

CUTTIN' LOOSE CLUB OF WASHINGTON
BOARD MEETING MINUTES MAY 20, 2018
San Blas Mexican Restaurant, 11012 Canyon Rd E, Puyallup, WA

Meeting called to order at 5:43 pm.

Board Members Present at meeting: Gayle Wilkinson, Tim Shea, Pegeen Anderson, Matt Thomas, Dianna Breen, Laura Pauls, Marcy Naubert

Approve meeting minutes: March 25, 2017 Board meeting minutes approved (Matt motion, Pegeen 2nd)

Treasurer's Report: Laura reports we lost about \$400 on the last show due to more fresh cow entries and less used entries. Bank balance is approximately \$11,500.

- Audit Status is complete thanks to Laura and Jane Roundtree. Everything looked good and there were a few suggested changes such as more detailed accounting for sorting entries.
- CLCOW Future: Gayle discussed the future of the club given the current number of entries and losing money each show. In other words, how bad does it get before "we pull the plug"? Tim discussed this year is not that much different from previous years in that we historically lose money each show. We will definitely finish this season and evaluate for next year.

Gayle's Jackpot Summary: Gayle reports we lost around \$200 dollars on the Jackpot held at Gayle's Cutting Edge arena. There were not enough entries or enough turnback help. Thankfully Skunk came and helped turnback on foot! Gayle will not hold another Jackpot next year. Last year we made almost \$1500 which Gayle donated to the club. Pegeen stated this was a Club function and Gayle should not be responsible for the losses. Marcy motioned to reimburse Gayle for her losses, Matt 2nd. **Gayle will submit itemized bill to Laura.** However, we had 18 bales of hay left over from the last show at Stewarts which Gayle will use to replenish the hay she pulled from her barn which will reduce losses.

2018 Spring/Summer Series Show: April 21, June 16 & 30, July 21, August 25, September 29

- Hay: Kimball's Ranch will deliver round bales @ \$50 each to Stewarts for our shows with any leftovers going to Stewarts for their cows to clean up. **Marcy will contact Kimball's and arrange a delivery for the next show.**
- Flag: **Tim has the CLCOW flag and will make sure it is available for the June 16 show.** Flag practices are free to members and Gayle will offer flag lessons on Friday night for \$10. We will also offer a "flag class" and add to the class list for Saturday's activities.
- Cows: Gayle reports Mel, our cow person, is less than happy with the number of cows we have been ordering. Gathering and delivering cows needs to be cost effective. We are averaging around 70 cows and should have at least 100.
- Food: The food situation is working well and we will continue what we've been doing.
- Raffle: We will have a 50/50 raffle for the June 16 show – half the proceeds go to the winner, half to CLCOW for the youth trip to Casade.
- Show Secretary: We have been closing the table when Laura is not available for showing/warm-up and that seems to be working well, no negative comments received.

- Facebook announcement: Dianna will create a flier for the June 16 show with flag and raffle information.
- Entry form: Issues are resolved for now with the website. Laura, Tim and Matt will figure out best way to line up the cows/classes/practices on Friday night to ensure the right number of fresh cows are added to the herd at the right time.

Youth Trips to Cascade and Ft. Worth:

- Cascade: last year we spent around \$600 with five riders going. We paid one class entry fee, and one night stall/RV. This year we expect to sponsor three youth riders for the August 3-5 show and will contribute the raffle earnings towards the effort. Gayle will communicate with the kids they must be prepared and Kianna needs to work out NCHA issues.
- Ft. Worth Scholarship Cutting Trip status: Dianna looked into a Go Fund Me page and assigned Ella to detail all the costs. Gas is estimated to be \$1000, stalls are \$75 plus shavings and entry fees \$200 (dates are from July 19-31, showing on July 24). Having the horses conditioned and tuned for such a trip is crucial and Gayle let the kids know well in advance this was the criteria for going. Because the kids have not been preparing themselves or their horses for the trip, it was decided to cancel the Ft. Worth trip. The Club's limited funds are better spent on Cascade.

Sponsor Status: *We need more!*

- Kipert's (Marcy delivered paperwork to Roxy), Country Square (Tim has not talked with recently), Buzz Inn (Gayle spoke with Julie and she agreed to sponsor and needed to download the form), King Feed generously donated \$300.
- CCC sponsorship: the live feed appeared to work well.

Banquet: Tentative dates are set for October 27 or November 3. Gayle will talk with Kelly and check with Buckley Hall on available dates and reserving the hall.

NCHA Challenger program: On hold for this year.

Next Board Meeting is scheduled for Sunday 5:00 pm, July 15th at San Blas Mexican Restaurant.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.