



## Minutes of DVCTA Board of Directors Meeting

May 14, 2024

Zoom Only

Alix James, Recording Secretary

The May Board Meeting was held on Zoom. The meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM by President Darcy Miller.

### **Attendance at Meeting:**

#### **Officers**

Darcy Miller  
Mike Broomall  
Lisa Leana  
Alix James

Penny Knotts  
Becky Lynch  
Joanne Mohr  
Carol Lippa  
Karen Rubin  
Sharon Sexton  
Justine Watson

#### **Directors**

Kelly Barry  
Linda Drezja  
Megan Gioffre  
Megan M Huf

#### **Members**

Stephanie Gieter

A quorum of 3 officers and 50% of the directors (6 or more) being present, the Board was authorized to conduct business.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Treasurer (Lisa Leana):** Santander Checking Balance: \$97,205.65, PayPal Balance: \$8,033.43, Total: \$115,239.08.

**Recognized show, Summer Opener (Megan Mendenhall, Carol Lippa):** Have enough entries to be positive. Ribbons ordered - tight delivery. Megan H. will help Doreen set up Friday night. Alix & Carol will help.

**Membership (Sharon Sexton):** 208 have joined for 2024 including 20 juniors. Ahead of last year. Reminder email brought in 35 members. Lots of new members - probably relating to L program.

**Quadrille (Anne Miller):** It's on! Forming a team to do a Tina Turner demo ride at DAD Saturday night. Aiming for a 12 horse team. Testing new horse/rider combos. Another test day May 19 to evaluate new combos. Organizing dinner June 5th at Anne's house.

**Harvest Fest (Penny Knotts, Darcy Miller):** No report. No date set yet - L program conflicting.

**Eventing (Eliza Herman, Karen Rubin):** No report.

**Year End Awards (Joanne Mohr, Justine Watson):** Discussed and confirmed that people can join late in the year and pay for their volunteer hours and be eligible for awards. This led to a discussion of the provision that members joining after Aug. 31 get two years of membership which seemed contrary. Mike moved and Alix seconded that this provision be changed to all memberships are for current year no matter when joined. Mike and Alix to review Bylaws to determine if formal revision is necessary. Confirmed that DVCTA Awards qualification year runs concurrently with membership year and volunteer hour year - all are Dec. 1 to Nov. 30th.

**Note: After the meeting, Alix reviewed Bylaws and Website and it does NOT state that joining this year gets you next year. Alix has some memory that we might have already changed this rule and that's why it's not up on the website that way. No need to make any changes.**

**Sanctioned Schooling Shows (Lisa Leana, Alix James):** Missing one payment - Lisa following up.

**Volunteers (Meg Gioffre):** QR code was up at the Bally Vae show and people used it. Lots of people putting in their hours so Meg needs to catch up but way better than all at the end of the year. Meg still has some stuff left over from volunteer awards – will be stored at Bally Vae and may be used for L program give-aways. Discussion about people needing to be a member WHEN volunteer hours are earned. Meg given access to member list to check if things seem odd. Reminder that people can buy their volunteer hours for \$20 an hour if they join late and don't have time or opportunity to earn.

**Scholarships (Anecia Delduco, Karen Walsh, Anne Miller):** No report.

**Adult Teams (Becky Lynch, Anecia Delduco, Karen Walsh):** Intent form is up on the website. Becky will ask Sarah for email blast and Facebook advertising.

**Education (Karen Rubin, Megan Huf):** Alix's functional fitness trainer could do a presentation before July meeting. Something along the lines of movement screening for riders or areas almost all riders need to work on. June 11 is not filled. August 13 meeting is at Stolzhus Feed and there will be a presentation. Sept., Oct. & Nov. do Taste of the L program - do three one-hour sessions.

**L program:** Darcy reported. Application approved and up on the website. Six applicants for participants and three for auditors. Aiming for 20 participants and 50 auditors. Clearly getting new members related to participation. **Question from Linda D. about interaction between volunteering and auditing - possible to do both? Tabled for June.**

**Junior Teams (Megan Kuon):** No Jr. Team this year. Megan will email the Jr. members and see if they are interested in a clinic or activity - too late to do Jr. Team competition.

**Pub at Dressage at Devon (Mike Broomall):** Beer vendor set. Need contract. Mike following up with Penny.

**Annual Dinner (Lisa Leana):** No report. Needs a co-chair.

**Annual Auction (Linda Drejza, Kelly Barry, Joanne Mohr, Rita Lowry):** No report.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Need to form a committee to nominate DVCTA Distinguished Service Award to be given at YE banquet. May be equivalent to what we've been calling Volunteer of the Year.**

**Need to also look at USDF GMO awards we may want to nominate for and deadlines.**

**Alix will look at how this all fits together.**

**Agenda items continued to June meeting.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

## **Remaining 2024 Board Meeting Dates**

**All at Stroud Water Research Center at 7:30. Most will be preceded by open member presentation.**

Jun. 11, 2024

Jul. 9, 2024

Aug. 13, 2024

Sep. 10, 2024

Oct. 8, 2024

Nov. 12, 2024

Dec. 10, 2024