CoWN January 23, 2024 Annual Meeting/Awards Banquet

Attendees: Cintia Armstrong, Laura Bergroth, Abbie Ferris, Bill Gentle, Troy Griffith, Lisa Hurd, and Kathleen McPhaul.

Troy called meeting to order at 12:20 pm. Introduced current board members and new members- Cole Tully, Joseph Barnett, Dianna Duncun, and Jessica Pancost). Laura motions to approve new board members, Abbie seconds.

<u>Banquet:</u> Thank you to Laura and Amanda for organizing the banquet and awards. Abbie did a slide show, but it's too bright in the room, so it will be posted on FB.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Cintia wasn't present at this point, so financials were not given.

<u>Rule/By Law Changes:</u> Troy explained the changes to the by-laws to the group. Abbie motions to pass these changes, Bill seconds. Membership approved. These new rules/changes will be posted on our website for reference. 2024 new SHTX rules are posted on SHTX's website and in our newsletter.

<u>CoWN 2024 Show Schedule:</u> The show schedule has been posted online, FB, and a copy provided at each table. Since 2020, The Ranch arena rental fees have increased 300%, which is why we're only hosting one show there this year. Cattle fees have increased 50% too. Our show fees have remained fairly consistent, but there will be a slight increase this year to accommodate these increases.

<u>Diane Wenzel:</u> She volunteered at CoWN for many years and was always at our shows, running the gate or helping out however she could. She unfortunately passed away after a long battle with cancer. We would like to set up an award in her honor; maybe call it the Spirit of CoWN.

<u>New Business</u>: Awards and points- It's the responsibility of the individual showing or the parents to keep track of these to ensure they are correct. Mistakes do happen unfortunately, so please double check the results after the show. Show results are final 48 hours/2 days after each show. Per SHTX rules, results and points are finalized at the show or posted on a public forum (website, or FB).

Old Business: None.

Next meeting: February 12, 2024 at 7 pm.

<u>Adjournment</u>