

ENYDCTA Board Meeting 03/04/2024

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, Piaffe Flyer Editor – Meredith Vanderminden, Member-at-large –Ray Whelihan and Joan Fleser.

Meeting called to order at 7:05. Motion made and second to accept minutes of the February meeting with revision. Motion passed.

Reports

- a. President:
 - *First organizational meeting scheduled for 3/24/2024.
- b. *Financial Report: Income of \$1795, expenses \$524. Surplus of \$1260. Bank account balance \$33,501.74.
- c. *Reviewed upcoming events, responsible person, and those areas still needing support.
- d. *Presented plan by Ray Whelihan for providing educational mentoring program for eventers at ENYDCTA events. Joan Fleser will partner him.

New Business

- a. Introduction of board member-at-large Joan Fleser. Joan was one of the original ENYDCTA members, its first president and currently a USEA Area 1 Council member. She is a USEF “R” Dressage TD, “S” Eventing TD, “R” Eventing Judge, FEI Eventing Judge, Dressage and Eventing Stewart. She also is a USEA Young Event Horse and Future Event Horse Judge.
- b. L-grad program: needs to be endorsed by local GMO. Proposed program in April when credits are due. Auditors should be included. Organizers – Allison King and Breanna Sprik. Motion made, second and passed.
- c. Upcoming meeting/clinics:
 - a. 4/7 Jumping clinic/Lecture with Margie Hutchinson at Larkin Hill
 - b. 4/14 Jessica Van Eyck clinic/symposium
 - c. 5/1-4 Linda Zang
 - d. 6/9 SS #1
 - e. 7/14 SS #2
 - f. 9/6 Fix a Test/Round
 - g. 9/18-22 R8 championship fundraiser
- d. Linda Zang Clinic: cost set at \$275 for members and \$300 for non-members. Auditors costs set at members \$30 and non-members \$60. Registration to open 3/4 or 3/5/2024.

Old Business

- a. Values statement presented by Rita Moore. Motion made to accept values statement as presented. Motion passed.

Equity and inclusion: Provide an equal and inclusive dressage and combined training environment and opportunities for participation regardless of race, gender, and ability.

Integrity: Promote a culture of transparency based on open, honest, and trustworthy conduct that reflects the mission and vision of ENYDCTA for the benefit of the membership.

Excellence: Provide exceptional educational opportunities for personal growth and development of the riding community.

Welfare: Encourage care and compassion for horses and riders so that all activities are safe, kind, positive, and productive.

- b. Winter Program Series: Final program presented by Morgen Bowers at Dover Saddlery, Latham. Presentation followed by Q&A period.
- c. Instructor's Clinic: Lendon Gray agreed to do a training4teaching either online or in person. Discussion followed. In person preferred.
- d. Scholarship date: For this year Nov. 1st
- e. Purchase of sound system: System upgrade to include transmitter and headset for rider increases cost to over \$2,000 and needed by April 7th.
- f. Peter Tkaczyk and Jennifer Symon: Website survey report. 15% response rate and 28 votes. Results included mostly used to research events, less used for club news and past events. Overall response showed people were satisfied. No negative responses entered. Suggestions for improvements received and implemented.
- g. Banner: Discussion about number of banners and sample designs shared. Motion made and passed to purchase up to two banners for \$300. More designs to be developed and shared via email.

Motion made and second to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:17.

Next meeting scheduled for 7:00 on April 1,2024.