

PRAHA General Meeting
Minutes 10/24/09

Present: Renate Cowan, Irv Cowan, Joe Marchi, Verdell Marchi, Cindy Tobeck, Sharon Youngs, Bob Callahan, Lanora Callahan, Halleigh Scalf, Gabriela Cowan, and new member - Mike Dean

Minutes: A motion was made to approve the minutes from the October meeting. Motion was second and carried, the minutes were approved.

Old Business:

Show Report

Show Gross: \$14954
Show Expense: \$10,872
Balance \$ 4,082

- We were down three entries from 2008.
- Discussions:
 - Suggestion to use the Silent Auction funds for local charities. Irv made a motion to have proceeds from the 2010 Silent Auction go to local charities. Bob seconded. Motion passed. We will advertise this for next year.
 - There are funds that were not expended from last year's charity donations that will be used for this year.
 - Cindy brought up the idea of condensing the program for 2010. Discussion on whether that would be feasible. It was tabled for further discussion at the December meeting.
 - Dual judges for 2010: there will be a decision at the Regional meeting on rules pertaining to this option. Bob and Lanora will bring information to the December meeting.
 - There were 318 classes this year.
 - For 2010: a first or second place allows you to go to Regionals.
 - There were a lot of great comments about the dinner. We will emphasize the free exhibitor's dinner next year.
 - Irv made a motion to give Cheryl at the Trails a gift credit card for \$250. Bob seconded it. Motion passed.

Christmas Party:

Renate and Irv offered their soon to be new home in Rochester for the Christmas party. It will be on December 19th at 4:00 pm. We will have the white elephant gift exchange. Gift should not cost more than \$15.00. Please label if it is for male or female or either. There is chicken left over from the Fall Show. It was suggested that we continue the tradition of the prime rib, plus have the chicken. Let Renate know what you would like to bring, so we don't get all desserts – of course some of us think that would be just fine. Directions will be posted on our website.

Elections:

Please let Sharon know if you would like to serve as an officer. We will be voting at the December meeting. Bob asked that his name be removed from the consideration for President. So far the election roster is: President: Sharon and Cindy; Vice President: Cindy; Secretary: Meranda; Treasurer: Renate. Gabriela has agreed to continue as membership.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Youngs
(For Secretary Meranda Scott)