

**CoWN**  
**Minutes of the Meeting of the Board**  
**November 14, 2018**  
**6:30PM**

**Location of Meeting:**

Weld County Extension Office  
525 N 15th Ave  
Greeley, CO 80631

**Present at Meeting:** Bill Gentle, Colette Ledlow, Michelle Sterkel, Becky Kaiser, Sue Gentle, Cintia Armstrong, Kathleen McPhaul, Kim Sterkel, Kim Rounds, Lindsey Berbee, Cindy Newell (Via Internet), Jennifer Merrill (Via Internet) and Laura Edling (Via Internet)

**Absent from Meeting:** Cody Crow and Amanda Moore

The regular meeting of the Board of CoWN was called to order at 6:40PM on November 14, 2018 at Weld County Extension Office by Bill Gentle.

**I. Approval of Agenda and Review of Previous Minutes**

The agenda for the meeting was distributed and the minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed. Both were unanimously approved.

**II. Consideration of Open Issues**

1. Treasurer's Report

Michelle Sterkel stated CoWN currently has \$14,087.35 in checking and \$26,840.95 in savings for a total of \$40,928.30. That amount was said to include roughly \$4,000.00 in sponsorship funds.

2. Zoom Internet Calling

Bill Gentle indicated he has personally been paying for this service. He asked if the club wanted to pay for it or cancel it? The suggestion was made to check on other providers and pricing.

3. Winterfest Show

A show bill and tentative show schedule were distributed. Along with Bill Gentle's notes from a November 10th meeting at The Ranch.

Kim Rounds will contact judges to see if they are willing to conduct an unmounted clinic prior to the cutting.

Cindy Newell will arrive on Wednesday and have her stall fee paid for by the club for her part in managing the assignment, bedding, check-in and out. Kim Rounds will send Cindy a stall sheet.

Kim Sterkel and Lindsey Berbee are compiling a spreadsheet on paid warm-up time slots. Michelle Sterkel will purchase dry erase boards.

The board approved adding lead-line trail to follow the completion of all other trail classes. The awards to be chosen from treasure chest, managed by Cintia Armstrong.

Lindsey Berbee will arrive and set up the office on Thursday. A copy of horse registration papers, coggins and current membership will be required at check in. Walk-up entries will be accepted. Cattle and office fees will not be refundable. Square will be available (with a surcharge) for credit card payments. Open checks or cash are preferred to more easily allow for adds or scratches. Once closed out, there will be no refunds.

We need scribes. They are paid \$50.00 daily, plus one meal compensated.

New or renewed CoWN or SHTX memberships will be good for one year from date enrolled. (not Jan - Jan)

There will CoWN all-around and class awards. As well as four Appaloosa division awards.

We need to find out if there is a \$150.00 fee for vendors to set up? And if so, who it is paid to?

The board agreed to hire Scoot'em N Shoot'em photography. CoWN will pay for their hotel for the duration of the show. The board also agreed to have Chugwater Chilli provide food and there will be a musician on Saturday.

Jennifer Merrill donated \$1,000.00 to the 3yo Futurity Division. Bill Gentle, Shining KL and Jennifer Merrill all donated \$150.00 towards remaining buckle sponsorship needs.

### **III. Consideration of New Business**

#### **1. 2019 Show Schedule**

There are some dates and venues not yet finalized. However, NJC has confirmed their participation in hosting a show May 11-12th. May 17-19th is confirmed at The Ranch. And will be a collaboration with Northern Colorado Riding Club. May 31-June 1st is confirmed at The Ranch. We are looking to possibly work with an Appaloosa or Paint Club on that one. There was also some mention of perhaps trying to have that be some sort of "Summerfest" mega-show. We must do our best to keep our reserved dates at The Ranch or run the risk of not getting a show back in there, anytime soon. *The Board voted NOT to continue participation in Colorado State Fair.* We have not confirmed any show dates or locations for June, July, August or September. The Ranch is confirmed for our Winterfest on Dec 6-8th.

The board welcomes and encourages member input on the show schedule, number of shows and any other showing feedback. It was suggested that we try to get a show in Cheyenne and potentially Estes again. And Adams County has some dates available as well.

There was also a suggestion to keep AQHA Ranch Riding as part of our shows or incorporating other AQHA classes as well.

## 2. Awards Banquet

The goal is to have our year end awards banquet in February. The date and location have not been determined. Cintia Armstrong and Kim Sterkel will be in charge of this event.

3. Website was discussed. It was moved and seconded to renew Jenn Eastwoods contract for the 2019 year for \$1,000.

## **IV. Agenda and Time of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be at 6:30PM on Thursday January 10, 2019 at:

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The agenda for the next meeting has not been finalized. But will include 2019 show schedule, year end awards banquet and other topics as deemed necessary.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40PM by Bill Gentle.

Minutes submitted by Colette Ledlow.