

ENYDCTA 2/7/22 Minutes

ENYDCTA Board Meeting Minutes

Virtual: February 7, 2022, called to order at 8:30pm

Board Members: Joy, Jeff, Christy, Kimberley, Jennifer, Denise, Margie, Beth

Members: Rita Moore, Dana Stanton

- Reports:
 - President, Joy
 - Briefly introduce that attorney meetings with Dana Stanton were held discussing releases, bylaws review, IRS rules scholarships for 501c(3) not 501(a), ENYDCTA is a 501(a). See New Business.
 - New schooling show committee was formed and our first meeting was 1/31 and dates are set. See Committee Reports.
 - Discussions with Debra Reinhardt from Centerline events about volunteers for R8C. See New Business.
 - Joy took a call from Sandra Hemstreet about setting up a clinic at the barn where she boards. See New Business.
 - Recording Secretary, Christy
 - Discussed several sites to use to register volunteers so we get less emails, Signup Genius used in the past for volunteer signups, could be used for events as well, or a point person and use of the Wild Apricot system.
 - Corresponding Secretary, Kimberley
 - Will be sending email with instructions on how to send emails via the website.
 - Treasurer's Report, Jennifer
 - Jennifer reviewed financial statements. Beth Moves to accept, Joy Second, All in Favor.
 - Piaffe Flyer April – Alyson.
 - Alyson not able to make the meeting, we will defer to April for publication so we can obtain sponsors.
- Committee Reports
 - Schooling show series (2/21 next meeting)– Alyson Worthington. (Info presented by Joy)
 - Dates June 20th (Monday) possible judge Celeste Brown; July 4th (Monday) judge TBA; August 20th (Saturday) judge TBA. Next meeting 2/21.
- Old and unfinished business
 - 1/3 minutes-Propose to accept the 1/3 minutes & record in google drive and the website. Jeff Motion, Beth Second, All in Favor.
 - YEAP date change: Propose we change the due date to 10/15/22 (4 wks before banquet) and honor any USDF/USEA members that receive medals at a later time by posting it on social media and our website. Jeff Motion, Christy Second, All in Favor.
 - Discussed logistics of 2/12 educational forum with Jeff (apprx.1.5-2hrs) - Social hour immediately following Jeff's forum in the heating viewing room.
 - 3/20 Margie jumping clinic and discussion coming up. Will need 1-2 volunteers to greet newcomers & share info about enydcta. We will need to get the voice amplifier to Margie after the Jeff forum.
 - 5/21 Landsafe clinic-Larkin Hill. At least ½ full. Free auditing to members. 12 currently registered.
- New Business:
 - Concern about personal emails from the agenda, removed from minutes for publication.
 - Dana Stanton- Brief review/ Q&A of the **"Safety in Agriculture Tourism Act."** This law is an inherent risk act intended to shield equine and agricultural tourism businesses from liability for the potential risks incurred by inviting the public onto farm property. Dana discussed how it impacts ENYDCTA and what releases, signage and waivers should be used for events to be covered under this act. Info to be shared in the Piaffe Flyer, and potentially on the website and social media to advise our members. Christy to print and laminate signage discussed for future event use starting on 2/12.
 - We need a new volunteer coordinator to replace Beth Dewitt who has resigned as of the end of February. Any suggestions? Next step: Joy to send out an email to the general membership to fill this position.

- Memberships- Review of members benefits. The classified posts on the website are currently inactive, to be reviewed at the next meeting. Current benefits listed below:

Junior membership

- For members 21yrs of age
- Opportunities for young riders
- Scholarships
- GMO membership to USDF
- USDF Connection
- Discounts at ENYDCTA sponsored events
- Learning and Volunteering Opportunities
- Electronic newsletters
- Copy of Piaffe Flyer

Adult membership

- Scholarships
- GMO membership to USDF
- USDF Connection
- Discounts at ENYDCTA sponsored events
- Learning and Volunteering Opportunities
- Electronic newsletters
- Copy of Piaffe Flyer
- 5 classified posts per year

Business membership

- 1 Adult Membership plus:
- 2 business cards in they Piaffe Flyer
- Half Page ad in the ENYDCTA Directory
- Addition of URL and logo to ENYDCTA members directory
- Promote your shows on ENYDCTA.com
- 10 Classified posts per year

- Sandra Hemstreet Sablewood stable in Fultonville, NY: Joy proposes that Sandra organize an Ida Anderson or similar Dressage (with Western Dressage option) clinic at Sablewood stable with at least a breakeven budget. Motioned to table until a clinician and budget can be confirmed by Sandra. Jeff motioned, Christy second, all in favor.
- Beth has the club seal. Looking to see if anyone near her can pick it up and give it to Jeff who has ENYDCTA stuff in storage. **Following the meeting it was found that the seal was broken beyond repair and the board opted to have a new one made**
- Region 8 Championship 2022/2023 HITS/Volunteers: Joy proposed use of an Airbnb house for volunteers rather than a hotel and the need to train our volunteers. Will discuss at a later time the idea of training scribes using experienced members before our schooling shows start and use them at our shows for experience. Joy is looking to propose we have an “ENYDCTA scribe development program”.
 - Motion to propose the following fees: \$75 for scribes/day and \$50 for stewards/gatekeepers that need housing. \$100 a day for scribes and \$75 for stewards/gatekeepers that do not need overnight accommodations. Christy motioned, Jeff second, all in favor.

Adjournment:

- Next Meeting 3/7 Virtually at 8:30pm
- For next meeting new business.
 - USDF/USEA membership topic and membership status for sponsors listed below for discussion
 - Member of the year – Propose to change this to a member (non-officer) that volunteers the most hours and/or has the biggest impact for the club and is decided by the board.
 - Scholarship guidelines update – IRS rules for an officer to obtain a scholarship for a 501(a) vs 501b(3). We are a 501(a).I propose we do not allow an officer to apply for a scholarship during their active term. Looking for 3 people for the scholarship committee with Jeff Lindberg as chair.
 - Discuss changing the free for lifetime membership for enydcta presidents. Proposal starting with Joy that we eliminate this. Discuss grandfather the current past presidents.
 - Free Membership for sponsors, ie Deb Reardon at Dover, without sending \$24 to USDF.
 - Instructors 2-day retreat in October backed by an amateur 2-day clinic. Possibly Lilo Fore.
 - YEAP: I propose we form a committee to look at & update our awards and their qualifications especially with a schooling show series.
 - ENYDCTA procedural manual: Looking to create a procedural manual of the board positions and the processes involved in running the club (things that are not in the bylaws). Joy volunteers to take this on with the input of the officers.
- Topics for future meetings:
 - Logos - Do we keep both logos, our signature historic logo and the new one.
 - Discuss Potential for New website for 12/2022.

Adjournment at 9:45, motion by Jeff, Second by Beth, All in Favor.
Next meeting will be held virtually on 3/7 @ 8:30pm.