NORTHWEST GEORGIA HORSEMAN'S ASSOCIATION

Meeting Minutes August 20, 2015

Meeting location at Stars and Strikes, Dallas, GA. Board of Directors meeting opened 6:15 pm: Present: Keri Davidson, Linda Pechenino, Allison Witt, Karen Fallon, Sheri Fennell, Jessica Nguyen, Trudy Umfuhrer, Donnie Williams and Melissa Kane.

Minutes from July meeting were read. Motion to accept by Karen, second Melissa. Motion approved.

Treasurer report: no report available. Will be presented later by treasurer.

Old Business:

Note: this general membership meeting is held for members to obtain their state work hours slots through a drawing and to obtain the financial reward being given by Northwest and by PCSC.

Note: Photographer in attendance to provide info on photos at the show (later this evening).

State T shirt designs presented and voted on an acceptable design. Several considered.

Tractor drivers are being finalized for the state show (both running and pleasure rings). Donnie item.

Photographer spoke to group asking for presales for pictures. Numerous members signed up for the presales session. (David Avant@ gmail.com)

Radios to be provided by Linda (10 as a minimum) (Item on track)

Announcers and ring steward positions are finalized. Brian Snitzer, Kate Whiting, Patrick/Laurie Smith, Melissa Kane and others to fill in as necessary. Hotel rooms as necessary are booked.

New Business: Allison Garner Sportsmanship Award winner is announced: Winner is Dane Valentine. Other nominees were announced also.

Before the work hours drawing begins, President Keri Davidson reminded the state show riders/exhibitors that failure to work assigned state job hours will result in a \$100 fine and forfeit of eligibility to show at the 2016 state show. Also, coggins are required to be on each stall door and will be inspected by the Agricenter personnel. Class scratches should be passed to Keri as soon as possible. There are no dogs allowed in the stalls. Earliest arrival is 8 am Thursday morning. Patterns are posted on the web site. Info for newcomers: Northwest has won the pleasure trophy for the past 9 years and hopes to win again this year. There will be an all riders/exhibitors meeting in the pleasure barn on Friday night at 7 pm to pass out numbers, T shirts, and pizza. Notice to members that extra help will be needed this year since we are hosting. Call Sheri to volunteer. She also is keeping a list of those who will work for someone for payment. (payment should be \$10 per hour for a 2 hour slot.) Please show up for your chosen slot, note that some did not show up for their slots last year.

There was an issue by Bartow that a rider who is credited with qualifying for a state slot is not a member in good standing in the Bartow club. This issue will be discussed by the board of directors and Bartow

president, Patrick Smith, as well as the individual in question. A decision will be made on this issue later tonight.

Sheri presented the Princess and Queen candidates with buckles from Paulding County Saddle Club. Northwest (NWGHA) presented directors chairs as their award.

Re announced to the membership:

2015 - 2016 NEW OFFICERS: FOLLOWS

President: Keri Davidson VP: Jessica Nguyen VP Running: Donnie Williams

Secretary: Laura Valentine Treasurer: Linda Pechenino

Chaplain: Linda Pechenino Parliamentarian: Karen O'Fallon

Public Relations: Melissa Kane Sergeant at arms: Trudy Umfuhrer

Pointskeeper/Web: Allison Witt

Motion made and seconded to adjourn at approximately 715 pm: Motion passed.

Linda Pechenino

Secretary