

# Washington 4-H Equine Advisory Committee

## March 28, 2004

Present: Barbara Ferguson, Lola Whitford, Tabitha Whitford, Marilyn Anderson, Pat Pehling, Jennifer Leach, Marilyn Brennan, Mike Rafter, Sally Schiller, Jerry Newman, and Rob Weber

### Agenda Items:

#### A. Contest Guide: Goal to have completed Contest Guide by October 2005

##### 1. Contest Guide

- a. addendum for changes needed
- b. p. 39 in the last diagram, the first 90' should be 85'
  - p. 40 size of flag barrels and equipment should be described as in 2003 Western Games Manual on p. 28
- c. p. 8 Add a Washington box with statement 'smooth mouthpiece at least 3/8" in diameter, have up to three pieces, any taper of mouth piece shall be gradual'
- d. p. 14 & 15 Washington horses will be judged on equal basis.

Note: These things should be in effect for this year and counties need to be notified.

#### B. Dressage:

1. We agreed to use the updated Oregon Project Manual as our manual.
2. Order in Spring for Fall

#### C. Performance/Western Games Manual

1. Horse Project Manual-Goal October 2006
2. Put together manual sections of the two current manual & rules books to use until October 2006
  - a. Put together, scan drawings, have by Fall 2004
  - b. Input for changes may be discussed on this committee's list serve.

#### D. Dress Code:

1. Two proposals from State Fair Board
  - a. Our committee wants to say 'NO' to these proposals.
  - b. m/s/p to use the dress code required for showing to be what is described in the PNW Contest Guide.
  - c. m/s/p to have the Fair Board implement a dress code for in the barns at State Fair.
  - d. Comments can be sent to [mpobrennan@earthlink.net](mailto:mpobrennan@earthlink.net)

##### 2. Other State Fair Concern

- a. Alternates should be responsible to notify their county if they are called to participate by the State Fair.

E. Oregon/Washington Horse Project Curriculum Team

1. The committee who have been meeting with Oregon on the Contest Guide will be the people working on the Horse Project Manual.
  - a. We may give input to this group on this committee's list serve.

F. Judges School Committee

1. Preparations are being made to host the next Judge's School in the Tri-Cities in October 2006.

**Other Agenda Items Added:**

A. Dates for State Horse Bowl & Hippology Contests

1. Discussion about rotating contest dates or setting the dates 9 months in advance.
2. m/s/p to keep Horse Bowl on the 1st Saturday of April and Hippology on the 1st Saturday of May.

B. Changes to Horse Bowl Rules (proposed by Pat Pehling)

1. 3 person teams be allowed - if a 3 person team wins, the next full team would go to Nationals.
2. Mixed teams be allowed - if a mixed team wins, the next Senior team would go to Nationals.
3. The team captain will be the #1 Chair
4. One-on-one should be easily divided by 4.
5. Omit the mailing requirement.
6. duplication (?)
7. team awards (?) individual

C. Forum Workshops for October

1. Challenge in Equine - Jennifer Leach
2. Teaching Youth 'Reasons for Judging'
3. Teaching Volunteers 'Reasons for Judging'
4. Advancement Checklists & Saddle Hour Logs - Barbara Ferguson

D. Groom Squad Rules

1. Rules need to state 1 stiff brush and 1 soft brush.

E. WSHA ask to be Partners

1. Invited to participate in our judges schools
2. Limited time for them to apply for our list without all the requirements of new judges.
  - a. Pay \$50, take test, attend next school, be placed on our apprentice list.
  - b. Apply with references.
  - c. We hope to develop our list and have it with categories for PNW List, WA/OR List, WA Only List, OR Only List, and be able to say who does Western Games, Dressage, etc.

F. Recommendation to State Fair Board

1. m/s/p to combine all equine enrollments under Equine instead of individual disciplines and change the method of setting county allocations.

G. Next Meeting

1. October 31, 2004 in Ellensburg
2. Agenda Items
  - a. Competitive Trail
  - b. Log Hours
  - c. Advancement Checklist

Handouts: State Fair Dress Code Proposals

Oregon 4-H Dressage Project Manual

Proposal & Budget - PNW Horse Judges School