

SOHSET
General Membership Meeting
Friday March 28, 2008
Jackson Co. Expo

Meeting was called to order @ 12:30 by District Chair – Jim Roper

Present: Jim Roper – Chair, Jon Moser – Assistant Chair, Marritt Moser – Treasurer, Peggy Smith – Assistant Chair, Chuck Hanger – Youth Representative, Donna Steele – Secretary

Coaches or Reps present from:

- Ashland
- Crater
- Eagle Point
- Phoenix
- South Medford
- Illinois Valley
- North Valley
- Rogue River
- Henley
- Hidden Valley
- North Medford
- Grants Pass
- Bonanza

Chuck Hanger made a motion to accept the minutes. Paula Burton 2nd. Motion passed.

Marritt reported that with after paying for all events there is approx. \$13,000. left in the account. There are still some fees to pay.

All raffle tickets need to be turned in by the next meet. Volunteers are needed to sell tickets this afternoon during the Drill competition

Team rules MUST be turned in now!

Jim needs a list of representatives for the Stewardship committee. He needs phone numbers so he can call if needed. Youth and adults should be included. Our intent is to have participation of the youth in all decisions.

This is a varsity level sport. Don't make changes unless you have a good reason such as injured horse, injured athlete, etc.

Lanny will be late on Friday for the next meet. Jim will try to get Sherry Roberts to cover.

The Oregon state flag will be carried by North Medford and the American flag will be carried by Eagle Point. The National Anthem will be sung by Rogue River. There was a

discussion on whether a foreign exchange student from Eagle Point should be allowed to carry the American flag. Eagle Point made a motion to leave the decision up to Eagle Point. North Valley 2nd. 13 voted for and 1 opposed. Motion passed.

Only a coach, advisor or athlete registered with that team and with a signed code of conduct is allowed to be on a horse. This will stand as the rule. This should only occur if there is a real problem and the rider must adhere to all rules. No parents, trainers or spectators can get on a horse. At the state competition no adults at all are allowed on the horses while on the grounds.

Chuck reported that at the youth advocacy meeting the athletes voted 8-4 that a coach or parent with a signed code of conduct should be able to get on the horse.

All but Bonanza were represented at the youth advocacy meeting. The stewardship committee was covered in their meeting. The athletes requested that they be allowed to wear their jackets for competition this meet. The jackets must be worn open and with numbers. Any jacket can be worn.

Dance: The athletes voted for a dance on Saturday evening at the April competition. Each athlete will be allowed to invite 1 person outside of SOHSET. The charge will be \$1.00 per person and it will be held in the Ulsrud building unless the pavilion is available. Jim will check on this. It will run from 7:00-11:00 and a DJ has been provided. Each school needs to provide 1 chaperone. Chuck will check on the dress code and age limit and send out an email.

Awards: The athletes decided on buckles for awards. Sheets instead of coolers. The Fred Boyce award will be a large buckle and the trophy will be rotating. Embroidery donations are being sought.

The medallions have been ordered and the trophies will be ordered from the Phoenix Trophy Shop.

There will be cake and ice cream served at the awards banquet.

Peggy Smith will handle the scholarship awards.

The first week after the last meet all paperwork for the state competition must be turned in. This includes stall and camping reservations.

Jim will check on having 1 gate entry into the arena for drill at the last meet.

The Albertson's cards have been set up. Marritt will send an email with the information.

It was decided that the cattle events will start at 8:00 and the gaming events will start at 8:30 to alleviate the problem of not enough athletes for the hazing line. Phyllis made a motion. Rogue River 2nd. Motion passed. Please let the gatekeepers know if you have a scratch in a gaming event. Scratch must be made by the coach.

The trail poles were not set up correctly at the last meet. Don't let the judge dictate how they should be set up.

Jim ended the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Steele