

A WASH Board meeting was held March 1, 2015. The meeting was called to order at 12:00 PM at the Whistle Stop Ale House in Renton, Washington.

Board members present:

Joe Haynes, President
Jane Hickman, Secretary
Judy Norris, Treasurer
Cheryl Munson, Director
Sandy Johnson, Director
Heather Haynes, Director
Maggi McClure, Director

WASH members present:

Bob Hickman, Past President
Robin Morgan (new member who just joined)

Committee reports:

Treasurer: Currently there is \$6331.26 in the bank account. A break down of the past year's expenditures are as follows:

Bank charges (mandatory) -	36.00 (12 weeks at \$3.00)
Website (mandatory) -	107.45
Insurance (mandatory) -	761.00 (due in April)
Donations -	100.00
Publicity (decals) -	295.00
Awards -	436.00
Sunshine fund -	479.00
Printing (directories) -	298.93

In order to do a budget, we need to break down recurring costs and then add a percentage for base costs. The only income we have is membership dues. The website was renewed for 5 years at a cost of \$87.45.

Membership: There are 173 (including 20 lifetime) paid memberships as of this date. We have 3 new members since our last meeting.

Secretary: A bill was presented for secretarial expenditures totaling \$154.00. A note of appreciation from Diane Pagel was read.

Webmaster: No report.

Old Business:

Raffle - Tabled indefinitely.

WASH bylaws - Tabled with a small discussion. It was decided that a special meeting will be held April 4th to discuss just the bylaws. Reservations will start at 11:00 for lunch, with the meeting to start at 12:00. It will be at the Yankee Diner in Renton. It's right off 167 & 405 next to the Red Lion Inn. We have a semi private room reserved.

Membership Perks - There was a discussion about a WASH sponsored fun day trial. Joe suggested that this trial be open to Pro Novice and Novice Novice handlers only with all Open handlers acting as mentors, i.e. give advice and be able to help the new handlers. WASH will cover the costs to the host. Maggi has a horse trainer willing to do a teleconference (call-in questions) for free. Maggi will write it up and post it to the website to test interest before setting a date and time.

Trial Results - Norm Rivers (Statistician) has been contacted and agreed to send the results, as received, to the webmaster.

Sunshine Fund - There was a discussion about being able to do a memorial donation to the Sunshine Fund. Tabled pending further information.

Board Goals -

Joe - Will host a free non-open handler (preferably novice) clinic tentatively on Sunday, June 14th. This will be the first of two clinics. Joe will create a draft to post on the website.

Cheryl - Presented an outline for livestock management. Some of the topics to be covered during this clinic would be: understanding and caring for sheep; how to read sheep; what you can learn from sheep and what the benefits are; using a dog on sheep; setting sheep.

Dave - No report but there was a discussion concerning one of his goals. The annual award for highest USBCHA pointed WASH member is currently included in the awards program, stated as the top two will receive awards. Also discussed was his recommendation for top rookie award.

New Business:

Mary Ann Lindsay Award - A donation of \$100 to Ravensgate was approved by the board.

Member request - A WASH member requested WASH do a benefit trial in the theme of

beating cancer. A discussion ensued and the board approved the decision to support such a trial through our trial host assistance program.

Next meeting - The next meeting will be held May 2, 2015, lunch at 11:00 AM, convene at 12:00. The location will be determined.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Hickman
WASH Secretary