MINUTES NMDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS JANUARY 10, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 PM by John Collins, President.

Board members present: John Collins, Rusty Cook, Rena Haynes, Marybeth Perez Soto, Virginia Gredell, Donald Simpson, Barbara Burkhardt, Kathleen Martin, Randi Phillips, and Susan Dezavelle. Board members absent: Harold Baskin. Guests present: Kathy Mueller and Kelly Goatcher.

- **1. Minutes** of the December meeting were reviewed. MOTION by Susan, seconded by Rena, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.
- **2. Financial Report.** Rena reported that the club has \$21,777.22 in cash assets. She reviewed income and expenditures for the last two months, and said that income was down significantly in 2011 due to the cancellation of schooling shows, but there was still a small positive net income. Rena needs each Board member to tell her how many hours per month are spent on club business.
- **3. Membership.** Virginia currently has over 100 members, plus a few that came in recently. Donations to the scholarship fund are coming in with dues payments. She has sent out test booklets to all members.
- 4. Youth. Kathleen said that scholarship applications need to be sent to Randi, who chairs the selection committee. There are currently two applicants. There was discussion of volunteer hours and what activities count. MOTION by Susan, seconded by Barbara, to accept Beverly Klemme's application and award her a scholarship of \$500. The scholarship application and information on the website need to be reviewed and revised to tighten it up. Randi needs another member on the scholarship committee. Kathleen presented a proposal for a youth activity. A committee of Kathleen, Barbara, and maybe another member will contact 4-H and Pony Club to see if they will co-sponsor. They will also work on additions to the volunteer list and invite additional suggestions. The completed list will be put on the website.
- **5. Recognized Shows.** Donald said planning for the recognized shows is well under way. Judges for March 10-11 are Marlene Schneider and Arlene Rigdon.
- **6. Schooling Shows.** Marybeth has completed the schedule. There are 9 schooling shows sponsored by NMDA, plus Arabian and Pony Club shows. She has planned a clinic July 28-29 at the Sheriff's Posse grounds. Cost of the clinician from CA will be approx. \$2,000 plus food and lodging. MOTION by Marybeth, seconded by Barbara, to move forward with the clinic. Motion carried.

7. New Business.

- a. Awards Dinner. Susan has a draft of the program. To date there are 50 reservations and all but 7 have paid. Awards have been purchased and embroidered. The dinner is at 6:30 at Tanoan Country Club on Saturday, Jan. 14.
- b. Flying Changes. There was discussion of what to do with the newsletter. For now, e-mail blasts will be used to keep members up to date.
- c. Training for schooling show managers and scribes is set for Saturday, Feb. 18, 3:30 to 5:30 at the P.R.E. office, 115 Elm NE, behind Milton's restaurant. Barbara has a flyer ready to be distributed. There will be a review of the different jobs and a DVD of tests being ridden for scribe practice.
- **8. Old Business.** None was brought up. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Rusty Cook, Secretary