

<p style="text-align:center">Minutes NDA Board Meeting October 14, 2013</p>
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President Heidi Helmer called the October meeting to order at Parker's Rib Ranch at 6:40pm.

Board Members Present: Dara Liss, Jane Fucinaro, Laura Stueck, Heidi Helmer, Felice Rose, Donna Michelson, Briana Bartlett.

Board Members Absent: Kitty Duncan, Tish Jones.

NDA Members Present: Melissa Ward.

The September 2013 minutes were reviewed. Donna moved to approve the minutes, Jane seconded. Motion carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

President: Heidi reported that she had received several thank you notes: from The Dressage Foundation for the support of the Century Club, from 4H for NDA's support of their dressage competition this past summer, and notes from each of the Region 4 competitors who attended the USDF Jr/YR competition.

These notes of thanks were shared with the board.

Vice President: Briana reported that plans are on track for the annual banquet. As Briana will be having surgery prior to the event, the board members agreed to be at the event early to set up.

Treasurer: Tish presented the Treasurer's Report. Current balance in the Main account was \$12,193.73. The Show account was \$10,899.57. Briana moved to approve the Treasurer's Report; Dara seconded. Motion carried.

Secretary: No report.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

Membership: There will be no change in membership fees for NDA for the 2014 membership year.

Competitions: None.

Awards: Kathy Hanford and Laureen VanNorman have been working on year end awards. The cut-off for score submission is October 5. The board discussed the fact that the Regional Championships occur after the score submission cut-off date. The scores from the Regional

Championships will apply to the 2014 competition year.

All perpetual trophies are to be returned to Karin Nielson.

Communications: The Dressage Foundation County Saddlery drawing is open for entries through December 4.

Publicity: Donna Michelson and Laura Stueck will be coordinating the NDA booth at the Nebraska Horse Expo, November 15-17. Lisa VanStratten stated she would bring banners and promo items to the Expo.

Membership forms and NDA pamphlets will be available at the booth.

Heidi shared with the board the thank you's that were received from Katie Miller and Tillie Jones for the NDA scholarships.

Fund Raising: Lisa VanStratten presented the updated sponsorship form and levels for 2014. New promotional items were presented, and ideas shared as to promoting NDA in 2014.

Lisa suggested that NDA give Sally Queal a 2014 NDA membership in thanks for her contributions to the dressage community in eastern Nebraska.

Equipment Management: No report.

JR/YR: No report.

Education: Ideas for 2014 were discussed. Heidi will talk to Char Cole about pursuing more events in 2014.

Katie Miller had asked if the remainder of the scholarship money she received from NDA could be applied to the Sarah Martin clinic. The board approved unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS: Brian presented needs for the Awards Banquet costume contest and decorations. The board was unanimous in discussion pertaining to the needed awards and items. The board also agreed to be present to set up and tear down.

NEW BUSINESS: The NDA volunteer of the year was named as Jennifer Rawlinson. It was also decided that Mike Smith should receive the President's Award for his continued leadership on the Competition Committee.

There will be three positions open on the NDA board for 2014. Heidi Helmer, Donna Michelson, and Felice Rose will be stepping down. A new junior representative will also need to be elected. The current members interested in running are Melissa Ward, Kathy Hanford, and Katie Miller. Tillie Jones is interested in running as the junior member.

The next board meeting will be determined by the new president and 2014 board members.

The annual meeting will occur on November 9 at the annual awards banquet.

ADJOURNMENT: Donna moved to adjourn the Board meeting. Laura seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Donna Michelson

NDA Secretary, 2013