



## Minutes of DVCTA Board of Directors Meeting

Nov. 12, 2024

Stroud Water Research Center & Zoom

Alix James, Recording Secretary

The November Board Meeting was held at Stroud Water Research Center and on Zoom. The meeting was preceded by a meeting of the L-Program Committee. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 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

#### **Member Guests:**

Stephanie Geiter  
Doreen Garland

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):** Bank Balance: \$107,114.86, PayPal Balance \$7,634.47 Total: \$114,749.33.

**Membership (Sharon Sexton):** 242 have joined for 2024 including 20 juniors. 2025 11 members.

**Quadrille (Anne Miller):** We nominated Anne for USDF Volunteer of the Year but she didn't get it. They're giving her some sort of commendation.

**Harvest Fest (Penny Knotts, Darcy Miller):** Eventing Harvest Fest hosted jointly with St. Augustine Pony Club happened and 3 or 4 people from DVCTA participated. St. Augustine would like to make a long-term commitment to partner with DVCTA to hold the joint eventing championships each year and promote it more.

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

**Year End Awards (Joanne Mohr, Justine Watson):** Found stall bags for a reasonable price - getting quotes for embroidery. Trying to stay inside of \$5,000 budget and have good ribbons for reserve champion. Justine is pretty caught up with processing. All due November 30th.

**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):** 20 riders attended along with a dozen support people. It was a great event. Everyone stabled together and helped each other. Many people won their classes and/or earned their medals. Justine Watson earned her Silver Medal and Linda Drejza earned her bronze. The catered Mexican group dinner Saturday night was very fun. Anne Miller ran a get-to-know-you exercise that was humorous and Karen, Anecia and Anne gave everyone a special award and a gift bag. There were also team vests that everyone wore all weekend because it was chilly! Carol reports that the show organizers appreciated DVCTA's big participation and might be open to changing the team competition format to reduce the volunteer commitment.

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

**L program:** 24 participants, 39 auditors, 5 volunteers. Live demos at Stables at Fox Crossing and classes at New Bolton. Good feedback from people verbally. Participants are looking forward to the B session. The classroom could be better and the committee is trying to get a better room so the participants have more room to take notes. Instructor Deb Rodriguez did a great job and was well liked. Next one is January 11 & 12 at the same locations. Need demo riders.

**Junior Teams (Megan Kuon):** No Jr. Team this year. Have not gotten interest from juniors at SNF or other farms right now.

**Pub at Dressage at Devon (Mike Broomall, Penny Knots):** Still have not received the check.

**Annual Dinner (Lisa Leana):** February 8th is the awards dinner. Last year was \$5200 total and charged \$50 and had 100 attendees. Considering \$55/head.

**Annual Auction (Linda Drejza, Kelly Barry, Joanne Mohr, Rita Lowry):** Linda knows it is time to start thinking about awards. Need to get Adult Team participants to help!

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

DVCTA representative for the USDF Convention <https://www.usdf.org/convention/> in December will be Carol Lippa. An \$800 travel stipend would be provided from DVCTA. Michael attends the regional meeting and will report back if there are any big issues we need to discuss for voting. DVCTA also provides a basket - budget of \$125.

2025 Board - Becky Lynch is resigning from the Board. Linda Drejza might.

Meeting adjourned at 8:33 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.**  
Dec. 10, 2024

**Zoom link for virtual attendees - Valid for all meetings:**

[https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZEgdu-hqT4vG9HlpN2ckisBxgM9Ka7ImBek/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGtqTosE9OQtRiCRpwMB4j4M\\_PwtiVYjfp1tQ\\_LUSNYaxDULuVva5l-R\\_Hd](https://us02web.zoom.us/join/https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZEgdu-hqT4vG9HlpN2ckisBxgM9Ka7ImBek/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGtqTosE9OQtRiCRpwMB4j4M_PwtiVYjfp1tQ_LUSNYaxDULuVva5l-R_Hd)