

The August Board Meeting was held at Stroud Water Research Center and on Zoom. The meeting was preceded by a talk on equine nutrition from the team at Stolzfus Feed accompanied by pizza. The meeting was called to order at 7:56 PM by President Darcy Miller.

Attendance at Meeting:

OfficersMegan GioffreDarcy MillerMegan M HufMike BroomallPenny KnottsLisa LeanaBecky LynchAlix JamesJoanne MohrCarol Lippa

<u>Directors</u> Karen Rubin (excused)

Kelly Barry Sharon Sexton
Linda Drezja Justine Watson

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

Minutes from the August and October meeting will be circulated at the November meeting for approval.

Committee Reports:

Treasurer (Lisa Leana): Bank Balance: \$101,940.90, PayPal Balance \$15,595.40 Total: \$117,536.30. This includes 19 payments and some auditor payments for the L program session 1.

Membership (Sharon Sexton): 238 have joined for 2024 including 20 juniors.

Quadrille (Anne Miller): Tina Turner demo ride at Devon went very well and was very popular with the crowd. Great job by Anne and the team.

Harvest Fest (Penny Knotts, Darcy Miller): Dressage Harvest Fest 2024 officially canceled due to conflicts with L Program. Eventing Harvest Fest hosted jointly with St. Augustine Pony Club is still happening.

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

Year End Awards (Joanne Mohr, Justine Watson): Discussion of what prizes were planned. Right now looking at embroidered stall bags for Champions. Trying to stay inside of \$5000 budget. Discussed options for embroidery.

Sanctioned Schooling Shows (Lisa Leana, Alix James): No discussion. Need to review over the winter to see if any changes are needed.

Volunteers (Meg Gioffre): Volunteer hours posted on the website and up to date.

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

Adult Teams (Becky Lynch, Anecia Delduco, Karen Walsh, Linda Drejza): 29 people have indicated an interest and paid \$25. Expect to take 23 to 26 people - about double last year's 13 people. We had extensive discussion around budget for the team. Budget last year was \$3000 or \$230/rider. In April we authorized \$4,171 (Auction proceeds plus \$2000). The \$25/head is approximately \$700. The planned Fix-A-Test should raise \$350. So, approximate budget is \$5,200. Also agreed that 2025 silent auction can be allocated to adult teams so long as adult team participants also actively get auction items and help with running the auction. This should be communicated at the team event.

Education (Karen Rubin, Megan Huf): No report.

L program: 19 participants signed up and 20 auditors. Can take a LOT more auditors. Getting a good set of demo riders. Need to continue to promote auditing on social media. Need chairs at the indoor - likely can be supplied by Stroud.

Junior Teams (Megan Kuon): No Jr. Team this year. Probably not next year either.

Pub at Dressage at Devon (Mike Broomall, Penny Knots): Pub went well. Attendance was down at the masterclass and there was quite a bit of rain. Troubles End Brewery beers were popular. Revenue was probably down a little.

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

Annual Auction (Linda Drejza, Kelly Barry, Joanne Mohr, Rita Lowry): No report. Linda is enthusiastic about adult team support.

NEW BUSINESS

DVCTA needs a representative for the USDF Convention in December as Darcy is not able to attend. This individual would need to attend the meeting in Houston TX. A partial travel stipend would be provided from DVCTA. Those interested should contact Darcy at President@dvcta.org or Mike at mbroomall@stroudcenter.org. For details about the conference: https://www.usdf.org/convention/

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 PM.

Remaining 2024 Board Meeting Dates

All at Stroud Water Research Center at 7:30. Most will be preceded by open member presentation beginning at 7:00.

Nov. 12, 2024 Dec. 10, 2024

Zoom link for virtual attendees - Valid for all meetings:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZEqdu-hqT4vG9HIpN2ckisBxgM9Ka7ImBek/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGtqTosE9OQtRiCRpwMB4j4M PwtiVYjfp1tQ LUSNYaxDULuVva5I-R Hd