalaska and Winlock

North Thurston allowing co-op with Timberline and one Capitol HS student

Tumwater allowing co-op with Tenino, Olympia, Capitol, and Black Hills

Eatonville allowing co-ops with: Ferrucci Jr Hi (Puyallup), Edgemont Jr Hi (Puyallup), Bonney Lake HS, Puyallup HS, Mt. Rainier Lutheran, Eatonville Lutheran, Fife HS, Enumclaw (grandfathered rider), Franklin Pierce HS, Rogers HS, Sumner HS, Bethel (grandfathered kids who opted to stay with Eatonville), Graham Kapowsin (grandfathered kids who opted to stay with Eatonville), Columbia Jr Hi (Fife), Bethel & GK kids who live in Eatonville, but attend those schools.

Motion - approved (co-ops)

Motion and second that the sponsoring schools with more than nine students be allowed to co-op and all submitted co-ops be allowed. Motion carried 9:0 (rule 1-02-9, subsection C, (1) & 1-01-29 g(3) and (h))

2009 Patterns (information & changes)

Patterns for 2008-09 reviewed

- 1) Jump pattern – pattern judge states that jumps should be a minimum of 10' from the arena wall.
- 2) Gate is like a picket fence, panel is a solid panel
- 3) Risers – 6" from the ground to the top of the pole
- 4) Slicker – long, yellow duster-type
- 5) Working rancher: #3 (add italics) ... walk to pole, *stop*. #4 prepare rope, *proceed to rope calf*; change 'jerk' to *pull*, add *dally* before 'drop rope'
- 6) IHOR – 10' brush boxes – 6' measurement from inside box
- 7) Working pairs must be completed using the full arena (not a dressage arena)

Motion – approved (judging)	Motion and second to use drill judge to judge working pairs. Motion approved 6:3
Motion – approved (patterns)	Motion and second to approve patterns with changes (noted above). Motion carried 9:0
2009 Pattern Clinic/Judges Certification	December 6, 2009 pattern clinic at Appletachee, 9:00AM December 13, 2009 pattern clinic at N' Joy Arabians, Judges 12:00/patterns @1:00PM <u>N Joy Arabians</u> : 10401 Evergreen Valley Road SE, Olympia, WA 98513 360-456-6339
Issues from Gaming/Cow Judges clinic Breakaway Roping	Rule change suggestion for specifying that riders come out of the right side, heelers box.
Re-rides	Riders must request a re-ride before leaving the arena or before trying to rope or daub.
Resetting Course	Discussion followed – previous rulings brought up (no changes)
Individual flags	Flags, okay to circle first barrel (not considered off-course)
Coaches Clinic/Forms Availability	Forms will be posted to the website.
Miscellaneous	Fundraisers must be appropriate (be aware of laws, particularly gambling laws – the laws are very specific in Washington State). WSH wants to team with WAHSET for members to receive points for WAHSET activities and offer awards.
Motion – approved (logo use)	Motion and second that all school be allowed to use the WAHSET logo on letterhead for donation letters with the approval of the contents by the WAHSET state chairperson. Motion carried 9:0
Motion - approved (logo use)	Motion and second to allow all Districts to use the WAHSET logo and website on the equipment trailer (pending paperwork received by the state chairperson). Motion carried 9:0
Statement from Chair	District 4 comments/concerns about WAHSET feelings toward District 4 – what can we do? Consensus, let it go and move on. WAHSET has no hard feelings regarding District 4, parents or kids.
District Chair Directive	Send a contact list for all officers, advisor, and coach for each team – send to Chairperson Matney.
Open Spaces Act	Open Spaces Act discussed briefly
Stolen Horse	Stolen horse alert discussed briefly
OPEN FLOOR	Poles – size 2-07-4, 6(a), 1 ½ inches is better (safer and will remain straight). This will need to go to a rule change for next year. This year, use 1” poles per the rule book.

