

## PSHA 2024 Annual Meeting

Silver Reef Casino – Ferndale Washington

Meeting called to order at 9:05am

We are family.

2023 meeting minutes: Klayton T motions to accept minutes as written, Jason F seconds, passed

**Financials** – Klay- putting savings in some sort of investment to earn better interest. Flurish is what interstate uses, lets talk to Marv about this. Working on organizing budgets. Candice motions to accept financials as written, Kory second, passed

Queen Emma- Hello everyone, so happy to have a chance to see people not with horses. Looking forward to the activities today.

**Interstate report:** Kelbi- going back to Clark County

Interstate Princess Maddy Olson: So excited to start my journey. Fund raiser tonight after dinner. Looking forward to getting to know more members and supporting interstate.

We won interstate by riding as a family. So proud of our Juniors again this year for stepping up and riding clean.

**Rules committee-** Jill, great year. No big issues. Just a few stewards' reports. No need for calls or meetings. We really need people to step up as judges and timers. We are severely lacking and if we don't have judges and timers we can't ride. Kids 16 and older. We must also be willing to teach. Kena- maybe announce at the beginning of each show if there is anyone that wants to work on timers or judges card to help encourage.

**State Finals:** Melanie- Thank you all! I had so much help. I was very anxious about it but every time I turned around there was someone there asking how they could help. Overall, it went very well. Sponsorships! Let's get it done early again. It was great to have it done early this year so that items could be ordered in time for state.

**Executive:** trying to do things behind the scenes to improve how the committee functions. We are trying to make the organization more transparent. Starting with the website, making times available. We are working on improving the website. Thank Emma Murphy for stepping up and taking over the website. Emma- I appreciate the feedback cause if our older membership can't find something a new member surely won't find it. Please just email me if you have any concerns or suggestions. The executive committee is starting to have more frequent meetings. Trying to move with the times and update our payment methods. My personal goal is to be able to take card/electronic payment by spring. Budget proposals, we now have a little money in savings and it would be wise to get back to having a budget for things like state finals and convention.

**Annual meeting:** The last few years it has fallen on Jamie and Melonie. We have a list of criteria as a place to start when looking at venues. We are really looking for someone to step up and help in planning.

**Clubs:** Valley Riders may not have shows.

GRSC we are still surviving. We got a new tractor! Potlucks on Saturday nights. We have nice bathrooms with showers. Rhonda- the ground is really good.

SSSC Nita- has really grown the last couple years. There is a trail course now. We have been doing lots of work on the ground. We have showers too!

NVR Kelvin- Winter series starts next weekend. Showers! The awards banquet is Nov 16<sup>th</sup>. Amber- We have almost 300 members.

Appleatchee- Jill- still small. Need timers and judges. Think we are going to try to work towards switching to the new computer system this season.

Agnew- Jamie- actually doing pretty well still. We do not have showers! Jeff is the man! Has put so much time and money into improving the facility.

How do we grow? We must help educate the kids. NVR pulls so many 4H kids. Let's work on grabbing those WASHET kids. We are much more affordable than a barrel race. As a group we need to be more welcoming and better at explaining what our group rides for. We have some crusty curmudgeons. Nita- at Yelm barrel race, we are trying to advertise PSHA. I want to pay a sponsorship just to get the name out there and get people asking what PSHA is.

Co-Sanctioned just has to be PSHA approved, set up to our pattern size, and have PSHA officials.

**Old business-** none

Take 10 min break before new business @ 10:05am

Start back up at 10:18am

**New business-** leftover apparel from state and interstate.

Life time members- no new suggestions

## **Proposals**

Proposal 1:

By Law Proposal:

Submitted by Jamie Parks

Page 79 Article IV section 2 Duties.

I propose adding:

1. The Executive Board will meet quarterly from November through April and Monthly from May through August to review organization financials and discuss other topics that are affecting the organization. This meeting can be done via Teams, Zoom or in person.
2. The Meeting will be scheduled by the President the second week of the month, or as the team can come together, so that there is time for previous month financials to be completed and shared by the treasurer with the Executive Board for review prior to the meeting.

The entire section would read:

The Executive Board shall have the responsibility for conducting the day-to-day business of the Patterned Speed Horse Association.

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Purpose: We need to establish a cadence and timing of meetings to ensure that the Executive team is informed of the status of the organization. This will also give better visibility to the financials of the organization.

Kelbi second

There is no standard right now, we need better structure as the organization grows.

Kirk- do we need to put this in? The president can request a meeting at any time.

Jamie- just trying to hold all of us more accountable and as we move to the future and other people stepping up to run the organization we want to have a standard.

Klay called question, Jill second

Passes

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Proposal 2:

Submitted by Cassie Alexander

Page 48, Section 11 Show approvals No. 4.

I propose to add: 2-man and 4-man team events.

Such that it would read "Show management has the option to offer up to 4 open classes per individual events and option to offer 2 open classes per 2-man and 4-man team events."

It currently reads: "Show management has the option to offer up to 4 open classes per individual events.

The reason for this addition is simply to allow the same opportunity for 2- and 4-man team events to run as is offered in individual events.

Kena second

Jill proposes to table until after proposal 3, Jason second, Cassie accepts, passes  
Proposal 3 fails, move back to proposal 2

Kelbi second

Kirk- clarification- doesn't show management have to offer a jackpot.

Jill- friendly amendment. Offer 2 open classes in 2 & 4 man team events. Cassie accepts,  
Rhonda second

Patty- what about bareback, horse running a lot

Nita- you could already run teams twice, just don't offer jackpot

Jason- amend Jills ... with no option for jackpot.

