



OHIO VALLEY ARABIAN HORSE ASSOCIATION

2021 Meeting Attendance/Minutes

Date of Meeting: ___5-5-2021_____

Officers		Board Members		Committee Chairs	
E	Sara Debolt Siemon – President		Bethany Greutman (21)		(Membership)
	Cassie Greutman - Vice President	E	Kirsty Jones ('21)		
E	Sherri Lewis - Treasurer	E	Trv-lyn Matta ('22)		Trv-lyn Matta (SS)
E	Sharon Hanks - Secretary	E	Amanda Smith('22)		
					Past President: Sherri Lewis
	Quorum				

P= Present, E=Electronically attended (either via Skype or conference call), Blank -= not present

Meeting: **Regular** or Special

Notice given: Via e-mail, web page and Facebook page

Also present: N/A

Location and Time: , Meeting was held electronically via ZOOM and commenced at 8:43

Topic of discussion was the viability of the club and would we have enough volunteers for our events.

Sara said we would have enough volunteers for the Funday.

Trv-lyn felt we need to consider some questions, such as what is our focus, and what do we want.

We talked about Sizzler. Will be affiliated it with Central State/Miami Valley Horse Shows?

- Even at Open shows they're point shows.
- Do bullet points
- Go to people who aren't members and ask, what would make you join
- Do a questionnaire
- Offer an incentive to answer, such as a gift cared for a random winner
- Reaching out to the membership

Sherri suggested reaching out via phone and maybe do a survey and then follow-up

Trv-lyn felt we needed to get back to our grass roots, and re-focus the club. We don't have focus of Regionals and Nationals.

Amanda commented that she had never really heard of the club, didn't know there were different clubs. In seven years, hasn't heard of too many club activities. Target people who just want to have fun with their horses. Have a few (clinics, etc) with horses, to people who are new to horses and give them technical aspects. Could do a virtual show, Tik-Tok videos, etc.

Kirsty mentioned that no one reached out to her. She is not into main ring showing. To be honest the club has learned anything. Suggested classes about preparing a horse for showing, grooming, etc. Do a few videos.

Sherri said missing technical points. Maybe do clinics and educational classes.

Sara – had not involved them. Admitted to slacking off lately and had been overwhelmed. We must follow-through and move on. Suggested why not treat the club at shows like a 4-H club? Go to open shows and have curtains, banners, etc with club logo. Each week do a weekly or once a month virtual lesson. Literally create an adult 4-H.

Trv-lyn – Get us out into open show. They get to use our curtains/banners, and members go and support them.

Kirsty – film and have a lesson with others. Have the option and presence at shows, go as a club. Could have things such as OVAHA saddle pad to use at show, and vests and jackets.

Sara – suggested each board member give a Zoom lesson virtually. Does it have to be just for our members, or could do Facebook live. Some ideas are, braiding video, grooming. Could have an OVAHA calendar (like a Google calendar) where we could log in and watch, or commit to a date to do one.

Kirsty and Amanda thought Facebook Live would work better. Or YouTube (club does have its own channel).

Need to check with members to see who does tech stuff.

Need to outreach to members, and survey members what they want. Kirsty will do it via Google Docs.

Trv-lyn wants asked do we want an Arabian show, want a 2-day or 1-day show. Do like Miami Valley volunteer hours are eligible for a scholarship.

Sizzler: 4-H club will clean stalls. Need volunteers. This year we decided to do a 1-day show, on Sunday, as an AHA Value Show, with Main ring classes and SHUS classes. Will have open breed classes and ranch classes. Need to get word out, get a judge and a show secretary.

Trv-lyn will set up a show bill and send it out.

Amanda will be second name on club bank accounts and will work with Sherri.

Do a Time Tree for OVAHA where you can put on a calendar to post videos, meetings, etc.

Meeting adjourned at 10:04