

Dancing Horse Dressage &CT-December 12, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Attendance : Louisa Killian, Annie Vliegenthart, Terri Rines, Sandy Gillespie, Barbara Nagle, Cynthia Lord, Sonya Reed

November Minutes: Approved with one edit. Jackie White submitted a rewards report in November and was reflecting upon a lesson she had with Christie Slayton.

Treasure's Report: Current balance of \$7011.04. All show dates, insurance paid. Ribbons, prize expenses still outstanding. Annie will develop an itemized report to reflect the expenses in a per show/clinic format.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Memberships: Jackie White submitted the initial USDF roster consisting of 2020 board members. Sonya has received 16, 2020 membership renewals. Memberships will be submitted to USDF monthly.
- B. Cynthia will be updating the Mailchimp account in keeping with the roster.
- C. 2020 show series:
 - DHD is one of 3 GMO's in Florida participating in the inaugural Regional Schooling Show Championships see <https://www.usdf.org/awards/performance/regional-schooling.asp> for rules.
 - Omnibus has been updated and posted on the website. New show entry form designed to capture needed information for USDF schooling show awards program. Barb has updated the show program. We thank Barb for working so hard to provide us a show program that keeps up with the needs of our club.
 - It was noted that and it will be a challenge placing Jr/AA classes at the end of the series if we have awarded the divisions separately for a given show. Sandy Gillespie offered to take on the challenge.
 - Sandy is working on securing judges.
 - Suggestions for food vendors welcome. "Beachin BBQ" has been contacted but has not committed at this time.
 - Volunteer incentives were discussed. We are currently offering our "Rewards Reports" program and free stalls for show day volunteers. Barb suggested a raffle for volunteers that we might implement later in the year when volunteers become harder to acquire.
 - Magnolia Sport Horse has offered to sponsor our ribbons for the show series. Cynthia Lord and Sonya Reed will work on a sponsorship committee, developing some guidelines for sponsorship opportunities.
 - Lindsey Higdon has volunteered to take over the volunteer coordinator position this season. Stall deposits are required for volunteer stalls and prior arrangements must be made to use a volunteer stall.

- Barb did purchase a new canopy that is very easy to put up and take down with two people. She will also look into repairing the old broken canopy to put up in front of the office window.
- D. Volunteer hour vouchers: Motion made to allow Cynthia Lord to order new books. 3 books of 50 vouchers at a cost of \$43.02. Motion carried.
- E. By-Laws review: Cynthia has offered to review. Barb, Sandy, Cynthia and Jackie White are on committee. Every effort will be made to update and get the By-Laws current.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Barb reported back from her attendance at the USDF convention in Savannah Ga. She said we are not utilizing a host of available grant opportunities offered to Group Member Organizations: <https://www.dressagefoundation.org/>
We should also investigate the educational tools offered by USDF <https://www.usdf.org/clubs/gmo/guide.asp#lectures>
Barb noted that attending the Board of Governors (BOG) meetings was not very productive.
Barb did attend some interesting lectures on Designing Freestyle rides, what judges look for in a Freestyle rides, and Bridle/Bit fitting.
- B. Terri Rines gave a brag on her experience with KYB dressage. Yvonne Barteau has had Terri and her Andalusian “Ruso” in boot camp. The culmination was a holiday event called “Spirit of the Horse” where Teri and Ruso preformed under the lights, in full costume and makeup in front of a huge crowd. Terri reported that Ruso seemed to enjoy his role and came alive when the lights were on him! We are very proud of Terri for overcoming stage freight and participating in the production. All proceeds were donated to Horses Without Humans Rescue in Bell Florida.

January Meeting to be held January 9th @ 7:00pm
Annie Vliegenthart’s Home
630 Hall Rd. Malabar, FL

Meeting adjourned at 8:57pm