DHD & CT MEMBERSHIP MEETING September 12, 2024

ATTENDING: Barbara Nagle, Laurie Young, Cynthia Lord, Jackie White, Ann Hill, Rachel Nescio, Ella Nescio

AUGUST MINUTES Approved

TREASURER'S REPORT Deferred

OLD BUSINESS

<u>Awards Banquet Feedback:</u> Feedback from the banquet was positive. Venue was adequate and program was well planned and executed. Barb posted the 2025 Show Series and Series Champions video's to our website.

Readiness for October show: Costume categories are:

- · Best Horse and Rider
- Most Creative
- Most Amusing
- Most Frightening

Barb posted show announcements on Facebook and web page and will continue to post reminders. Laurie and Ann plan to distribute flyers. Laurie has mostly completed the 1st place Goody Bags. Lindsey Rosado posted on Suzee Norris' Schooling and Show page, however, Suzee will be out of town.

<u>2nd Call for Board Nominations</u>: Annie nominated Krysta Wright for Vice-President. Rachel nominated Sonya Reed for Secretary. Both have accepted the nomination.

<u>2025 Show Series:</u> Ann and Jackie proposed removing the Leadlne class from the 2025 schedule. The Board agreed. Leadline will be removed from class list.

The Board agreed to raise Office Fee by \$5.00 to a total of \$25.00 per show entry. The Board discussed that DHD class fees are consistent with other local schooling shows. DHD stall fees are lower than other shows and DHD does not charge a haul-in fee. In order to set off some expense the increase in office fee was approved as the least impactful for participants.

Barb presented Alma Molander's request to have her hand-made belts purchased as First Place prizes. Barb provided pictures and pricing. 1.5" belts are \$18.00 and 2" belts are \$24.00, well within the \$35.00 budget. Barb also presented pictures of hand-painted totes, embroidered ball caps, and pouches from a vendor at WEC. The vendor is willing to give DHD a 20% discount. The Board agreed to purchase from both Alma and the WEC vendor for the January show. Barb will coordinate with Alma and will also purchase from the WEC vendor with the DHD credit card when she is there for Regionals.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Show Photography</u>: Barb presented Alma Molander and Montana Zito's request to provide show photography for sale to participants. Laurie asked their qualifications, but because they are just starting out, they don't have qualifications to present yet. Laurie stated that DHD should

add a "consent to photograph" to the registration form. Ann suggested they share a percentage of their earnings with the club. Cynthia suggested allowing them to photograph October show and then assess whether to continue for Series. At that time some form of sponsorship may be considered, such as having them sponsor a High Point ribbon. Laurie will continue as the Club Photographer for year end video, etc, but will receive volunteer hours for this going forward. Barb will coordinate with Montana and Alma and will mention photo etiquette around the horses.

<u>Live Scoring Application</u>: Jackie noted an online application that can be used for scoring dressage tests online. Further research revealed that Pegasus (https://www.thepegasus.app/) is a complete horse show management application which also has a built in e-scribe capability. Barb noted that all of these e-scribe applications (and there are several) require uploading show information and exhibitor information to the app and also require internet access at the horse show venue.

<u>Committees/Volunteers:</u> Jackie will remain Membership Coordinator. Annie will remain Wickham Park Liaison. Gloria will continue as Show Awards Purchasing Agent. Rachel will continue as Sponsorship Coordinator and Meghan will remain Webmaster. Meghan updates the website with real-time data. Becky Melton provides IT support for online membership and show registration.

Next meeting is October 10, 2024 at 7:00PM via zoom.