

Cascade Cow Cutters

November 11, 2017

Agenda

Meeting Called to order at 10:13AM

Members Present: Brent Stewart, Leah Stewart, Dan and Rusanne Wagner, Nina Lundgren, Bruce Pinkerton, Erin Eaton, Victor Dickson, Ross Hansen, Jane Roundtree, Sue and Jack Kitt

1) 2018 Fairground Contract

i) Meeting to come at 1:30 with Jill Sheffer and County Commissioner Paul Jewel.

b) Venue Change for 2019?

i) As of right now Ross made a motion not to change venues, Victor seconded the motion. It was voted by the board to keep the venue in the same location.

2) Show Schedule

a) Proposed 2018 dates from fairgrounds

i) 4/6-4/8, 5/11-5/13, 6/29-7/1 (can we move to the following weekend, this is not the first full weekend of the month? Date to be decided with the fairgrounds), 8/2-8/4, 9/19-9/22

ii) 3/9-3/11, 4/20-22, 6/8-6/10-Bonina Co Approved Shows

iii) For 2019 try and get the dates for the fairgrounds on the first weekend of the month.

iv) The board decided that this year a June show date will not be feasible. The dates available at the fairgrounds is too close to other shows, meaning a decrease in attendance and not a good idea for the club. It can be looked at for 2019. It was decided to co approve the Bonina shows in the Ellensburg, Friday through Sunday format.

v) The two series shootout will continue in the same format as the prior years.

3) Footing update - Stored at fairgrounds

a) Needs to be discussed at the meeting this afternoon with Jill and Paul.

b) Last year the club bought 75 yards, hauled in was \$3100. Bill agreed to do our showgrounds again for the 2018 show season.

c) Need to look at having our own equipment to be able to work the ground more often to fill in the holes in the arena. Possibly get sponsors with equipment willing to work the ground or pay the fairgrounds for more workups.

4) Arena Layout

a) To change the arena layout, we would need to add two gates, preferably noble. Bruce motioned we get the two gates for the pen change Ross seconded, and the board voted to get

the gates needed for the pen change. Ross will donate the tarps needed to accommodate this change. Fairgrounds would need to implement our changes by helping to set up and take down the panels and changing the location of the judge's stand and video stand.

5) Cattle update

- a) Erin will update after her meeting with the cattle suppliers. The cattle are being put out to bid.

6) Shavings

- a) The Fairgrounds has made it an option to purchase shavings directly from them on location. However this is hard to police and the honor system does not work. Shavings will stay the same, one bag will be included in the price of the stalls, and all subsequent shavings are the responsibility of the individual stall holder.

7) Co-approved shows

- a) Already addressed

8) Classes

- i) **\$1000 Novice Horse to \$1500 Novice Horses**

- (1) Cheapest class we have now, Jane made a motion to move it to \$1500 Dan seconded. The board voted to up the \$1000 novice to the \$1500 novice, no jackpot will be added at this time.

9) Show Lunches

- a) Erin updated, the 4-H group from last year has agreed to do all of the shows for the 2018 season.

10) Entry Fees

- a) **Fee change? Set up and Take down Fee?**

- i) Late fee for late entries. It was decided that late fees for late entries will not be applied this year. We will however be posting on Facebook and the website for reminders to those members that may lose track of the coming show dates. If we cannot curb the late show entries a late fee, or a possible no show policy will be implement in the following year to help remedy late entries.
- b) Pay Raise for Sue, Nina made a motion to raise to \$5, the board voted to give Sue a raise to \$5.

11) Finance update

- a) Over \$5,500 left in stallion auction fund.
- b) \$30,000 in the bank - \$1300 still needs to be paid out for shavings to old mill.

- c) \$5200 in money for the youth scholarship account.
- d) P and L Club brought in \$433,424.83, spent \$428,503.47. This included the stallion auction. About \$10,220.00 in sponsorship money was brought in for 2017.

