

## **NMDA Board of Directors (BoD) Meeting Minutes of October 11, 2017**

### **Foundation for the Pure Spanish Horse**

**115 Elm St NE, ABQ**

**All members and interested public welcome.**

**The October 11, 2017 meeting of the Board of Directors began at 6:45 p.m.**

Present: Susan Reed, Winifred Fitch, Teresa Heine, Kathleen Martin and Dawn Foster.

**Minutes:** Teresa Heine moved to accept the September secretary's report as corrected. Winifred Fitch seconded. Accepted.

**Treasurer's report,** Winnie Fitch     \$19237.23.

Membership report, Winnie Fitch     No new members; membership stands at 77.

**Schooling shows,** Teresa Heine: Maureen Mestas to donate a youth high point award to the Cherry Tree Farm show on Nov. 12, '17. Teresa has submitted volunteer hours for Espanola show to Dawn Foster, awards chair. Gave contract for Karen Lencyk, 11/12 CTF show, to Susan Reed. NMDA will be setting its 2018 calendar in November, 2017. **Note:** Susan Reed wrote letter to Cat Parks of Trinity Ranch of NMDA's limit of \$300 for arena payment in standing rules.

**Youth/Activities** Gina McKay: no report. **Western Dressage,** Nance McManus: Nance's report was read by Susan Reed. See website under Western Dressage for complete report.

**Old Business:** Standing rules - When we update the rules we must put the date next to the updated article in the text. This is a format only issue; no vote necessary.

For November: check the date the BoD moved to stipulate how mini-grants would be given to beneficiaries.

Membership data: Winnie Fitch moved that contact information not be released to outside parties except on a case by case basis. Susan Reed seconded. Approved.

Fees: Security deposit will be returned or check destroyed if no damage (ie rented or borrowed equipment). Any bank-returned check for NSF will cost \$25. Theresa Heine so moved and Winnie Fitch seconded. Approved.

Advertising and calendar notice on website: will read “any person putting on a dressage-related activity can have a calendar notice with link.” Winnie Fitch so moved; Teresa Heine seconded. Approved.

A change from April 12 meeting states a new rule on the way awards are given out. This needs to be added to the standing rules.

End of the year awards IIA: include “Champion and Reserve Champion at each level by division for both Classical and Western Dressage” in text.

Clarification on awards information: show managers and scorers should go to three decimal points.

Issue: Should volunteer hours be waived for 2017? Result: Leave the way it is for this year.

Request: put message about deadline for year-end awards on Facebook and in E-mail blast.

McMullin clinic update, Dawn Foster: ride re-ride day has 3 entries in hand for 14 available slots. Winnie Fitch moved to cancel the ride re-ride for lack of entries. Teresa Heine seconded. Approved 4-0.

Dawn Foster, organizer, will try to shift the Ride-re-riders to available slots at Cool Country Farm.

Donation of dressage court by Maureen Mestas: Susan Reed will send a thank you letter to Maureen on behalf of NMDA. Future issue: scholarship or award in Maureen’s name.

Speaker system for McMullin clinic at Cool Country Farm: Kathleen Martin moved that board take Quickbeam’s quote for 2 speakers, mixer, and ear set for \$225 (not including tax). Winnie Fitch seconded. 3 in favor, 1 against.

**New Business:** Kathleen (secretary) will put out an e-mail blast requesting nominations or self-nominations for treasurer (Winnie Fitch is stepping down), secretary, and member-at-large.

Ballots and membership renewal will be sent out in November.

Required general meeting: Teresa Heine will ask Eric Salazar to do a core fitness exercise program at the general membership meeting. Date to be determined.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m. Respectfully submitted, Kathleen Martin, secretary

