

NMDA Board of Director (BoD) Meeting Minutes

July 11, 2018

Foundation for the Pure Spanish Horse 115 Elm St NE, ABQ

10:30 am - 12 noon

All members and interested public welcome.

President Teresa Heine welcomed all members present: Barbara Burkhardt, Kathleen Martin, and Winnie Fitch. Absent: Maureen Mestas, Valerie Simpson, Susan Reed, Gina McKay.

Secretary's report for May 2018: Barbara Burkhardt moved the May minutes be accepted as corrected. Winnie Fitch seconded. Approved by all.

Secretary's report for June 2018: Teresa Heine moved the June minutes be accepted as corrected. Winnie Fitch seconded. Approved by all.

Treasurer's report: Winnie Fitch, treasurer pro-tem, reported \$19,888.83 in checkbook with \$5,364.15 in Certificate of Deposit. Search for another venue to deposit more treasury monies continues. Winnie is still working on directors' insurance with more information to come for next meeting.

Committee/Liaison Reports

Membership: Chair Winnie Fitch reports 93 members at this time.

Shows: Show manager Teresa Heine reported the show at Goosedown Farms in Galisteo in June was a success in spite of the rain that day. Elyse Gold has contracted to judge the August 19 show at Roy-el Farms in Espanola. The facility contract for this show has not been received from Erlene Seybold-Smythe. Kathleen Martin with assistance from Barbara Burkhardt will manage this show. Kathleen will follow up with Erlene about contract, volunteers, catering, etc.

September 9 show at Vista Sandia Equestrian Park is on with Winnie Fitch managing. No judge contracted yet; Teresa Heine is pursuing.

Teresa reported that the \$450 late fee to the USDF for the May 13 recognized show has been paid.

Youth: no report.

Western Dressage: no report.

Member-at-Large: no report.

Old Business

Mini-grants. After some discussion of the wording of the proposal and guidelines in the Standing Rules, the BoD tabled this item until next meeting. Barbara Burkhardt, author of change proposal, will continue her research.

Publicity and Social Media: While the BoD feels this person and tasks are necessary to advance the New Mexico Dressage Association and its mission, this item will be tabled until a willing person comes forward to oversee and operate. Outreach will continue to be done via E-mail blasts and personal contact.

The Dressage Foundation...re concern about conflict of interest with Kathleen Martin acting as NM representative of TDF while having a voting seat on BoD...no report.

Name the Arena Contest: no report. Due date for entries is July 31, 2018.

New Business

Winnie Fitch announced she will serve as treasurer for next term but will step down from the position of membership chair. President's and vice-president positions are open at end of 2018 year. Secretary's position stands until end of 2019 year.

Election Process has begun: target dates from By-Laws for 2019 service year are in italics: *the nominating committee must be in place by **August 1**.* President Teresa Heine will call together three members including herself as the board member on the committee. *A board member running for office cannot serve on this committee.*

*Members can nominate others or themselves and submit a bio including qualifications for the office to the Nomination/Election Committee by **September 10**. Only current Members in good standing may run for office. Candidate bios will be published on the website and distributed via email no later than **Sept 18**.*

*Ballots must be available to all members by **October 1**.*

Arena rental: Two outside agencies have requested rental of NMDA's dressage court: SFDA for *Dressage at Santa Fe* show on July 13-14 and Expo for *State Fair* in September 2018. Contract was signed by president and treasurer for SFDA show today with contract, damage

deposits and fee to be attained from SFDA 7/12/18. NMDA will oversee delivery, set-up, and take-down of court at each site with mileage to be reimbursed by renting agency.

Sale of donated apparel at SFDA's show w/e of July 13-14. Kathleen will pursue this venture with SFDA leadership with an offer to split any profits.

NMDA calendar page: Teresa Heine will follow-up with webmaster Harold Baskin on changes to the calendar page. Specifically, do not eliminate the NMDA page but take the calendar part off that page and highlight the NMDA events on the full calendar page. Change the title of the "NMDA page" to: "Schooling show and clinic information" as it is on the menu. The info about the next NMDA show/event with addresses, directions, etc., needs to be kept on the "NMDA" page.

Meeting adjourned at 12:20.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Martin, secretary