

Minutes for Utah Dressage Society

March 6, 2013

Meeting held at 3191 South 3300 East #230

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Nance Allen, President, MJ Babcock, Vice President, Alison Child, Treasurer, Carol Kounanis, Membership Director, Sari Stevens, Communications Director, Corinne Cody, Director of Competitions, Eva Adolphi, Special Advisor, Ivy Woolley, Secretary

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Sally Shaffer

CALL TO ORDER 6:35

MOTION TO APPROVE FEBRUARY MINUTES: Need to make corrections prior to approval

FINANCIALS: approximate balance of \$24,000.00

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: 121 members to date- JR/YR will have a "vet clinic", working on musical freestyle clinic

ADISOR REPORT: nothing to report

RENEE SPOONER: has stepped down from Director of Marketing position. Nance contacting her to return anything she may have for UDS.

OMNIBUS: forms have been updated. Alison motion charging \$25.00-includes postage, for nonmembers wanting Omnibus, Corinne 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, no objections

WEBSITE: Sari educated us on options and cost available to us. Nance motion UDS set aside 5k for this year for Thirdsun.com or comparable company, to work with Sari for website design, Corinne 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor, no objections. Sari will check out Thirdsun further and negotiate costs.

AA EDUCATION: discussed updates. Fix a test was cancelled.

OPEN BOARD POSITIONS: We now have 2 positions open. We talked about board taking on the task of providing the Banquet. Need marketing position filled. Positions to be filled for 2014-2016: President, Secretary, Membership, and Treasurer. Director of Competitions –complete the final year, up for election 2015. Director of Marketing and Events, 2012-2014

PRIZE LIST CHANGE: Decided UDS is not responsible for prize list changes on the UDS website, instead website would reflect that a change has been made and the reader would be referred to the proper website. UDS annual show will post changes. Short Tour, we will provide where to go for changes.

UPDATE TRAILER INSURANCE: Our possibilities have expanded, waiting for more information before making decision.

TECHNOLOGY AT BOARD MEETINGS: put on hold---Skype, face time etc.

NEWSLETTER PRODUCTION DATE: now that we are more nimble with the website, no reason to continue to hold the newsletter distribution. Shelly will get it out once per month.

CLARIFICATION OF EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS: Beginning immediately: deadline is the same for board members, as other UDS members. First preference will be given to UDS applicants who are AA, Open, and Jr/Yr. Any scholarships that remain unawarded after the first round, board members who submitted an application will be considered. Preference is to give one of each, if we have more than one applicant for a division and no applicants for other divisions, we will award the 3 scholarships. Example: 2 for AA, none for open, 1 for Jr/YR, we would award, all three, 2 AA in place of the available open division, and 1 for JR/YR. Carol motion this be effective immediately, Alison 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, no objections.

OUTGOING BOARD MEMBER GIFT: This will be a Dressage saddle pad with a "UDS Star" on both sides of the pad. Non-riding members will receive a \$50.00 gift certificate to Horse Crazy.

UPCOMING BOARD CHANGES CLARIFICATION: Positions to be filled for 2014-2016 are President, Secretary, Membership, and Treasurer. Positions for 2012 – 2014 are Competition, Marketing, Events and Communications.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS: Shared and discussed

USEF NEW HEADGEAR RULE: Protective headgear rule change for Dressage to go into effect April 1, 2013. Waiving jackets, shirts get colorful; requirement that the shirt be light- solid or conservative in color has gone away. Fly hoods are permitted for competitions held outdoors. Fly hoods should be discreet and should not cover the horse's eyes they cannot be used for masking noise cancelling earplugs: after completion of the test, the rider or his representative is responsible for removing the fly hood to present to the ring steward.

MOVE MEETING TO EVERGREEN LIBRARY: everyone agreed to keep at Nance's office

ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET: Discussed price and prize amount. Number of prizes has gone up and the cost has gone up.

ADOURN 8:30