

Meeting Minutes - May 25, 2023 via Zoom

Participants:

- Ellen Douglas
- Renee Stockfisch
- Emily Fernald
- Laura Stockfisch
- Susan Ritzcalla
- Laura Pitassi
- Karen O'Malley
- Kyle Fernald

Secretary's Report

- Amendment made by Susan.
- Motion made by Laura P, seconded by Ellen, unanimously accepted.

Treasurers Report

- Sent out by Susan R. via email
- Unknown amounts from 2-Phase show from NHDEA to Jim that still need to be paid. No invoices were received from Jim at this time.
- One lost check from Event Entries to NHDEA.
- Use Square in the future when possible to avoid lost checks.
- Members gained at 2-Phase not recorded due to lack of information.
 - 4+ people said they were members at the show, but were not and did not pay membership dues.
- Overall treasurer's report is not accurate due to several floating expenses.
- Motion made by Laura P, seconded by Karen, passed unanimously.

Membership Report

- 52 members total.
- Expect to have 20-25 new members with the show.
- 500+ emails from previous members sent to Laura S.
- Accessible Google file with the membership list.
- Motion made by Emily F to accept, seconded by Karen, unanimously accepted.

Zoom Account

- Ellen reported that Zoom does not offer a discounted rate for non-profit organizations

June 4 Show Update

- No email from Liz with details, minimal details from Paula
- Friday afternoon before the show Laura will bring table, tent, ribbons, banners, etc. to Atkinson. Email will be sent to the board with the location of items after she drops them off
- Paula has been gathering tons of volunteers for the show, lots of FB posts. She is still gathering more volunteers.

- Paula has a PDF list of volunteers and their roles, as well as their arrival times
- Volunteers will be given shirts
- Most positions have been filled
- Show is $\frac{3}{4}$ full
- Emily is going to try to stop by and volunteer
- Laura P requesting all ribbons be returned to her so that they don't get lost again
 - Paula will be in charge of this
- Laura S. looking to have more communication regarding the preparation and execution of the June show in preparation for the Sept. show
- We think Liz wants to run Sept. show as well

RRR and Info Session

- Overall went well!
- RRR paid for the info session
- Great positive feedback from riders
- Gained members and riders for the June 4 show
- Not as big of a turnout as we had hoped, next time we should pick a date in advance and advertise more

USDF GMO Session

- GMO Meeting on June 5 at 6:00 PM via Zoom, all board members are welcome
- Laura P and Susan attending
- Last year was more about USDF than an interactive opportunity

By-Laws

- No spending limit on by-laws
- Should we review those who continually miss meetings and potentially replace them with others who have expressed interest in joining?

Future Shows

- How much money could the club retain if we ran shows without Liz?
- This would need one person who knows what they're doing and spearhead the event
- Emily recommends some education on the technicalities of the show before we run it without Liz
- Learn more about running the show at the Sept. show so that NHDEA can run it by ourselves next year
- October 2-phase at UNH?
 - Kyle checking preexisting dressage shows, and Laura P checking preexisting 2-phases in October
 - Start advertising ASAP if we want to make this happen
 - \$1,175 facility fee at UNH
- Liz has about a \$500 fee per show
 - Possible to know how much of each entry fee is going to Liz

- No contract has been signed with Liz to the participating board member's knowledge
- Would it be rude for the board to run the show instead of Liz?
- Liz has knowledge of USDF and USEF rules
 - Would we have to hire a TD if we didn't use Liz?
- TD is not required, as it is not a recognized show
- Renee has knowledge of dressage rules, but not jumping
- USEF/USDF has published rules online
- Do we let Liz run the shows if she isn't charging us a large sum of money?
 - Susan will follow up

Next Meeting:

- Review by-laws in time for the next meeting
- Thursday, June 22 at 7:00PM (meeting dates posted on website)