Jamie- let's not put jackpot into this rule. That should be addressed within the jackpot rule itself.

Jill calls for question, Kena second for amendment by Jill

Passed

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Proposal 3:

Submitted by Klayton Tjoelker

Page 25, Section 5: Competition General Rules #2

I propose to add under #2:

- a) At any State approved show, any given horse can make up to but no more than 14 runs, including both individual and team events, per day. This is to be monitored by show management or office administration. Run count is to reset at start time of the following show day. Any runs made over and above 14 runs in one day will result in a no time.

The Section would then read:

2. The same horse/rider combination may appear only once in the same individual event. Same horse or rider may appear multiple times in an individual event.

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Reasoning:

- To stay true to our mission statement to "Promote humane treatment of our horse athletes".
- To maintain a good reputation in the eyes of spectators, sponsors, visiting riders, etc.
- To protect the longevity and comfort of our animal athletes.

Jason second

Paula- how do we make the show chair responsible for monitoring.

Rhonda- Diana Lein asked me to specifically to ask who monitors this.

Kena- this would affect the people that share horses. Lead line could be affected

Cassie- I'm training a new horse, what if I just want to trot 4 times.

Shannon- trying to bring in new riders, hard for management when we are only tracking the rider number, not the horse number. This will decrease ride count. New people coming in.  
Paula- shouldn't the rider be responsible for horses well being  
Shannon- show management has the right to tell a rider that they are done riding.  
Nita- when we had ABCD, A could only run an event twice. I like what this stands for and it is sad that we must potentially make a rule. It really could affect our ride count.  
Jason- thinking about our image as an organization. We have the open public that come to our shows and see how some of the horses are over worked.  
Kena- most clubs only offer 2 classes and a jackpot  
Katrina-Should this be at a club level instead of whole group  
Melanie- do we have a statement instead of a rule at either club or org level that we will not allow the horses to be over worked  
Jamie- I have had to have those conversations at our shows with 4H kids. It is very hard.  
Klay- I am open for suggestions, I just wanted to get the subject to be discussed.  
Cassie- on the flip side, if you can only ride so many times, you can come out and help, get your judges and timers cards!  
Rhonda- should we just start at only offering 2 groups. A place to start  
Shannon- small shows only pay for themselves by people running multiple times  
Larry- bareback relay, only 1 run  
Shannon calls the question, Kena Second  
Vote counted- proposal fails  
Thank you Klay for bringing up this discussion and getting us thinking.

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Proposal 4:

Submitted by Amber Kerntke

Page 47, Section 11: State Show Approval

I propose to re-write this section to represent last chance weekend be no later than the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of July. It would read something like:

#### SECTION 11: STATE SHOW APPROVAL

Individual PSHA members or clubs may sponsor a PSHA show.

**When:** Shows may be held any day of the with one or more events. The last show counting towards the current year will be no later than the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend in July. No other state shows will be held on State Finals Championship Show weekend, Interstate Championship Meet weekend, or the same weekend as the Judges and Timers Clinic. There may also be no shows scheduled after the last weekend of the show season which will not exceed the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend in July.

**Approval Fee:** \$10.00 per day plus 1.25 per ride, including nonmembers, in all PSHA approved events. Ride fees will increase as follows: 2024 season \$1.25 per ride and 2025 season \$1.50 per ride.

**Entry Fee:** A show's entry fees must be the same for all events and riders. Special fees for sponsoring club members shall be cause for disallowing said club member's times.

Reasoning: This would allow more time for the State Times Keeper and State Finals committee to get ready for the show while not moving the event from the current weekend.

Jason second

Cassie- how is this different from what we do now.

Emma- if there are 5 weeks in the month would it still be the 3<sup>rd</sup> week or just the second to last week

Shannon- We need that last weekend to help support the club and help our members get averages. Weather slows us down in the spring.

Nita- we should ask our times keeper

Candice- as a rider I need that weekend. As times keeper it is a crunch to get it done but I would prefer to move state finals a weekend. Hardest obstacle- getting invites out is pretty quick. Getting responses slows us down. People don't even know what state is. Having to call people and explain to new members.

Jason- moving state will greatly affect NVR because of fair.

Kena- everyone has fair problems that time of year.

Cassie- friendly amendment. Change it to only being able to run Saturday of last chance weekend. Amber declines.

Katrina- all the 4H fairs stagger so it will always be a problem

Kena calls question, Jessica seconds

Fails

Melonie- PSHA starting a junior royalty court. 16 and under. Help bring in sponsorships. Not competing against each other. Just a way to help raise money, going out to the public, not just going to our members for money. We would come up with a reward system for money raised. This could also grow the interstate princess program. I would love to have help with this. Not sure if this needs to become a rule or is it just a program we could start. Shannon- stop micromanaging, let her do it. Mel- would love a committee to help come up with the guidelines. Could follow structure of Interstate. We are all in agreement that this should be an outside committee.

## **Elections**

Kirk presents nominations

Rules committee- Cassie Alexander accepts- Jason motions for unanimous vote, Kory second, passed

Secretary- Lauren Garrett accepts, Candice motions for unanimous vote, Kory second, passed

Treasurer- Shannon Fadden accepts, Jason motions for unanimous vote, Kory second, passed

VP- Emma Murphy accepts, Jason motions for unanimous vote, Jane second, passed

President- Jamie Parks accepts, Jason motions for unanimous vote, Kory second, passed

Thanks everyone for the good open conversations. Please step up. We need more people wanting to be involved to continue to grow this organization.

Kory motions to close the meeting, Emma second, meeting closes at 11:46pm.