

Dancing Horse Dressage April 11, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 7:05PM. Meeting held at Meghan Wolfgram's House at 7:00PM

Board Members in attendance: Cynthia Lord, Barbara Nagle, Annie Vliegenthart, Jackie White, Sandy Gillispie, Ann Margaret Hill, Meghan Wolfgram.

March Minutes:

Motion to accept minutes was made and approved. Meghan made the motion, Sonya seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

The balance is \$9,492.92 as of April 11 and includes checks and insurance. April show checks have not been deposited. Some discussion ensued about returned checks for show or member fees. It was decided that Annie would notify the board, as well as Sonya, Sandy, and Jackie. Meghan made a motion: for show entry returned checks, the Show Secretary will send a certified letter if the check issue can't be resolved; Annie seconded, and the motion carried. Although in some cases the returned check was made on the competitor's behalf by someone else, it was also discussed that a rider can't show with outstanding debts or be eligible for year-end awards, regardless of the check name. The web domain fee is due and it was decided to shift the contact info to Meghan (webmaster), but to use the Treasurer's email. The domain carries annual renewal plus long term bills. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Barb, Meghan seconded, and motion carried unanimously.

Old Business:

1. March Show Feedback
 - a. We were short staffed on volunteers; one runner didn't show but the office covered the job. (The runner offered, but due to the distance, it was decided that it was not necessary.)
2. April show
 - a. Entries. The entries made for a light show and scratches were coming in.
 - b. Judge's stand and canopy: Canopy will work, Meghan's father will look into a better brace (Barb to follow-up).
 - c. Prizes. Cynthia will contact Gloria to confirm all is ready
 - d. Concession. Barb has confirmed the concessionaire. It will be Beachin BBQ.
 - e. Volunteers. Went over list. Most positions filled.
3. Members and Roster
 - a. USDF roster updates. Jackie reported we have 46 members, including 8 Youth, 4 Family Members (probably Youth) and 4 Trainers.
4. 2018 accounts review: Not discussed.
5. Arena.
 - a. Storage & Moving (chain). Sonya reported that it is in work. She also mentioned that signs to keep the horses out of the office area at the show are in work.
 - b. Arena Set up - Training. This may be good to do as a fall event.
6. May meeting – roundtable discussion
 - a. Location and date: Sandy said it is set up for a large table to seat 14 to the back of MeeMaw's. More tables can be added if necessary

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- b. Topics: Cynthia has no received any feedback from email and ideas from the board were discussed and decided to be talked about at the meeting in the following order:
 - i. Types of Events that members want to see from DHD
 - ii. What format is best for the upcoming awards ceremony
 - iii. Ways to increase participation in events and volunteering
 - iv. DHD participation in the new USDF Regional Schooling Shows was put on hold due to the size of the topic and information that would be necessary
7. Show Awards and banquet/party
 - a. Location and date: Annie offered Aug 17 or July as possibilities for a pool party repeat. MeeMaws and Pub City were also offered as possible locations.
 - b. Notification of eligible competitors. Sandy will work on.
 - c. Date for submission of vouchers and accepted expiration dates. Cynthia brought up the possible confusion on the website regarding the exact dates that the volunteer certificates would be applicable to participate as an award recipient. Meghan made a motion: for this year, the last eligible date will be the date of the last show, April 14, unless we have rain and then it would be the rain date show (May 19). Sandy seconded and it was approved unanimously. Vouchers are good from one year prior and up to that date for awards.
 - d. Awards. If anyone has additional ideas for awards at the banquet, please give them to Sandy.
8. Activities Committee. Discussion tabled.
9. By Laws Committee. Committee will be Cynthia, Sandy, Jackie, and Barb.

New Business

1. Website updates
 - a. Year end awards voucher submissions: general policy and 2019 specifics were discussed under Show awards (7c.)
2. Fall activities and clinics. Board members should think about it
3. Any other new business:
 - a. We still have a date available for an activity at the library in the evening of June 5. Board members to think about a topic, possibly the USDF new show series.
 - b. The DHD Youth Membership age (<18 yrs) does not agree with USDF (<= 21 yrs). It will need to be addressed in the By-Laws update, as well as the Regional Schooling Shows (if DHD participates).
4. Brags. Barb met her requirements to earn a USDF Silver Medal!
5. Rewards. None.
6. Next Meeting dates and times.
 - a. May 9 at MeeMaw's at 7:00PM
 - b. June 13 at Sandy's at 7:00PM

Meeting adjourned at 8:51PM. Barb made a motion, Meghan seconded, and motion unanimously carried.