MINUTES

MNDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

April 12, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by John Collins, President

Board Members Present: John Collins, Rusty Cook, Donald Simpson, Marybeth Perez Soto, Susan Dezavelle, Randi Phillips, Sean Cunningham, Rena Haynes, Virginia Gredell, Barbara Burkhardt.

Board Members Absent: Denai Meyer, Linda Ettling, Harold Baskin

Guests Present: John and Cat Parks.

1. **Minutes**: John moved, Randi seconded a motion that the Agenda be approved as sent out. Motion carried.

2. **Financial Report**: Rena reported a reduction of \$44/yr on Officers and Directors insurance. There is a total cash balance of \$20,164.03 Even though the Sandia Vista schooling show was cancelled due to weather, there were expenses of <\$10. The club's taxes have been filed. A State Franchise Tax has been paid. Enchantment Driving Society is looking for donations to help pay for a message board at Sandia Vista. MOTION to donate \$50 was made by Marybeth, seconded by Randi; motion carried. MOTION to accept the Financial Report was made by Randi, seconded by Susan; motion carried.

3. **Schooling Shows**: John reported that Denai has had some medical problems, but she is still on top of the schooling show issues. She's had lots of help from Barbara and others. There were no complaints about the Cherry Tree show. The Sandia Vista show was cancelled due to weather; Barbara spearheaded this show and ended up taking down the arena by herself when the show was cancelled. Watermelon Mountain Pony Club is having a horse trial in April. They use Eventing tests, but will also have USEF tests for those who want them. The Schooling Shows entry form was changed after the Cherry Tree show but wasn't voted on. MOTION to include category for Junior Riders 18 and Under was made by Sean, seconded by Randi; motion carried. The issue of Western Dressage was discussed again. MOTION to follow USDF guidelines and USEF Dressage Division rules and tests but to allow western attire and tack EXCEPT that dressage-legal snaffle bits must be used was made by Susan, seconded by Marybeth; motion carried.

4. **Recognized Shows**: Donald reported that the March show had good weather and a good turnout. The May prize list is online.

5. **Membership**: Virginia reported that there are 8 additional members, bringing the total to 150+. We need more USDF Test Booklets to send out to new members. Rena will order the minimum necessary to get the bulk discount.

6. Education: Marybeth reported that the Carol Lavelle dinner and clinic are next week.

7. **Youth**: Sean wants to develop a JR/YR page on the website and will write the content and work with Harold to get it online. He will also be getting the scholarship committee together to organize deadlines, the selection process, etc.

8. Old Business

Susan Reed requested discussion of potential reduced rate for youth riders at Schooling Shows. The Board has discussed this before. No action was taken. Susan Dezavelle and Rusty Cook have been nominated for the PM Delegate election (Region 5). Voting will take place in June. The club can also send a GM Delegate, to be elected later. Region 5 has requested nominations for the Lifetime Achievement Award. MOTION to give Tamany Marshall a High Point Award for I-1 to include a \$50 gift certificate to Dan's and publication in the newsletter. A need for more club news and less general interest information in the newsletter was noted.

9. Announcements: The next meeting will be held May 10, 6:30 PM at the 66 Diner.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Rusty Cook, Secretary