MINUTES NMDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS September 11, 2012

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

Board members present were John Collins, Rena Haynes, Barbara Burkhardt, Virginia Gredell, Susan Dezavelle, and Rusty Cook. Board members absent were Donald Simpson, Kathleen Martin, Marybeth Perez Soto, and Harold Baskin.

- 1. **Minutes.** In addition to a few minor corrections in wording, Rena added that the club insurance renews on January 19. The banquet will be January 12, so it will be covered on this year's insurance. MOTION by Barbara, seconded by Rena, to approve the minutes as corrected. Motion carried.
- 2. **Financial Report.** Rena distributed copies of the financial report. For the year to date, NMDA has a net profit of \$1,458.66, including \$1,060 income from the Santa Fe Equestrian Center schooling show. Gross income for September also included \$90 in membership dues, and \$.71 in interest on our checking account. Expenses included \$107.70 to purchase ribbons, \$47.80 in additional costs for the Roy-el show, and \$637.56 in expenses for the September show at the Santa Fe Equestrian Center. The Oct. 14 schooling show in Bosque Farms is in the planning stages. John gave the latest report on VS from the NM Livestock Board. All current cases are in the northern part of the state. As of Aug. 23 all horses attending a public event need a health certificate issued within 5 days. MOTION by Susan, seconded by Randi, to accept the financial report as presented. Motion carried.
- 3. **Membership.** Virginia reported that two memberships have been received, one for 2012 and one for 2013, both from Suzanne Bachmann. Barbara sent membership reminders to several trainers a couple of months ago and some of them have joined.
- 4. **Youth.** Kathleen was absent.
- 5. **Schooling Shows.** Marybeth was absent due to illmess. We all wished her a speedy recovery. Barbara will have scores posted soon for the last two shows. The Santa Fe show scores and photos are on the website. The Standing Rules specify conditions for cancelling schooling shows. Barbara proposes the guidelines be changed to include anticipated costs of the show and state that a show may be cancelled by the show manager. For year-end Awards, Barbara would like to donate a trophy for Trainer of the Year to go to a trainer who shows two or more horses, owned by someone other than themselves, that are in the year-end awards standings. She also commented that it is not a good idea to extend the closing date of shows.
- 6. **Recognized Shows.** Donald was absent.
- 7. **New Business.** There was discussion of the venue for the General membership meeting on Nov. 17. It was decided to hold the meeting at Veterans Memorial Park. Entertainment will probably be videos from the Olympics.

Nominating Committee. There needs to be one Board member and two non-Board members. John will send out an e-blast asking for volunteers.

St. Jude has been asking us to have an event to generate funds for them. John proposes to have a donation box at the November show.

Awards. Randi has 14 garment bags for year-end awards.

Western Dressage. Rusty reported on her experience with Western Dressage and Cowboy

Dressage at a Morgan show she officiated at in California. It is easy to integrate Western Dressage in a show because the arena is the same. For Cowboy Dressage, the arena is the size of the short arena (20×40 meters) but the letters are different and the distances between them are different.

NMDA Logo. John has come up with a new horse for the logo that is more satisfactory than any other so far. He will proceed with finalizing the logo design.

USDF Convention. As previously reported, Rusty is a Region 5 PM Delegate. The NMDA GM Delegate is John, who has appointed Rusty to carry the proxy for the club.

Region 5 announcements. John announced that there will be a TD and Show Manager clinic conducted in Colorado in January, put on by RMDS.

8. **Motion to adjourn**. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Rusty Cook, Secretary