

Northwest Sport Horse Breeders Association Board Meeting
 January 22, 2009, Tacoma, WA

Meeting began at 7:40 p.m.

Attendance:

Present/Absent	<i>Board</i>	Present/Absent	<i>Show Manager</i>
x	Chris Bredeson, President	x	Lisa Gardner
x	Patrick Billes, Vice-President		
x	Markay Kerr Secretary/Points/Awards		<i>Others</i>
x	Allison Allbaugh Treasurer	x	Carolynn Bunch, Photographer
x	Henrietta Morey, Member at Large	x	Josh Lacey
x	Jessica Wisdom, Member at Large	x	Laurel Roth
x	Cathi Bunker, Member at Large/Membership/Silent Auction		

Agenda:

I. Schooling Show

- A. **Class schedule.** The draft class schedule was reviewed. Jumping classes for 3'0" to 3'3" and 3'3" to 3'6" were added. Unit management will be contacted for appropriate footing. Course design by Laurel Roth. The show will close by 10:00 p.m. on Saturday.
- B. **Judges.** Amanda Wilgenburg will judge Saturday. A judge or judges are still needed for Sunday.
- C. **Food.** No additional food or refreshments can be sold under our contract with the Unit.
- D. **Silent Auction.** There will be no silent auction, rather item donations for prizes. Ribbons will be awarded with an additional prize for first place. In addition NWSHBA will purchase 20 assorted items between \$5 and \$10 for various awards.
- E. **Promotion.** The show is listed in the *Chronicle* and will appear in *Flying Changes* and *Horses Inc.* In addition fliers will be sent to attendees at the 2008 schooling show, NWSHBA members, and anyone who has made contact with NWSHBA in the past.
- F. **Sponsorships.** Sponsorship emphasis for this show has shifted from a silent auction to an item donation for prizes. Donations for the show will include a full page, black and white ad. Sponsors desiring color ads must prepare them and send 100 copies to Lisa Gardner by March 20, 2009.

G. **Volunteers.** Scribes are needed for Saturday, runners for both days, and announcer(s) for both days.

INVITATION:

There will a social for NWSHBA general membership and schooling show participants Friday, March 27, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at the Tacoma Unit. Arena set up for dressage will be on the agenda between visiting, sipping, and munching.

II. Breeders' Classic

A. **Class schedule, including Hunter Division.** Since the show is Labor Day Weekend, the board decided to run the Hunters on Monday (Labor Day) to accommodate those who must work on Friday and would otherwise have to take a day off from work to attend.

Pony Hunter-Jumper class was recommended. Do rules require an official measurer for hunter-jumper? USEF will be contacted for clarification.

A pending USEF decision on dual scores for Hunter Breeding will affect the class schedule. If Hunter and Dressage must be split to get dual scores, the Board agreed to run one Hunter Class if we can run the Zone 9 Hunter Breeding Finals. Clarification from USEF is expected soon.

B. **Hunter judges and USEF Approval.** Judges Don Johnson and Del Peterson were suggested pending USEF approval for the show. An approval decision from USEF is anticipated soon after Convention (January 14-18, 2009).

C. **Silent Auction.** There will be a Silent Auction at the Breeders' Classic. Cathi Bunker is coordinating the auction.

D. **Promotion.** In addition to the usual Dressage channels, the show will be promoted in Hunter-Jumper and Eventing circles.

E. **Sponsorships.** The revised 2009 form is in process for review and posting to the website.

F. **Volunteers.** No discussion or action.

G. **Other.**Carolynn Bunch agreed to be the official photographer but is unable to provide video service. Steve Grant's Fossil Productions was recommended for video.

III. Stallion Auction. NWSHBA member, Lori Whitley, volunteered and has agreed to handle the stallion auction. Her responsibilities are to handle inquiries, the PayPal mechanism, and website updates on a timely basis.

IV. Website Maintenance. There was strong interest in redesigning the website for attractiveness and increased user friendliness. Chris is following up with resources for a timely redesign of the website. In the meantime submissions for the website should be sent to Chris Bredeson, President. He will forward them to the contracted website manager.

V. Bank Account Signers. Banks require minutes approving designated check signers for an organization such as ours. Chris proposed three official signers for the organization checkbook – President, Treasurer, and Secretary.

MOVED: Jessica Wisdom moved that Chris Bredeson, President; Allison Allbaugh, Treasurer; and Markay Kerr, Secretary be designated to sign checks for the Northwest Sport Horse Breeders' Association.

SECOND: Motion second by Patrick Billes.

VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

VI. Membership. 2009 Membership Application is being revised for posting to the website. Send membership apps and payment (unless website PayPal is used) to Allison Allbaugh, Treasurer. She will handle payments and forward membership information to Cathi Bunker, Membership Director.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Markay Kerr
NWSHBA Secretary