Minutes NDA Board Meeting September 9, 2013

President Heidi Helmer called the June meeting to order at Breadeaux Pizza at 6:42pm.

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 July 2013 minutes were reviewed. Tish moved to approve the minutes, Jane seconded. Motion carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

President: Heidi will send out a September update.

Vice President: None.

Treasurer: Tish presented the Treasurer's Report. Current balance in the Main account was \$12,436.85. The Show account was \$7430.76. Dara moved to approve the Treasurer's Report; Donna seconded. Motion carried.

Secretary: No report.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

Membership: The board reviewed the current membership form, no changes are needed at this time.

Competitions: The Schooling Show Championships held September 7 were a huge success.

The Competitions Committee requested that NDA recognize Danna Seevers for her work as secretary at the Schooling Show Championships in the wake of extenuating personal circumstances. A motion was made by Laura that a \$100 gift card be given to Danna in appreciation, Tish seconded. Motion carried.

Awards: Kathy Hanford has joined the Awards Committee. The cutoff date for award submission is October 5. The scores from regional and national championship shows will be included in the 2014 awards, as both shows are being held after the score submission deadline.

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

Tish Jones agreed to distribute fliers for the Dressage Foundation saddle giveaway at the Region 4 championships.

Publicity: November Horse Expo is scheduled for November 15-17. Donna Michelson and Laura Stueck will be organizing NDA's representation at the Nebraska Horse Expo. Heidi will send in application for a booth space.

The "No Bull, Just Horses" Expo had requested feedback from NDA, and they have forwarded an application for the March 2014 Expo. The board will discuss NDA presence at this Expo at a later date. The 4H leadership sent NDA a thank you for sponsoring the dressage award at the 4H championships held in Grand Island in July.

The Region 4 director sent NDA a thank you for supporting the NAJYR competition.

The Dressage Foundation sent NDA a thank you for sponsoring the Century Rider program.

Fund Raising: Melissa Ward and Cindy Hanson have joined the Fund Raising committee. We will also recruit members at the annual meeting and awards banquet.

Equipment Management: Ken

Timmerman reports that the trailer is in good working order.

JR/YR: Kitty is planning a fall activity for the junior members of NDA in conjunction with Char Cole.

Education: Heidi and Jane discussed the possibility of holding a winter education series.

OLD BUSINESS: The 2013 scholarship recipients were: Tillie Jones - Jr/YR scholarship, Katie Miller - Adult Amateur scholarship, Patty LaVelle - Open scholarship.

The board agreed to collectively assist with setup and tear down for the 2013 Banquet. Briana will be organizing the event.

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

Felice, Laura, and Heidi agreed to lead the nominating committee.

Laura Stueck will attend the USDF Convenction in Lexington, KY. The Region 4 delegates are Anne Sushko, Tracie Wang, Linda Landers and PJ Koehler.

The next board meeting will be October 14, 2013, at Parker's 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