ENYDCTA Board Meeting 01/08/2024

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

Informal meeting begun by recording secretary at 7:06 and shortly thereafter by vice-president Jeff Lindberg awaiting arrival of president. Discussion begun on development of vision/mission state. Meredith Vanderminden and Joy Black volunteered with Rita Moore to research and develop a draft mission statement for the next meeting. Joy Black, having joined the meeting, continued chairing.

Motion made and second to accept minutes of the December meeting. Motion passed.

Reports

- a. President:
 - *Dates, locations, and judges set for two schooling shows Krystal Wilt at Trilogy and Allison King at Winterwood.
 - *Linda Zang scheduled to come for clinic from May 1-4.
 - *Jumping clinic with Margie Hutchinson at Larkins' Hill on April 7.
 - *Winter Program series all set and registration for Fiona Farrell program has begun. *Efforts being made to bring eventing back into ENYDCTA. Discussion followed about options for juniors and eventing riders and volunteers needed to organize such a program. Discussion followed on developing an eventing program that would include junior riders. Chestnut Ridge mentioned as location. Andrea McBurnie volunteered to contact Chestnut Ridge.
 - *Ray Whelihan suggested a type of scaffold program to help rider with first horse trial. Discussion followed on developing a mentor program.
 - *Beth Baumert interested and available for a clinic possibly in June.
 - *Symposium at Skidmore College discussed for 2025. Denny Emerson was suggested by Jeff Lindberg as presenter.
 - *Interest expressed by Ray Whelihan to connect with active pony clubs in Chambridge at Chestnut Ridge, Old Chatham, and possibly Delhi.
- b. Junior Riders Discount: Barb Martenis suggested giving ENYDCTA junior members getting a 20% on cost of clinics. Discussion followed relative to whether a discount was the most effective use of funds compared to use of funds for program. Andrea McBurnie suggested considering restructuring scholarships that would benefit juniors. Tabled for further consideration of budget and scholarship structure.
- c. Treasurer's Report: Posted profit for December of \$1555. Bank account balance \$33728.74. Received \$1415 in membership fees and \$1050 for volunteer fees from HITS fall show. Renewal expense for Wild Apricot software \$818. Credit card transaction fees of \$131. Paying a monthly international fee of \$8-\$10 because our website is in Canada. Peter Tkaczyk asked to investigate if we could get billed in American dollars rather than Canadian rate. Motion made and second to accept treasurer's report. Motion passed.

Motion made and second to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:18. Next meeting scheduled for 7:00 on February 5,2024.