## NMDA Minutes March 13, 2024

## Call to Order:

Maribeth St Cyr-President, John Collins-Vice President, Amy Glenn-Member-at-Large, Cindy Kavan-Winfield-Education Chair, Sarah Turner-Membership, Laura Pulliam-Treasurer, Diana Corbin-Secretary

John Collins shared that he is open to any suggestions for next years Awards Banquet. If anyone has an idea, please share with him and he will look into it.

Maribeth shared that Mariah from the Arab Club would like us to do our Award Banquets together. This is probably something we would have to ask the members.

Other discussion pursued about this and pros and cons of joining with another club. There would be more of a cost for members to do this. Also we would lose the intimacy of our club.

Other discussion was about making our banquet better by having greeters, putting tables together for more community, and doing an activity that would help us get to know each other better.

Sarah shared that there are now 46 new members. Three members renewed, and one was a new member. She will get with USDF in the next few days to get these members signed up.

She will be getting a card from Maribeth to be able to pay for new members online. This information will then be CC'd to Laura and they can keep up with these transactions through email.

No treasurer's report. This will be emailed to Diana and copied to the rest of the board. This is ok with everybody.

Cindy shared there are 2 spots available for the Michelle Combs clinic. Michelle is a vegetarian. It was decided to have a sandwich platter for the show on Saturday. There will be Dion's pizza and salad on Sunday for the clinic.

We approved the minutes from February and also the minutes for the special session. Sarah made a motion to approve, Amy  $2^{nd}$  it. February minutes motion to approve by Cindy,  $2^{nd}$  by John.

Diana needs to send these minutes to Harold.

Sarah shared that she has been looking into grants and scholarships to the club members. This is in regards to the Maribeth Perez-Soto grant. Discussion pursued

that she would like to bring in a big name clinician. Also ideas of classroom clinics/lectures being presented at Wilderwood and/or zoom were discussed. Maribeth proposed that for a big name clinician, we come up with 5 viable names and send these out to the membership.

Gunter Seidel, Adrienne Lyle, Lauren Sprieser, Pam Goodrich, Amelia Newcomb, Charlotte Bredahl, Laura Graves, Anna Buffini, Amy Nichols.

Maribeth and Cindy will look into this month and see who would come.

We decided to table our own grant right now and go ahead with the Leslie Carpenter grant.

Maribeth suggested we send a survey to our members to see if we do offer a grant to our members what they would like to see. She will use Google Form for this, the big clinician, and the Awards Banquet and send it to the members.

Meeting Adjourned- John made a motion, Diana 2nd it.