

NMDA May 11, 2022 meeting 6:08

Roll call: John Collins-VP, Maribeth St Cyr-President, Sarah Turner-Membership, Susan Reed-Youth, Keely Southwick-Treasurer, Amy Glenn-Member at large. Diana Corbin-Secretary

Minutes approval: John asked about the Pilates clinic and what month which was excluded from prior minutes. It was confirmed that the clinic is scheduled for September 16-19.

John made a movement to approve the minutes with the amendment. Susan seconded it. All approved.

Susan's update on the youth: She talked to Brittany at the 4H office and none of the youth are interested in a Western Dressage clinic. So unfortunately the arena will not be able to be used by our club.

She is looking into other avenues to get youth involved such as the Quarter Horse Show where 2 young riders attended and showed WD. And asking Mariah Wilson about the Arab Club.

Susan is also still working on getting the Equine Lettering into the schools.

John updated us that the awards have all been distributed.

Sarah estimates that there are about 68 members at this time in NMDA. She will get with Keely with the batch number and amount to be sent to USDF.

Amy thinks the show was a success and was able to talk with some members about the ribbon system.

Maribeth told us that the May 8th show at Vista Sandia was successful financially.

There were 26 riders, 38 rides, total amount coming in was: \$1325

Judge cost: \$200, venue-\$200,(have not been collected yet, added the fee after we signed the contract) lunch-\$55

We promised to send TDF \$10 for every 3rd or 4th test, we owe them \$160

So the final profit was \$820 (\$1,020 if the venue does not collect)

In addition Kim Fredenburg donated \$10 to TDF

Tack Swap- \$31

Sandia Vista arena people were hard to work with and have yet to ask for venue cost.

Maribeth shared that set up was hard and much easier at Cherry Tree Farm

Keely's treasury report was that the show liability insurance of \$945 was paid and good for one year- Until April 2023.

In our general fund we have \$15,450
Education fund: \$4,615
CD: \$6,179

Total: \$26,244

From the Member Survey Rachel Saavedra shared that she would like to be apart of our future plans on a clinic.

Discussion was opened up about the ribbon system. Either staying the same with percentage ribbons based on scores, or class placement ribbons. The final consensus is that for now we stay with percentage ribbons, but acknowledge class placement winners on the website.

For next show June 18th at Cyclone Arena in Stanley, we need volunteers to go early in the morning and set up the arena. Maribeth has room in her car if anyone wants a ride. Diana will be there and can help. Please ask friends and family to volunteer.

We also need a bit checker. We have a teen willing to volunteer, but needs education on what to look for in proper bits.

Cindy will be the scribe at the show and will bring the judge Gwynn.

We need to plan for lunch as there isn't much up there.

We need a gate person

Let Maribeth know if you can help

Maribeth will send out a blurb about volunteer mini grants

Sarah volunteered to set up clinic with Rachel Saavedra. This entails what the clinic will be about, venue, funding, etc. Maribeth suggested looking at USDF as they give funding for education events.

The General meeting was renamed Membership Appreciation Meeting. It is scheduled for July 23rd, hopefully at Cherry Tree, John will confirm. Sarah and Diana volunteered to head this up.

Diana made a motion to adjourn meeting 6:45. John seconded it.

Next meeting June 8th.