

**Northwoods Dressage Association
Board Meeting
12/12/16
Blackwoods, Proctor MN**

Present: Pam Forsythe, Alex LaFleur, Jess Amundson, Kate Hinz,, Kathi Marshall, Jen Hovde, Natascha Artang, Teresa Kolar, Julie Williams, Amanda LaFleur, Rachael Tomczak, Jennifer Manty

Call to Order: 6:36

Conflict of interest: None

Mission Statement: Teresa

Treasurer Report: Checking—\$17832.90 Money Market—\$25002.77

\$1490 in memberships came in

\$1080 paid out to USDF for membership

Motion to approve by Pam, 2nd by Teresa —passed.

Secretary: See attached

Motion to approve by Kate, 2nd by Alex—passed

Governance: Pages were passed for committee sign up. Results as follows:

Banquet - Kathi Marshall and Jen Manty

Jen H

Alex

Rachel

Amanda

Jess

Teresa

Kate

Education/Scholarship - Leah Nelson and Pam Forsythe

Alex

Kate

Amanda

Teresa

Junior/ Young Riders - Alex and Amanda LaFleur

Jen H

Jen M

Rachel

Fundraising - Julie Williams

Kate

Jen M

Jess

Shows - Kathi Marshall and Jen Hovde

Alex

Amanda

Jess

Teresa

Pam

Equipment - Natascha Artang

Jess

Membership - Kate Hinz

Teresa

Amanda
Jess

Governance - Jen Hovde
Julie

Website/Newsletter - Jess Amundson and Alex LaFleur
Leah
Rachel
Teresa

Education/scholarship: Freestyle clinic was discussed. Suggested date 1/28 but we will look at other options for later in the year. An alternate date was suggested via email 2/5/17. More discussion to follow
Question: Does scholarship \$\$ carry over into the next year? No

Membership: Kate will meet with Colleen in early January
Membership form changes:
Changed the contact information.

A motion was made for the following wording changes:

Horse membership:

\$5 Annual Registration - per horse: Each registered horse may be eligible for NWDA year end awards. The rider must also be a registered NWDA member.

Person Membership:

\$40 (\$50 if renewing after December 1st) Annual Individual Membership includes: quarterly NWDA newsletter, annual omnibus, 1 USDF associate membership, monthly USDF Connection magazine, reduced fee to participate in some NWDA sponsored activities, and 1 active vote in NWDA. Each registered NWDA member may be eligible for NWDA year end awards. The horse must also be a registered NWDA member.

Motion by Jen, 2nd by Kate—passed

Jess will send out these changes to the members

Equipment: No changes

Gazebo is still on the "to do" list. Kathi hasn't talked to Scott about the assembly yet. It is still in Natascha's garage.

Shows: 2 Recognized shows (6/10 & 6/11; 7/22 & 7/23) and 2 Schooling shows (6/3 & 6/4; 8/19 & 8/20)
Carrie has been working on the showbills for the Schooling shows. Erica just sent in the info for the Recognized shows. They will be ready for the CSDEA books, region 2&4

Washburn County/Iron River Fair Board met and the dates are locked in. Everything looks good! We need to continually look at and assess the footing in the Dressage and Jumping rings

We need to make sure that the stalls are in good shape. We may be asked to contribute \$\$ to help with this (the cattle barn)

JR/YR: Making a flyer for the Omnibus for the Play Day (10/14) Jody Ely has been contacted about doing the JR/YR clinic.

Website/newsletter: Julie has volunteered to get this out. Need labels. Julie to connect with Jen to get the mailing list.

Jordan will be updating the brochures. Kathi will have them printed at the Print Shop. Please send any pics to Kathi if you want to change the pics in the brochure (by 1/15)

Fundraising: A suggestion was made for a Fundraising Calendar Would like to have members send in pics, possibly each barn taking a page. Hope to get this done by the next meeting. There is a place out of Chanhasen that will do the printing \$7/piece 8 1/2x11, but could go larger. They also have magnetic calendars that are smaller. We could include the show dates on them. 25/\$3. Price decreases with more that are ordered. Could give them out at the banquet.

We have a variety of last years inventory of sweatshirts available to be sold or used as gifts at the banquet
We need to but together a NWDA basket to auction off at the banquet.

Motion: We will spend up to \$500 for the next order of clothing
Motion by Jen, 2nd by Pam—passed

Awards banquet: Carrie C is tabulating the Dressage award scores, Jen is working on the Jumping scores
Will be ordering the ribbons. Pinnacle award ribbon will be a different color
Kathi and Jen met and put together a “To do” list. The invitations will be going out after the 1st of the year.
Last year we had 100 attendees.
Paula (from Kathi’s barn) will be helping with the auction. We need to solicit items for the auction—lessons
from trainers. Julie will work on the list.
Cupcake ideas underway. Teresa will order items for decorating them, lots of fun stuff is available. We will
need cupcake stands. (Kate will check with Marty, Amanda/Alex will check with their mom.) Teresa will get
an estimate on how much we need to spend.
Photographer suggestions: Amber Nicols—Jen will check with her. Another possibility is Erin Johnson
Dale will be back to help
Dover wants an email list for any donations. Julie will check to see if we have missed the deadline. We will
need to send out an email to members to see if it is ok to share this information

Omnibus deadline is 12/15

Jen has the list for advertisers.
Showbills—Kathi and Jen looked at them to make sure that everything is accurate
Jess made changes to the information on the website and will send PDF to Jen and Mandy
Jen asked Mandy if she wanted to meet but Mandy didn’t reply, so that must mean that everything is ok
Jen will have bring any changes that are sent to her to the next meeting for the board to review at the next
meeting
Tack swap date 3/25/17
Kate will get the membership and horse list by the 15th
Tabs will be placed in in Omnibus to better organize it. Color **Lavender**

Old Business: NA

New Business: Meeting dates for next year: 1/9, 2/23, 3/13, 4/10, 5/8, 6/12, 7/10, 8/14, 9/11, 10/9,
11/13—Annual Meeting, 12/11

Next Meeting date: 1/9/17

Motion to adjourn: by Jen, 2nd by Teresa