

MEETING MINUTES ARE OFFICIAL – APPROVED AT THE 3/13/16 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

PtHA General Membership Meeting
Sunday January 3, 2016 Suzie's Diner, Syracuse NY

In attendance: Angie Slater, Denise Orman, Priscilla Nisiewicz, Florence Riley, Kelly Armstrong, Deanna Ross, Michele Hogan, Dona Scharping, Ginny Deery, Harry Deery, Elaine Sheldon-Moyer, Kathy Warne, Annette Mrzywka, Coty Hughes, Cassie Mika, Dylan DeSalvatore, Heather Calmes, Adam Slater, Kathy McCullough, Karin Smith.

The location of this meeting was changed due to the Western Ranch being closed.

Meeting called to order at 11:35 am by Adam Slater.

Reading of the Minutes: given by Annette Mrzywka & Karin Smith

Annette Mrzywka distributed and read the minutes from the March 2015 and October 2015. The October minutes needed 3 minor corrections, they will be updated and forward to Kathy McCullough to forward to the webmaster.

Motion made by Priscilla Nisiewicz to accept March and October minutes, 2nd by Dona Scharping.

Karin Smith distributed and read the November 2015 minutes.

Motion made by Denise Orman to accept minutes, 2nd by Angela Slater

Treasurer's Report: given by Kathy McCullough, Treasurer:

Total checking balance is \$18837.16, Total savings balance is \$4392.26. This gives the club \$23229.42 total monies. Kathy stated the outstanding hotel bill from the Clarion is still pending. The Clarion will not respond to her telephone calls or e-mails. Kathy will send another letter stating this is her final attempt. All other 2015 show bills have been paid. There is one correction needed on the Youth Club financials the last payment states "year-end awards" and should read "weekend show awards".

Motion made to accept Treasurer's report made by Priscilla Nisiewicz and 2nd by Heather Calmes. Approved unanimously.

Secretary report:

Ballots: 83 were mailed to the membership and 52 were received. The ballots were counted, the results are as follows and take effect immediately.

2016 Officers:

President: Denise Orman Vice President: Heather Calmes

Treasurer: Priscilla Nisiewicz Secretary: Karin Smith

2016 Board of Directors:

Kathy McCullough, Lee-Anne Dickson, Dona Schapring, Michele Hogan, Annette Mrzywka, Susan Howe, Florence Riley, and Angela Slater

Show Committee report: Given by Angela Slater Committee Chair

All of the judges have been hired and contracts will be sent. Jane Rodgers will be working the gate for the May show. The committee has been discussing a Pot Luck dinner for the Friday evening of the 4 day August

show during the SMS challenge class. Karin Smith is looking into a fish fry fundraiser for the Youth club. Kathy McCullough asked if we could change the show program by moving the *pony*/mini open driving classes to be before the youth mini driving classes. It was agreed at this meeting to move these classes. Karin Smith will update the programs for the website and membership booklet. The Mother club will be raffling a Kathy's Halter or \$300 cash.

Motion made by Dona Scharping to purchase a Kathy's Show Halter for \$325.00, 2nd by Denise Orman.
Approved unanimously.

The committee will be promoting to the Palomino exhibitors to register their horses as Solid Registry and enter the classes and the All Breed classes.

Banquet: Given by Denise Orman.

The membership booklet is all set except for a couple of pages. She has received \$1330 in ad money and has kept the book to the same number of pages.

Karin Smith reported the Youth club will be doing the Heads or Tails game as a fundraiser at the Banquet. Priscilla reminded everyone that again this year we will be having the Silent Auction, Lottery Tree Raffle and food drive. In the past the Silent Auction monies were used 50% for the Futurity/Sweepstakes classes and 50% to the Mother Club.

Motion made by Dona Scharping to have 100% of the funds goes to the mother club, 2nd by Annette Mrzywka.
Approved unanimously.

Fundraising:

Dona Scharping asked Karin Smith if the Youth Club would collect the bottles at the shows again as fundraiser. Karin agreed this would be great as long as we could find someone to return them for us, as this was an issue in the past. Cassie Mike volunteered to return the bottles for the Youth club. Karin stated she would let the Youth members know and make sure the cans are put out and bottles collected at each show. Thank you Cassie!! Kay Sheldon-Moyer brought in a copy of the "Ad" book from another club. The members of the club sell \$125.00 worth of ads for credit on their club dues or fees. Everything in the book is 100% donated. The ad's cost money and most companies donate at the end of the year. Kay will start/coordinate a book for 2017. Kay also brought a copy of the Mane Stream Newspaper. If we make them our official newspaper they will post our ads for free, contact Tina at the paper. Florence Riley offered to donate \$100.00 towards ad fees, if there are any. Denise Orman will contact Tina.

New Business:

Annette Mrzywka asked if the show committee has confirmed a Pinto rate with local hotels. Karin Smith has been the contact with the hotels on our website and states she will contact the Holiday Inn Express and Comfort Inn and verify a Pinto Rate.

Adam Slater thanked the members for everything as the past President.

The next meeting will be on 3/13/16 at 11:00am at Suzie's Diner State Fair Blvd, Syracuse

Motion made to adjourn the meeting at 12:44pm made by Dona Scharping, seconded by Heather Calmes.
Approved unanimously.