PtHA President Kathleen Gallagher called the meeting to order at 10:00 am, central standard time.

Proof of notice of meeting was given in the January 2018 Pinto Horse Online Magazine.

Roll call of the Executive Committee and Board of Directors was taken by Kim Hall. Executive Committee members present were: Kathleen Gallagher, Karen Craighead, Jenny LaGrange, Kevin Woodford, Kameron Duncanson, Roger Altman and Darrell Bilke.

Board of Directors present were Laura Fowler, Walter de la Brosse, Heather Rich, Mike Adams, Annette Pitcher, Woodie Marshall, Tracey Imbaro, Mary Osborn, Gabriel Deters-Snider, Karen Clark, Kari Reeg, Terri Wirthlin, Ann DiGiovanni, Karin Smith, Lisa Jostad, John Kile, Frankie Allen, Don McGee, Terri Branham, Tina Bell, Carmen Lay, Kathy Thomas, Joni Osborn, Neil Tekame, Marianne Warland, Carolyn Washburn and Marty Hedgren. Absent were Brianna Saucier, Amanda Palmer. Alternate Board members present was Chaun Merkens.

Past Presidents present were, Wendy Davidson, Mahlon Bauman, Sue Ellen Parker, Joe Grissom and Barbara Hulsey. Absent were Gary Streator, Jean Andrews, Gerald Milburn, Don Greenlee, Jim Isley, Chris Theiler, George Martin, Nancy Bredemeier, and Carl Cousins.

PtHA President, Kathleen Gallagher had members present introduce themselves.

Pinto Office Staff was introduced by Darrell Bilke
  Kim Hall - Executive Assistant
  Dorothy Fread - Controller/Office Manager
  Fred Kinder - Computer Consultant
  Angie Baker - Magazine Editor, Website
  Emily Wolf – Special Events, Youth, Amateur & International Depts.
  Shauna Ford - Performance Dept.
  Debbie Weir – Registration & Archive Depts.
  Bonnie Billotte - Accounting Dept.
  Paula Simmons - Accounting Dept.
  Dan Ocenas - IT Department
  Terry Wiens - PtHA Legal Counsel
  Suzanne Crews - PtHA CPA

Motion to dispense of the reading and accept the minutes of the last meeting, which have been published in convention packets by Wyneta Duncan, seconded by Kaylee Altman, motion passed.

Motion to accept the PtHA Budget, Financial Report given by Suzanne Crews, CPA and Dorothy Fread and the Investment Report by Phillip Suarez by Kaylee Altman, seconded by Susan Sample, motion passed.

General Counsel, Terry Wiens spoke about how well run our association is and that it makes his job easier.

Committee Reports:
Youth Committee, Wyneta Duncan reported their committee discussed ideas on how to grow the Youth memberships locally and nationally.

Membership/Charter Committee, Lisa Jostad reported their committee discussed ideas on how to reach International interests, local people, using social media and shared ways to increase local charter memberships.
Amateur Committee, Kaylee Altman reported they discussed PtHA facebook pages, Zone Award changes, AM Rule changes for 2018 and the split of the Amateur Walk/Trot classes at the 2018 Pinto World Championship.

Judges Committee, Kim Hall reported there were 23 people that applied for PtHA judges card. 13 were invited to the CBC testing processed. There were 12 that attended and passed all the testing to obtain their PtHA judge cards.

International Committee, Walter de la Brosse reported their committee discussed the Sweden charter having 2 shows his year and the interest from Mexico to start a Pinto charter.

Rulebook Committee, Mahlon Bauman encouraged members to let them know if they see something in the rulebook that should be corrected or changed. Asked everyone to take rulebooks home to pass out at their shows and events.

Registration Committee, Ann DiGiovanni reported their committee had one Rule Change Proposal which was defeated in committee. They also discussed the Field Representative seminar, DNA testing for Long Ears, going to outcross shows and promoting Pinto and she thanked the Long Ear participants for sharing information with their committee.

Show/Contest Committee, Mike Adams reported their committee went through two Rule Change Proposals. Both proposals were tabled to be re-worked. The committee discussed the Rule Change Proposal process.

Professional Horsemen Committee, Nell Tekampe reported they discussed ideas for a mission statement and a slogan for their group. They are planning on the group being available at shows to help new people, show management in abuse problems, presence at the Pinto World Championship in various ways. The group is planning on trying to start a Trainer’s Crisis Fund as soon as possible.

Long Range Planning Committee, Joe Grissom, the following was discussed by the Past Presidents, and approved by the Executive Committee.

1. No changes to the fees for 2019.
2. The Zone Invitational will not be held after 2018, instead we will be giving Zone awards to each of the divisions, in each zone. (Jr. YA, Sr. YA, Jr. AM, Sr. AM and Elite AM) A buckle will be given for 1st place, vest for 2nd and medallions for 1st – 5th.
3. Implement a Color Breed Futurity for the Stock/Hunter and Long Ears. Pleasure/Saddle and Pony/Mini will be considered later if interests warrants it.
4. Monthly emails to Board of Directors, Charter Presidents, Field Representative and Committee chairs about “Did You Know” subjects. These would be informational emails about PtHA.

Heritage Foundation report from Joe Grissom. Joe introduced the Board of Directors and officers of the Heritage Foundation. New for this year, there will be a list of available funds for the auction donations. The Pinto Heritage Foundation has received a $10,000 donation in Pat Walliser’s name. This will pay for a $500 scholarship each year. Joe also reviewed the Smile Amazon Program that benefits the Pinto Heritage Foundation.

Motion made by Adam Slater to accept all reports presented, seconded by Jill Hedgren. Motion passed.

Executive Manager’s report, Darrell Bilke - Motion made by Kaylee Altman to accept Darrell’s report, seconded by Adam Slater. Motion passed.

Old Business – none

New Business – none

President Gallagher gave her thoughts of her year as President of the PtHA.

There being no further business, Shelly Sellers made the motion to adjourn General Membership meeting, seconded by Kaylee Altman, motion passed.