

Utah Dressage Society
Meeting Minutes
September 8, 2016
4232 S 500 W, Murray, UT 84123

Board Members in Attendance: Stacey Hornsby, President; Caryn Bloom, Secretary; Lara Oles, Director of Communications; Jackie Braun, Treasurer; Donnette Hicks, Director of Education (via phone); Sydni Nusink, Vice President

Board Members Excused: Lee Hornsby, Director of Membership

Call to Order: 6:38pm

1. August meeting minutes reviewed and approved
2. Show Report
 - a. Most profitable show on record in recent years with the highest number of rides to date.
 - b. Perpetual trophies - Sydni to follow up with members who have not yet returned their trophies. Lara to put memo in newsletter about it.
3. Bylaw changes
 - a. Caryn to send marked up version to board for review prior to annual member meeting.
4. Adolphi Grant Application
 - a. Two entries were submitted. One from a board member (Sydni) and one from a member. As the grant specifies, priority is for a board member to receive the award therefore the board unanimously voted and approved to give the award to Sydni.
5. 2017 Show
 - a. Given the success of the 2016 show we have decided to move forward with a show for 2017. Short Tour show will be 8/18 and recognized shows will be 8/19-8/20.
 - b. We only received one bid this year and it came from Millbrook Farms. The board reviewed the bid and approved/accepted their submission.
 - c. We will hire Simone Wendeler to be our Show Secretary for our recognized shows and to be our "L" judge for our Short Tour Show. Caryn Bloom will be the Show Manager and we will hire Debbie Moloznik to be our TD. Caryn to work on identifying judges that are available for the show dates and secure show licenses.
6. Ellen Walker award proposal
 - a. The board unanimously voted to rename the junior sportsmanship award to the Ellen Walker award in honor of her dedication to youth education.
 - b. Sydni will do memorial presentation at the banquet.
7. Jr. sportsmanship award and Volunteer award nominations
 - a. The board reviewed the nominations and selected the recipients. Winners will be announced at the banquet in January with a brief introduction of why they were selected to received the award.
8. Fall Scholarships
 - a. Entries are due on 9/15. So far no submissions received. Reminders have been placed on the web and Facebook page.
9. USDF Convention/Basket
 - a. Sydni will be the delegate for this year's convention and is responsible for filling out the letter of intent to USDF that the UDS will be supplying a gift basket. She will also be responsible for putting the gift basket together.

10. Elections

- a. Positions coming up for election are VP, Treasurer, Competitions, Communications, and Education. Letters of intent have been received as follows: Stacey Palen - Communications, Sydni Nusink - VP, Donnette Hicks - Education. Potential letter of intent for Treasurer coming in from John Larson.
- b. Interim positions coming up for assignment by the board are Secretary and Events. Jennifer McMorrow has expressed interest in Events position. Sydni to contact Beth as potential new secretary.
- c. The nomination committee will consist of - Sydni Nusink, Trisha Kerwin, Beth Siron
- d. We will post on the web who is officially running by Oct 6. Sydni to send list to Caryn.
- e. Elections ballots and proposed bylaw changes will go out on Oct 13 via survey monkey or Google survey

11. November Annual Meeting

- a. Thursday, November 3rd at 6:30pm at the Moreau Auditorium, 1002 E South Temple, Salt Lake City. Lara to put notification in the newsletter.

12. Education

- a. Kristi Wysocki Clinic
 - i. 3 Jr and 2 adult slots booked
 - ii. 1 youth 2 adults left
 - iii. Donnette Hicks provided personal contribution of \$170 for sponsorship for Madeline Mortenson
- b. Instructor Cert Final Exam clinic in progress
- c. Winter Symposium
 - i. Donnette to send Stacey proposed date so she can book the room.
 - ii. Topics for consideration include acupuncture and its health benefits, benefits of vaulting and others to be defined.

13. Financial report

- a. Jackie still working on budget for 2017. Board will review in Oct for review by members at November annual meeting.

14. Membership report

- a. No new members this month. New membership list being sent out by end of month.

15. Communications

- a. Lara to add new classified ad that was received, perpetual trophy returns, election reminder, scholarship reminder, etc.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:37pm