

NDA Board Meeting 10/12/2020 (Zoom)

Meeting called to order 7:09 pm

Present: Melissa Ward, Lana Erickson, Gracia Heunefeld, Sheila Purdum Kathy Hanford Jennifer Rawlinson, Mia Newman, Margo Hamilton, Michaela Schieffer

Motion to Approve September meeting minutes: Lana motioned, Gracia seconded, motion carried.

Motion to Approve Emergency September Meeting Minutes:Lana motioned, Gracia seconded, motion carried.

Officer Reports:

PRESIDENT: Election is coming up: 7 open board spots—Heidi, Gracia, Mia, Angie (as scheduled) Margo, Melissa, and Jane resigning. We need to find people to run for the election. Virtual Meeting is November 15, 2020 at 1pm.

Board positions for those resigning will be filled by those running for the board, however the terms will be limited to the amount of time left on Melissa, Jane and Margo's terms. This will be spelled out very clearly in email communications about the election.

ElectionRunner online election is set up for our digital meeting. Election to open 11/01/2020 and close during the Annual meeting. Write-ins are allowed. Election results automatically tabulated by Election Runner and will be tallied quickly.

Please talk to your pals about running for board positions. Lana suggests that as we are canvassing for qualified candidates for board positions, we also remind people that there are committees. Board agrees that using emails and Facebook is a great way to promote committees. Suggested that we also use *The Contact* to publish an article regarding the committees.

VICE PRESIDENT:

No report to speak of as the Banquet is cancelled.

Treasurers Report:

There is \$5,544.11 in the main account, and \$15,192.10 in the show account.

Motion to approve the Financial Report: Gracia motioned, Micheala seconded, report approved.

Juniors Report

October 24th Missy Clinic at Coda Cavallo schedule. Previous Missy Clinic in Lincoln went well also.

Competitions Committee:

Jennifer reports that Laureen and Kathy did a great job organizing. Grateful to Stillwaters for their donation of time. The Competitions Committee (en totality) will be stepping down in 2021. Classic

organization is underway with Judges and contracts and licenses underway. NDA will need to have to hire a showrunner in 2021. Jennifer will make sure we are good to go until NDA has an onsite manager. Jennifer has some suggestions for us as to people who could manage the shows. Anne Sushko would be a good reference for show managers.

Melissa wonders if the current Competitions Committee has anyone else that may be interested in participating in that committee as the year approaches. Jennifer and the rest of the board will certainly send out some emails and try to recruit some other people. Jennifer has found that having a volunteer committee has been very helpful to the process of managing shows.

Membership:

We have begun receiving membership renewals. USDF will need to have our initial roster Dec 1. Angie will not be rejoining the board in 2021. Membership Committee needs someone who is really good with a spreadsheet.

Awards:

Discussion of a FAQ page about how the 2020-2021 score calculations will go. Sheila suggests we “bank” all the scores for people so they don’t get lost. Margo and Kathy point out that NDA maintains spreadsheets of members and registered horses. That scores from schooling shows are published in the Contact and USDF Scores are available online. Discussion that we may want to change our score report form to remove the requirement of people having to submit the front page of their test along with a report sheet as we can double check the scores for accuracy.

Publicity:

(In Drive)

6 emails since last meeting. Updates on events and announcements, polls, and fall *Contact*.

Website has been fully updated with events added and deleted from calendar.

Contact: Last Contact just went out. Not a lot of content for the next issue put together just yet.

Fundraising:

Please send things in for the auction. Online Auction is coming up. Margo plans to reach out personally to individuals for donations.

Western Dressage:

Have a few new active persons interested in coming onto the committee. WDAA World Show went virtual. There will be 7 participants from Nebraska competing at Worlds, the most ever. TDF sponsored clinic will happen next Spring, late April or early May.

Western Dressage membership has been greatly enjoying the opportunity in virtual shows this year.

Equipment:

No Report

Education:

No report. Look for email from committee members.

Volunteer:

Committee members will continue to serve on the Volunteer Committee in 2021.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None.

Motion to Adjourn: Micheala, second: Lana. Motion approved.

Meeting Adjourned 8:19 pm.