

CoWN May 13, 2024 Board Meeting

Attendees: Cintia Armstrong, Joseph Barnett, Laura Bergroth, Kerry Cogburn, Diana Duncan, Abbie Ferris, Bill Gentle, Troy Griffith, Lisa Hurd, Jessica Pancost, and Cole Tully.

Troy called meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

Last Meeting Minutes: No changes. Motion to approve Joseph, Lisa seconds it.

Treasurer's Report: \$3,247. 14 checking, \$38,573.50 money market. Spring Fling hotels booked, buckles ordered. Cintia is setting up a Venmo account for event payment.

Scholarships: Received applications from Miranda Crisp, Madison Moore, Ty Kraft, and Kelsi Douglas this year. All are eligible. This is the first time we've had 4 applicants. The Board awarded \$3,000 in scholarships last year (\$1,500 for two people). If we did \$3k again, it would be \$750/applicant. For our nonprofit status with taxes, we can write it off. Bill moves to give each applicant \$1,000, Cole seconds it. Motion passes. Cintia sends the money directly to the college, so they will need to contact her. Jessica will post online.

Ranch Horse Spectacular: 80 CoWN entries (got \$10 for each entry because they signed up for a membership), last year we only have 35. We still need a tractor driver and someone to clean the bathrooms. Tough for people to come in the middle of the week for a show. CoWN cutting class points will be pulled out. People asking for all around results- Troy and Abbie haven't heard back yet. Doug handed out buckles from the 2023 show and 2024 champions. It was a good show.

Spring Fling: Abbie and Kimber will try and have tablets and router so we can keep adds/scratches at the gate. Would need thousands of feet of Ethernet cable. Have a hotspot, but need A/C power to them. Could run an extension cord, but the scribes need them too in the outdoor arena. Abbie is trying to figure it out. Might have to do hand tabulation for the outside classes. Bill has a generator he can donate. Need gate help. Have scribes. No one wants to volunteer. AQHA is paying \$200/day/scribe; we were paying \$100-\$120. We will pay \$150 and mileage since it's an AQHA show. We pay mileage and AQHA doesn't. Need Sunday help. Joseph has some apprentices that might be able to help. Jessica is willing to scribe and not compete because she's going for her AQHA judge's card.

Diane Wenzel and Spirit of CoWN Awards: Abbie created a Google doc where people can apply for either award. Jessica put it online. Lisa made a flyer and nomination form. There are 10 nominations in there currently. Jessica will repost the link on FB. Abbie will have to make it accessible for the Board. Order pins so people can wear them. Jessica to talk to Travis and see what he has available.

Clinic: At Kathleen's on May 25 (Memorial weekend). Troy will email Kathleen for an update.

Magazine: Livestock Reporter and Wrangler would like us to do an ad in their magazines. \$200 for each ad for a one time ad for one month. The Reporter horse addition comes out next month. We will not proceed with either of these.

Trail Standards: Bill would like metal standards for them vs the concrete bags. Joseph has the metal so we don't have to buy them. Bill and Joseph can weld them.

New Business: Diana and Joseph- looking to fill the President position for next year. There isn't a lot of incentive to take this job on. If we could afford it, could we offer the President free entries for their term or just stall fees. Discuss next meeting. Joseph motions, Cintia seconds it.

Abbie would like to offer L1 riders an award at shows. We have plenty of leftover awards we can use. We can also go to the tack store or vets and ask for some donations of stuff. Give awards to the top 5.

Diana will help with hanging banners at the shows. Will have Joseph help with cattle.

Old Business: None.

Next meeting: June 17, 2024 at 7 pm.

Adjournment: Motion for adjournment by Abbie, Joseph seconds.