



NDA Board Meeting Minutes

August 7, 2023 – 6:30 pm
Scooters Coffee @ 84th & Van Dorn

Attendees

Board Members Present:

- Linda Smith, President
Carrie Cross, Secretary
Kathy Hanford
Claire Tucker, Jr Rep
Margo Hamilton, Vice-President
Sara Loseke, Treasurer

Board Members Absent:

- Karen Stricklett

NDA Members Present:

- Cece Holst
Angie McClelland

Call to Order

President Linda Smith called the August meeting to order at Scooters Coffee on 84th St in Lincoln at 6:37 pm.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

The July 2023 NDA meeting minutes were reviewed. The addition of Sheila resigning from the board will be included in the July minutes. Margo moved to approve the minutes. Kathy seconded. Motion carried. Minutes approved.

We opened the meeting with deciding our top 3 things that we want to get done before the Annual meeting in November.

1. Have a great banquet
2. Get the schooling show champs done well
3. Present a united front at the USDF convention

Officer Reports

President:

President Linda would like to do all meetings in person with Zoom as a back-up for those that can't meet in person. We brainstormed people to invite to the board election for next year. We have 5 positions that will need to be filled.

We also looked at dates and locations for the annual banquet and meeting. Margo Hamilton has stepped up to be VP and will coordinate the banquet.

Vice President:

Margo Hamilton was asked to step in as Vice President, she accepted.

Secretary:

Carrie will be gone September 11th for our regular meeting and Cece will take minutes.

Treasurer:

Main acct balance - \$4293.93 Show acct - 15300.26, Paypal - 44.18, Petty cash - 460.00.
total cash balance is \$20098.37

We are waiting on HSO and refunds from Anne Shushko. We are still at a loss of -\$2909.42.

Committee Reports

Awards: Kathy ordered and received the SSC ribbons. She will start collecting the trophies for this years banquet.

Membership:

Angie sent Linda an email regarding what USDF charges us for GMO memberships. We last bumped our dues up in 2020 because that was the last time USDF raised their prices. Currently USDF charges us \$24 per GMO adult membership. We charge \$50 for an adult membership.

We are currently at 101 members where we typically 120-130 members.

Kathy Hanford went to all of the early schooling shows and encouraged people to join NDA and go to the SSC's.

Competitions:

Jennifer, Kathy & Mike met and discussed the trend of the Classic over time. Discussion about how the Classic does not seem as welcoming to some of our members. They are looking at restructuring the prize list and levels to make it a more social and welcoming show. Discussed the possibility of some clinics/ Schooling shows to work on basics in the off season one for Jr's one for AA.

The jr's will put together competitor bags for the SSC and they are looking at a pizza lunch during the SSC.

NDA exchanged the arena rental for awards so that we still were able to sponsor awards for the 4H show at fair.

Publicity:

Margo is still running behind on getting articles done. She is hoping to get those done this weekend.

Fundraising:

Tillie and Cece brought examples of the apparel that we have left to sell. They are planning on taking the apparel to the Stillwaters show this weekend. If we sell all of the apparel they will make \$395 profit. At the moment we are at a \$600 loss. They are planning on taking it to the schooling show championships and banquet.

Tillie and Cece sent out tax letters to those that gave sponsorship money.

Equipment Management:

We need to be more cognizant of where our show trailer is.

Education:

George Williams will be at Providence Farm on September 2-3 and we would like to have the youth come to audit. We need to start publicizing this event for auditors. There is a fee by USDF for auditing.

Junior/YR:

Claire Tucker collected 16 items for a total retail price of \$1192.76 in 2 weeks for the Jr committee. Claire and Cece are going to head up fundraising for the banquet. Cece is still looking at dates for a jr/yr clinic with Legacy or Providence being the barn host. They are also looking at having Zach Kaulp do a groundwork clinic.

Volunteer:

No report at this time

Western Dressage:

No Report at this time.

Old Business

At this time we have not put the arena letters on FB, Instagram, the Contact and the website, but will be getting to that.

New Business

All board members are to come up with 2 ideas to promote community.

USDF Convention – Brainstormed ideas of what to take to sell. We will need to promote volunteers for the Convention.

We would like to put together a “Nebraska Basket” for the Annual convention.

Next Meeting Scheduled

The next meeting will be September 11, 2023, 6:30 pm at Scooters on 84th in Lincoln, NE.

Adjournment

Carrie moved to adjourn at 8:85 pm. Sara seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by:

Carrie Cross, NDA Secretary