

MINUTES
NMDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS
December 7, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Susan Dezavalle, President.

Board Members present: Susan Dezavalle, Randi Phillips, Barbara Burkhardt, Virginia Gredell, Donald Simpson, Marybeth Perez-Soto, Denai Meyer, Rena Haynes. Guests present: Rusty Cook, John Collins, Ulla Hudson, Kim Noetzel, Sean Cunningham, Peter Forrest.

Dezavalle: Add to Standing Rules – Ballots for the Annual Election shall be kept for 90 days (3 months) after the close of balloting.

The menu for the Awards Banquet was presented.

Haynes: Treasurer's Report was distributed. Quotes have been obtained for liability insurance from Equisure and Horsemen's United. Equisure is a more comprehensive policy and is about \$300 more. Includes coverage for club members.

Perez-Soto: MOTION to authorize Rena to obtain insurance from Equisure.

Burkhardt: Schooling Show update and presentation of proposed dates and locations. There was discussion of footing issues at Bosque Sports Complex vs. Bosque Farms Rodeo Arena. The Sept. show at Vista Sandia conflicts with the State Fair, and there is no water for horses at the facility. A show at Luna Rosa in mid-May will be added. The schedule will be put on the website.

Gredell: Membership report. Currently have 66 members for 2011. Hudson presented proposal for Farm Membership with different members through the year (i.e. working students). It was determined last year that such a membership was not possible. Cook asked about Life Membership, to parallel that of USDF. This may be discussed in the future.

Dezavalle: Discussion of the Seana Adamson Clinic. The club has received a Violet Hopkins Grant to help with expenses. The room for the seminar limits occupants to 50. There will be 8 rides. Susan will send out an e-mail blast inviting participation.

Dezavalle: All candidates for Board Officers were elected, and all By-Laws Amendments passed.

Dezavalle: Winners of the Volunteer Awards will be announced prior to the dinner so they can plan to be present. They will receive a \$25 gift certificate and an award certificate. Schooling Show Awards rules will be re-written for next year by Barbara Burkhardt. For the Combined Awards, more blankets are needed. Champions will also get subscription gift certificates for Dressage Today.

Dezavelle: The idea of a local handbook will be dropped for this year. 150 test booklets have been ordered from USDF and will be sent out to 2011 members.

Board positions for 2011:

Schooling Shows – Denai Meyer

Membership – Virginia Gredell

Newsletter – Linda Ettling

Education – Marybeth Perez-Soto

Recognized Shows – Donald Simpson

Website – Harold Baskin

Juniors/Young Riders – Sean Cunningham

Awards – Randi Phillips

Publicity – Randi Phillips

There was discussion of alternative meeting places. Location of meetings in 2011 will be determined by the new Board. Meetings will be on the second Tuesday of the month.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Rusty Cook, Secretary-elect