

ENYDCTA Board Meeting 02/05/2024

Present: President- Joy Black, Vice President – Jeff Lindberg, Recording Secretary- Rita Moore, YEA – Andrea McBurnie, Junior Coordinator and Volunteer Coordinator – Barb Martenis, Member-at-large –Ray Whelihan.

Meeting called to order by president Joy Black at 7:02. Motion made and second to accept minutes of the January meeting. Motion passed.

Reports

a. President:

*First organizational group in place for jumping clinic at Larkin Hill on April 7,2024.

*Gold sponsors: Dover and RE. Contacted and waiting to hear back.

*Budget: motion made and second to accept previously submitted 2023-24 budget by treasurer Jennifer Saunders. Motion passed.

New Business

- a.Mission/vision: Rita Moore presented report to the Board on development of Mission Vision statements. Committee comprised of Rita Moore, Joy Black and Meredith Vanderminster researched exiting statement models, such as USDF, and developed a mission vision statement focusing on education, recognition of achievement, and promotion of dressage. Motion made and second to accept mission/vision statements. Motion passed.

Mission: To offer a high standard of education, recognition of achievement, and promotion of dressage and combined training.

Vision: To implement exemplary equine programs that improve the knowledge and skills of our members and the larger community.

Value statement will be developed and presented to the Board at the March meeting.

- b. Junior scholarship program: Discussion reviewed previous meeting remarks on change to junior scholarship program. Promotion seemed key to juniors knowing about and submitting and application. Instagram and Facebook linkage could increase visibility of program. Barb Martenis and Peter Tkaczyk will follow up. Also suggestion made that application could be completed as e-document. Motion made and second to increase one junior and one adult scholarship to \$500. Motion passed.
- c. SPAMMERS: Joy reported problems on Facebook and e-mail accounts. Urged to report and block.
- d. Instructor's Clinic: Suggestion made that Lendon Grey be contacted for a fall program. Joy will contact her regarding content of her Teaching4Training program and her availability.
- e. Virtual Clubhouse: Suggestion made to create a virtual clubhouse on website in lieu of a brick and mortal building. Jen Symon and Peter Tkaczyk asked to work on it. Discussion followed on possible long term program to acquire a physical building.
- f. Upcoming meeting/clinics:
- a. February 10th 4pm zoom with Joy, Jeff, Andrea Joan Fleser to review Year End Awards
 - b. 4/7 Jumping clinic/Lecture with Margie Hutchinson at Larkin Hill
 - c. 4/14 Jessica Van Eyck clinic/symposium
 - d. 5/1-4 Linda Zang
 - e. 6/9 SS #1

- f. 7/14 SS #2
 - g. 9/6 Fix a Test/Round
 - h. 9/18-22 R8championship fundraiser
 - i. Need to schedule instructors clinic, cross country clinic, banquet, online auction, and Beth Baumert clinic. Discussion regarding possible eventing members who would be interested in joining the Board.
- g. PA System: Joy proposed updating outdoor PA system to replace battery system currently in use. Motion made and second to approve up to \$2,000.00 for the purchase of an public address system for use at our clinics and other similar events. Motion passed.

Old Business

- a. Mentoring: Ray Whelihan updated idea of putting together a series of educational things that lead to a recognized starter horse trial at Larkin Hill which Margie has scheduled for September 1st. Need to have young riders and adults sign up for package that he is putting together that will assist inexperienced riders understand how to read the course, etc.
- b. Winter Program Series: 40 attended the second program with Audrey Paslow and Cailin Sanford. Photos from event posted on ENYDCTA website as well as by Dover.

Motion made and second to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:08.

Next meeting scheduled for 7:00 on March 4,2024.