



NMDA Board of Director (BoD) Meeting Minutes
January 11, 2017
PRE Offices, 115 Elm St., ABQ
6:30 - 8 PM

All Members and interested public welcome!

Mtg started @ 6:25 PM with Board Members Susan Reed, Karen Page, Winnie Fitch, & Cindy Kavan-Winfield; Gina McKay (arrived ~6:35) and Teresa Heine (arrived ~6:40 PM),
Other meeting attendee(s): Dawn Foster, John Collin, Kathleen Martin & Sophia Thompson

Blue requires action

Welcome by new President Susan Reed

OFFICERS' REPORTS:

1. **December 2016 Mtg Minutes acceptance:** *Motion (Susan): Accept the 1st draft of the Dec 2016 BoD mtg minutes prepared by BBurkhardt (2016 NMDA Secretary) with a number of edits and clarifications discussed during this meeting; second (Cindy); vote 4 for, 0 against. [Finalize December 2016 Board meeting minutes and provide to Harold for web posting \(Dawn\).](#)*
2. **Treasurer's Report** (Karen) - Dec/YE Report acceptance: *Motion (Winnie): Accept the 2016 YE financial statement sent to the BoD on 1/2/17; second (Cindy); vote 4 for, 0 against. 2016 YE Financial Report attached.*

COMMITTEE/LIAISON REPORTS:

1. **Membership** (Winnie) - 53 members, with 1 new from Cindy at mtg. Susan asked how many Jrs? Ans. maybe 3 or 4. Susan and others will try and encourage more Jrs to join. Winnie mentioned that she would be sending membership info early before the next meeting as she will be out of town.
2. **Youth** (Gina) - (Discussion prior to Gina's arrival) Susan encourages the undertaking of the de-spooking clinic at the Sheriff Posse grounds and the braiding clinic. [FYI...Sheriff's prefer a minimum of 20 horses]. Both clinics would be open to Jrs and adult with a preference for Jrs. Others' thoughts? Cindy reminded the BoD that in 2016 we had a Youth Committee of ~ 5 young gals that developed a list of items/thoughts about possible youth activities. Susan also mentioned that youth could put on a schooling show (w/ adult supervision) and take the profit to fund a group youth activity of their choice.

(Further discussion w/ Gina input) Looking to have Meet & Greet early in season; [Gina will push Sheriff's contact for scheduling de-spooking clinic](#); John mentioned that Cherry Tree Farm doesn't need a lot of notice for scheduling the braiding clinic. D. Jayne Stewart (828.450.2037) is coming back to the area and is another possible youth clinician. See attached 2017 draft schedule for specific dates for various clinics (subject to change).

3. **Schooling Shows** (Teresa) - NMDA contracts sent out to Erlene/Roy El, Lori Bryan, and Los Alamos folks; [Teresa to attend BFRA BoD mtg on Jan 18 but has already suggested preferred show dates](#); has received signed contract (and membership) from Sandy at Caballos. Teresa has had numerous discussions with Paso del Norte Dressage Association (PDNDS) about a joint schooling show - specifically, PDNDS has Membership interest in bringing an "S" western dressage judge (Masek?, AZ) for a 1-day show on Mar 26, if NMDA is willing to co-sponsor. PDNDS estimates the show costs at between \$650 - 800 split between the 2 GMOs. *Motion (Cindy): Split joint show expenses with Paso del Norte GMO up to \$400; second (Winnie); vote 6 for, 0 against. [Teresa will go back to PDNDS GMO and inform them of NMDA BoD decision, and follow-up with other potential venues.](#)* See attached 2017 draft schedule for specific dates for schooling shows (subject to change).

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **2016 Banquet (Jan 21) preparations** (John) - venue paid, ribbons and saddle pads (award prizes) purchased and pads are currently being embroidered, 1st level award being inscribed - all for an estimated total cost of about \$525 of

the 2016 BoD budgeted amount of \$600. Cindy said about 21 people are currently signed up. Cindy suggested changing the Banquet from a catered dinner to a gathering starting later (7 or 7:30 PM) than the typical dinner hour, and instead offering coffee and desserts provided by the BoD Members since both awards being given and attendance were down. This suggested change would also save the catering cost (estimated ~\$1000). This coffee/ desserts gathering would be at no cost to the attendees. *Motion (Cindy): Change the Banquet to a "coffee/dessert" format offered free to attendees, and authorize John to spend up to \$175 further on raffle goods, paper goods and coffee; second (Karen); vote 4 for, 0 against. Cindy will return monies already collected, put a notice on the NMDA website and inform current attendees of the format change. John to contact the caterer (City Treats) and inform of the format change. John also will purchase additional raffle items and procure supplies (paper goods necessary for tables and food, coffee etc.).*

2. Committee Chair/Liaison Appointments (Susan) - needs help identifying remaining:

Committee Chairs

- Education/Clinics - possibly Kathleen Martin??
- Awards - ??

Board Advisors/Liaisons

- Volunteer - ??
- Schooling Shows - Teresa
- Webmaster - Harold Baskin
- Western Dressage - Nance McManus?
- Publicity - ??
- Welcoming/Hospitality - ??

Cindy also mentioned that since we've received our first Mini-Grant application, someone will need to "manage" this NMDA offering as well. *Cindy to contact Barbara Burkhardt to see if she might be interested and willing to undertake.*

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Guest presentation (Kathleen Martin) - discussion about bringing Beth Baumert to ABQ and Santa Fe in early May for clinic/symposium, looking for additional funding revenue. May dates set and venues identified by Friday. Cost/ride is ~\$195, subsidized ride cost is \$150 for GMO Members (both NMDA and Santa Fe Dressage Assoc.) and \$175 for Non-members. If NMDA willing to sponsor, Kathleen could apply for Violet Hopkins grant through The Dressage Foundation (TDF). Kathleen did, however, mention that the Baumert clinic would proceed w/ or w/o NMDA involvement. Cindy suggested that the more expensive proposed clinic submit for TDF (between Beth Baumert and Bill McMullin - Baumert clinic will be more expensive), and if that clinic doesn't get it, then the other can try [TDF limits grants to 1/GMO]. Cindy also suggested that NMDA consider funding both to some TBD extent. There appeared to be general agreement with these suggestions. The discussion concluded with the following motion based on the timing of the ABQ Baumert clinic (May 5/6) and anticipated clinic costs: *Motion (Winnie): NMDA is willing to support the ABQ Beth Baumert May clinic/symposium both financially (amount TBD) and assisting in procuring grant monies through the NMDA GMO; second (Cindy); vote 6 for, 0 against.*
2. Bill McMullin clinic (Dawn Foster) - *will provide financial assessment of proposed October clinic at next meeting, and finalize clinic dates with Bill, either October 21/22 or 28/29.* Depending on Bill's availability, Cherry Tree Farm schooling show date may have to changed.
3. Insurance for Assoc. activities - *Karen will take updated NMDA schooling show and clinic information from this meeting (attached), and procure insurance quote(s) for venue insurance.*
4. CD determination - TABLED
5. Combined recognized show with Arabian Horse Association of NM (AHANM) - TABLED
6. Membership list w/ contact information? - TABLED

MEETING ADJOURNED @ 8:06 PM

Respectfully submitted by Dawn Foster, NMDA Member

Attachments:

- 2016 Board-Approved Year-End Financial Report
- Updated 2017 draft NMDA Activity Schedule