

**WAHSET State Meeting  
March 14, 2009 9:00 am  
Lacey Fire Station #34, Olympia, WA**

- CALL TO ORDER** Chairperson Bev Matney called the meeting to order at 9:16 am. Judy Schwartz, Linda Turnbull, Tira Hancock (state board) present. District 1 (3 – arrived at 9:30 during New Business discussion), District 2 (3), District 3 (3), and District 4 (2). Total voting members present: 8 until 9:30 – after 9:30, 11.
- Approve Minutes** Motion and second to approve minutes from February 14, 2009 meeting. Motion carried 8:0
- Approve Treasurer's Report** Balance \$8,137.04. Motion and second to approve treasurer's report. Motion carried 8:0
- District 2 and District 3 have submitted tax information.
- Statement from Chair** D & O Insurance company has reviewed the case and is refunding WAHSET approximately \$7400 for legal costs.
- Medals** Bills for State and District medals just arrived, but not accounted for yet since not yet paid. Districts must reimburse State for District medals.
- OLD BUSINESS** No old business
- NEW BUSINESS**
- State Meet 2009 State Program** State programs: Need team information from the Districts (team pictures, biography, senior rider information, etc.- electronic submission preferred) – Deadline April 1, 2009.
- Each Chairperson has received a checklist of progress – we need more input.
- Ads – only have received \$145 worth of ads. There may be an issue of State being able to front the cost; suggested to have books be sold on a pre-paid basis.
- Championship Awards** Champion awards – No saddles this year due to legal expenses. Idea: Blankets – District 3 suggested that whatever is decided that it should be consistent from year to year.
- Motion** Motion to adopt blankets as the state championship high point award for gaming and performance each year. Motion seconded. Motion carried 11:0.
- District 2 and District 4 will donate the blankets (green, Reinsman). Chairperson Matney has a neighbor who will do the embroidery gratis.
- Schedule** State schedule – another draft distributed. Final schedule depends upon cows Discussion followed. Chairperson Matney will incorporate suggestions and adjust schedule accordingly depending upon the day cows are available.
- Judges for Drill** Proposal suggested to have a drill and a performance judge to judge working pairs at state. Mention of previous decision (drill judges) should hold. No further discussion.
- Activity Ideas for State** Scavenger hunt (Each District needs to bring 5 prizes), dessert social (Thursday night, every team that is there brings a dessert)

<b>Motion</b>	Motion to have a dessert social Thursday at State during opening ceremonies. Motion seconded. Motion carried 11:0.
<b>Cows</b>	Cows not finalized yet (Larry Mielke is working on it)
<b>Committees</b>	
<b>Bylaws Review</b>	Committee has not met yet.
<b>Scholarship</b>	Scholarship forms are on the website and the deadline for submission is May 4 <sup>th</sup> , 2009. District chairs need to get name of committee person to Lynne Olmos.
<b>DISTRICT ISSUES</b>	
<b>Legal Issues</b>	Lawsuit – D & O Insurance will be taking over the case. Discussion followed. The attorney will supply WAHSET with a letter of legal action should that be necessary during the meets.
<b>Chain of Command</b>	District members going out of chain of command. District issues/team issues – Chairperson Matney will be sending issues back to the District chair and team coach with a warning to the individual(s) bypassing the chain of command.
<b>District 1</b>	Fund raiser issue – communication error, the team took in monies for 3 shows they helped run. The team and facility need to hash out the split of monies.
<b>District 2</b>	HR issue – coach/parent issue. Pending.
<b>District 3</b>	Pocket Pattern Books for sale - \$10 each (Castlerock is selling them)
<b>District 4</b>	Meet report – no troubles, meet ran smoothly Team change request – not occurring per discussion with Chairperson Matney prior to the state meeting
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	Intercollegiate Dressage Association – high school students can participate  Judges – make sure contracts get out early enough (and correctly)  Chair and vice-chair will be visiting each District during 1 or more meets  Adults (over 18) – make sure all people are cognizant of laws.
<b>Open Floor</b>	Pattern suggestions submitted by Districts by July 1 from District Chairs for the purpose of including those options for the pattern judges to consider.  Need for increased specificity in pattern setup directions.  Be sure the dimensions of the courses are utilized. Chairperson Matney provided a list to the District Chairs.
<b>Next Meeting Dates</b>	April 18, 2009 at 1:00PM at the Trails End Arena, Olympia, WA June 13, 2009 at 9:00AM at the Lacey Fire station #34, Olympia, WA
<b>Adjournment</b>	Motion and second to adjourn meeting at 11:06 AM, motion carried 11:0

/s/ Bev Matney  
**Chairperson**

/s/ Tina Hancock  
**Secretary**