

ENYDCTA Board Meeting 12/04/2023

Present: President- Joy Black, Vice President – Jeff Lindberg, Recording Secretary- Rita Moore, Treasurer – Jennifer Saunders, YEA – Andrea McBurnie, Junior Coordinator and Volunteer Coordinator – Barb Martenis, Webmaster – Peter Tkaczyk and Jenn Symon, Member-at-large – Andrea McBurnie and Ray Wheliam.

Meeting called to order at 7:02 by Joy Black. Motion made and second to accept minutes of the November meeting. Motion passed. Introductions made pertaining to new members of the board and changes to areas of responsibility.

Reports

- a. President: Began discussion of budget and item regarding facility fees. Discussion followed focusing on broadening/expanding services to non-competing members; use of surplus; prudent reserve; possible symposium at Skidmore; possible reduction of fees for participants. Amounts suggested for facility fee in budget \$250 and \$300.
- b. Treasurer: Income for the month minus expenses resulted in loss of \$894. Income from Silent Auction \$2600. \$9695 surplus for the year and \$32,388 in the bank. Motion made to accept the monthly financial statements, second and passed.
- c. Piaffe Flyer: Joy reported Meredith Vanderminden expected sending Flyer to printer within the week.
- d. Volunteerism: Barb Martenis suggested defining the needs of the organization. Joy stated she has a list of needs and volunteers in an event planner. Joy felt the need was in finding self-starters - volunteers who would oversee/organize events. Further discussion followed. Ray volunteered to be “boots on the ground” day before and day of for two dressage and combined test shows prior to September. Joy will send event planner to board members and schedule meeting to continue discussion.
- e. Fund raising: Joy suggested the possibility of initiating a virtual schooling show. Discussion followed regarding either replacing an in-person show or adding it to the schooling show schedule.
- f. Clinicians: Joy indicated she has reached out to Debbie McDonnell, Linda Zang, Kathy Connelly. Beth Baumert would like to come back.
- g. Skidmore College: possible location but cost could be an issue. Jennifer stated grant was a possibility to help with cost. Ray said Skidmore is heated so that would be a consideration for comfort in the stands. Ray would look into number of spectators that could comfortably be seated in stands. More information needed on stalls, dragging of area, and cost.
- h. Combined training: Barb Martenis suggested looking into programing for combined training and western dressage. Ida Norris in southern Vermont mentioned for Western dressage event.

Motion made and second to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:09. Next meeting scheduled for 7:00 on January 8, second Monday in January due to New Year’s Day.