## Minutes NDA Board Meeting July 8, 2013

President Heidi Helmer called the June meeting to order at Parker's Rib Ranch at 6:40pm.

**Board Members Present:** Dara Liss, Jane Fucinaro, Laura Stueck, Kitty Duncan, Heidi Helmer, Tish Jones, Felice Rose, Donna Michelson.

**Board Members Absent:** Briana Bartlett.

NDA Members Present: None.

The May 2013 meeting minutes were discussed, and Tish motioned for their approval pending changes to be made as discussed. Jane seconded. Tish moved to accept the June 2013 minutes, seconded by Laura. Motions carried.

## **REPORTS OF OFFICERS:**

**President:** Heidi will cover later in the meeting.

Vice President: None.

**Treasurer:** Tish presented the Treasurer's Report. Current balance in the Main account was \$13,866.48. The Show account was \$9,461.68. Dara moved to approve the Treasurer's Report; Laura seconded. Motion carried.

**Secretary:** No report.

## **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:**

**Membership:** Report via email from Diana Spaulding. NDA now has 108 members.

**Competitions:** The Schooling Show Championships are scheduled for September 7 at the Lancaster Event Center.

The remaining schooling shows are the Summer Solstice Show to be held July 13. Providence Farms will also be holding a schooling show later this season.

**Awards:** No report.

**Communications:** The Dressage Foundation has asked NDA to make members aware of their County Saddle give away.

**Publicity:** November Horse Expo is scheduled for November 15-17.

Emily Johnson created an NDA brochure, which the board approved.

**Fund Raising:** Heidi presented a list of needs for the Fund Raising committee. Heidi is seeking new volunteers, and these needs will be further addressed at the Annual Meeting.

**Equipment Management:** Ken Timmerman reports that the trailer is in good working order.

**JR/YR:** Kitty is planning a summer activity for the junior members of NDA in conjunction with Char Cole. A tentative date was set as July 28.

**Education:** Heidi will touch base with Char Cole about the potential saddle fitting clinic.

Lowell Boomer's Library is available for check out at the Dressage Foundation offices in downtown Lincoln.

A Dressage Show Volunteer training event was discussed, as proposed by Jennifer Rawlinson. Heidi will contact Jennifer, as the board is eager for this to happen.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Heidi has asked the board to check the USDF website in order to nominate NDA members for USDF year end volunteer awards, and submission of the Contact.

Jane and Dara presented the scholarship applications. Seven applications had been received, and were reviewed by the board. Tillie Jones received the Jr/YR scholarship. Katie Miller received the Adult Amateur scholarship. Patty LaVelle received the Open scholarship.

Jane is in process of organizing a possible joint venture with UNL.

**NEW BUSINESS:** The date for the Annual Awards Banquet is November 9, 2013, at Parker's Rib Ranch in Ashland, NE.

Felice and Laura agreed to begin approaching people to be part of the nominating committee, and recruiting new board members.

Laura Stueck will attend the USDF Convenction in Lexington, KY. Heidi is unable to attend due to vacation restraints.

The next board meeting will be September 8, 2013, at Breadeaux Pizza in Ashland, NE, at 6:30pm.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Donna moved to adjourn the Board meeting. Dara seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Donna Michelson

NDA Secretary, 2013