- i) Motion was made to accept the financials, board voted to accept. Please see the 2017 Balance Sheet and P & L located on the website.

e) **SPONSORSHIPS**

- i) Brent would add the ability to sponsor a specific class. A figure that would give added money into one class for the year including the year end award. It was decided that we can pitch to potential to sponsor specific classes to possible sponsorships if the request or need arises.
 - ii) Ross made the motion to keep the packet the same, Erin seconded the motion, all voted to keep the packet the same.

12) Stallion Auction

- a) Have 15 stallions already in contract for the 2018 stallion auction. 16 more stallions that are being worked on. Stallion auction in 2016 had 548k hits on the website and in 2017 100k less hits. Big Skye website says with having our website in an older format that is not mobile friendly it is hindering the amount of people coming to our site for the auction. Also updating the site will help in the placement for google searches.

- (1) Updating the website as a whole which will include creating a stallion auction only page that is linked into the main club website at \$2800 and will allow mobile friendly and give a better mobile friendly stallion auction. The other option is to create a stallion auction only website which would help the stallion auction to be in the forefront of search engines. The board voted unanimously for the entire website to be updated into a mobile friendly version with a new website created for the stallion auction and an easier online entry system.

- (2) It was suggested a stallion video to be created for showing on the live video feed during the Ellensburg shows, would highlight the stallions that donated to the club and be a great thank you for the stallion owners.

b) **Use of Stallion Auction Funds**

- i) It was decided that the use of stallion auction funds will be further discussed in January before the auction is over. The next meeting is TBD.

13) Budget for Awards

- a) Don Bacon is willing to bid for the year end awards, however Hammond is willing to work with us as well, he has been our current award maker.
- b) Went over budget in 2017 by \$2000 for the year end awards. A committee will be created to take the bids for the 2018 year end awards.

14) Website/Facebook- Needs updating

- a) The club should be using the website and Facebook to recognize our members accomplishments for the area and region, and those members qualifying for world.
 - i) Jane Roundtree will take over the website.
- b) Facebook- More communication to membership.
 - i) Erin will take the Facebook page. Erin needs help from the board and club members on news and updates!

15) Quarterly News Letters from the board and President

- a) The board unanimously decided to have a letter from the board and president every quarter starting in the beginning of the year.

16) Dick Nading Fund- How do we get Money into this fund?

- a) Put on the website and make it known to potential sponsors that this specific fund can be contributed to. Can have a club fundraiser at one of the socials or shows.

17) Youth Scholarship – Needs to be implemented by March-April

- a) Rusanne and Sharmon will do the youth scholarship for 2017. Rusanne and Sharmon gave the board a written proposal of how the scholarship format and paperwork would look. The format for the youth scholarship was not decided on and is tabled until the January meeting date TBD.

18) Assign Committees:

- a) **Show Management - Stall shavings, RV counts, tractor work, ground maint.**
 - i) Sand Committee- Ross Hansen
 - ii) Show committee- Dan agrees to do the pre and post show walk through with the fairgrounds per the new contract.
 - iii) Shavings- Erin will head with Old Mill
 - iv) Show management- Jason Schafer
- b) **Banquet - Planning, reservations, decorations, set up and tear down**
 - i) Erin- Caterer
 - ii) Janie Larson- ?
- c) **Sponsorship - Local and national sponsors**

- i) Ross
- ii) Jane
- d) **Stallion Auction**
 - i) Nina and Crew!
- e) **Food/Concessions**
 - i) Erin
- f) **Fundraiser/Youth Programs - CCC fundraising functions at shows, Youth**
 - i) Rusanne and Sharmon
- g) **Awards - Ordering all awards within our budget and organizing shipping location**
 - i) Jane and Tiffany
- h) **Judges**
 - i) Josh Sleeman and Ross Hanson
 - (1) Nina Airline accomidation
 - (2) Jane Motel
- i) **Cattle**
 - i) Erin, Bruce and Ross
- j) **Social**
 - i) Jason Schaffer

The meeting was called to order at 1:18PM

Meeting minutes submitted by Erin Eaton CCC Secretary.