NMDA March 9th Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 6:00

In attendance were John Collins-VP, Marybeth St Cyr-President, Cindy-Education Chair, Diana Corbin- Secretary, Susan Reed- Youth, Sarah Turner-Membership, Amy Glenn, Keely Southwick

Old Business:

John – We have all the prizes to be handed out at the first schooling show in April

Unfortunately the saddle pads were embroidered horribly and these have to be redone.

Sarah informed us we now have 48 members

Maribeth has secured Barbara Burkhart as the judge for the April show.

Also filling in for the position of treasurer she has:

Filed taxes, set up insurance, paid for PO box, getting contract for Keely and the contracts for the April show should be done by Friday

Stanley stadium is signed for show in June

Cindy- We still do not have the grant money for the Pilates Clinic so unfortunately this might not happen.

Minutes were approved by Cindy and 2nd by Susan

New Business:

Maribeth nominated Keely Southwick to be our new treasurer. The position lasts until Dec. 2023. Diana 2^{nd} . And board approved

Amy Glenn was nominated as the new Member-At-Large position. Maribeth made the motion and John 2nd. Board approved.

(Thanks ladies so glad you are part of the team!)

Cindy would like to poll the NMDA members to get a feeling of what everyone would like to see for clinics this year. Last poll was done in 2016. Amy offered to help and they are looking into using Google forms.

As a new committee, John made the motion to approve this and Maribeth 2^{nd} . Board approved.

Diana has been working on getting a T-shirt/merchandise design to sell on Redbubble. We have secured a graphic art design and are in the process of getting the tab on our website and possibly Facebook.

Maribeth made a motion to use \$300 out of our funds to buy hats, mugs, stickers etc. to have at shows to sell and have members see. Cindy 2^{nd} . Board approved.

Maribeth made a proposal to change the end of year awards from 3 shows/3judges to 3 shows/2 judges. This will be more uniform with USDF and we sometimes reuses judges and makes it easier for competitors. Maribeth moved, Amy 2nd. Board approved.

Maribeth asked if anyone had a copy of the 'Conflict of Interest' document. Cindy believes she does and will get this sent out to everyone and we need to sign and get it turned into her ASAP.

As a board we still need people to fill the positions of: Schooling Show Coordinator and WD Liason.

Discussed the Schooling Show Coordinator position be changed to a voting member on the board. This will have to be changed in the bi-laws and not needed at this point in time, but can be reviewed at a later date if needed.

Discussed having a little r judge especially for the Stanley show for the WD riders who compete for World. Discussion brought up that this is a good thing to have for Classical Dressage riders too. We believe the cost for this judge will be \$600. We hope to attract members from Santa Fe with this too.

Susan brought up the question of what Mane Connections was for. Maribeth described the process of how it will help the Show Manager- by competitors being able to fill in information online and help with the USDF spreadsheet. \$5 was added to the office fee for each entry.

The General Meeting and picnic was added hopefully, July 23rd or 24th. John will check Cherry Tree's schedule and get back to us on this.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:05. Our next meeting will be April 13, at 6:00.