Nebraska Dressage Association May Board Meeting May 14, 2018 Misty's in Havelock, Lincoln NE

In attendance:

Jane FucinaroHeidi HelmerKathy HanfordMargo HamiltonAngie McClellandMiya HigginsRichard HigginsKayla StephensJudy Seward

Diane Fucinaro Gracia Huenefeldt Jennifer Rawlinson

Meeting Called to order: 6:34pm by Jane Fucinaro

Publicity/Newsletter:

Discussion of ideas for upcoming issues of The Contact. Show issue should be out sometime in the beginning of September.

Please feel free to send articles to Kayla for upcoming issues.

President's Report:

Approval of April Minutes will be done via email.

Discussion of Scholarships, due soon! Please everyone encourage people at your barns to submit applications for the Scholarship program. Yes, the Scholarship program can be used to pay for L program work. Deadline is 5/30/2018

At the moment we have no applicants.

Vice President Report:

Contract signed with Ashland Country Club for Annual Banquet.

-Heidi will want some help doing decorations for the banquet.

Secretary: No report

Financial:

Pilates clinic lost money, but we still have good amount in bank. Fundraising for the year has met the target. Heidi Helmer moves to accept financial report, Judy Seward seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Junior:

We need more orders of sweatpants in order for those to be printed and sold.

Reaching out to local junior riders and floating the idea of having a pizza party

Juniors are again making bags for the competitors at Cornhusker Classic, those are going well

Membership: NDA has 115 members to date.

Competitions: Jennifer Rawlinson begs board for volunteers. Needing a lot due to L program being held in conjunction with the show. At the moment the number of entries is a bit low for The Classic. Part of issue is there is no regional Omnibus this year.

WDAA & Competition Lite: working to have the Open County Fair approved as WDAA/USEF Competition Lite show, Schooling show Championships will not be approved. Looking to have 2 WDAA/USEF shows this year but other schooling shows have WDAA approval.

Awards:

Ribbons and prizes are ready to go for the Classic. Feeling confident.

Publicity/Web/Trade Fair:

283 people on our emails list at the moment. Last membership reminder was sent out on 05/05/2018

NDA Handbook should be done soon.

--we have purchased the right to use new dressage photos for promotional and educational materials.

Fundraising:

Smartpak has sent \$500.00 in gift cards to NDA for prizes for the classic --seeking class sponsorships for the Classic

Education:

Pilates Clinic was a success for those who attended. Lower attendance this year than in prior iterations of this event.

Western Dressage Clinic in conjunction with the Spring Fling Dressage show was a success. Youth Clinic looking to be scheduled in October of this year

L-Program: Needing riders for Training 3, First 3 and Second 3 at the Classic so that L participants can watch live rides, not videos. We are close, but would like to have at least 9 riders in each class.

Western Dressage:

Would love to have a separate Tab on the NDA Website/Facebook dedicated to Western Dressage. Kathy Lewis is willing to manage the tab. Board agrees this is a good idea.

Volunteer: Still seeking many volunteers for Cornhusker Classic. Diane Fucinaro believes many people are waiting to sign up to volunteer until they find out their show times.

Equipment: Trailer is licensed and ready to go. Arena is needed in Grand Island for the State Fair. Gracia offers to take it out.

Meeting adjourned: 8:30pm