

MINUTES
NMDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FEBRUARY 13, 2012

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

Board Members Present: John Collins, Susan Dezavelle, Rena Haynes, Marybeth Perez Soto, Kathleen Martin, Harold Baskin, Barbara Burkhardt. Guest present: Kathy Mueller.

1. **Minutes.** MOTION by Barbara, seconded by Rena, to approve the minutes of the January meeting as distributed. Motion carried.
2. **Financial Report.** Rena reported that the club has \$18,530.68 in cash assets. Income for the month included \$2,765 in membership dues, \$765 for awards banquet registrations, \$70 in donations to the scholarship fund, and \$1.31 in interest. We also had \$10.69 in interest in our CD. Expenses were \$720 for USDF group membership dues (35 primary and 2 supporting), \$1,509.24 for the awards banquet, \$1,292.56 for yearend awards, and \$1,554.83 for event liability insurance. Expenses posted for Expo New Mexico show total \$1,072.15. Receipts for this show have not been posted. MOTION by Susan, seconded by Randi, to accept the financial report as given. Motion carried.
3. **Membership.** Virginia was absent. We have 106 members to date and Randi has one more to be added.
4. **Youth.** Kathleen presented the new handout for the April 14 New To Dressage event to be held at Vista Sandia. Some tables have been spoken for, and there is room for some more. Food will be available from vendor trucks. Kathleen has color flyers available.
5. **Schooling Shows.** Marybeth reported that there were 50 rides at the schooling show. Income was \$2,114, expenses \$1114.25, giving a profit of \$999.75. She reported that the footing held up well. She has redone the entry form and it looks better. There will be a schooling show April 15 at Vista Sandia in conjunction with the New to Dressage event, and one April 21 in Los Alamos. The October show will be rescheduled so it does not conflict with the Chili Roast show being put on by the Arabian club. Marybeth will order more ribbons before the next show. There is a May 13 date available, which would conflict with the Arabian Zia Classic, and a May 19 or 20 date which would conflict with the Amigos show in El Paso, but not with any NMDA show. These will be kept in mind when scheduling future schooling shows.
6. **Education.** Barbara has 25 preregistered for the manager/scribe clinic.
7. **Awards.** Barbara wanted to clarify that awards go to the horse owner, not the professional rider.
8. **Recognized Shows.** Donald reported that the NM Championship show in the fall will have two rides (1 each day) and the two scores will be averaged to determine the winner. For the March show, the closing date is March 1.
9. **New Business.**
 - a. Harold presented figures on four alternatives for processing information interactively online. For collecting money all of them charge a percentage for credit card transactions. The consensus of the Board was that a more sophisticated website is not justified at this time.

- b. John is seeking nominations for a liaison for the “What’s New” page on the website. There was discussion of the advantages of a printed newsletter.
 - c. Kathleen proposed fundraising by selling used books and DVDs at a table during schooling shows and other club events. Members were asked to bring items to the next meeting. She also proposed a raffle for a riding lesson, making a video of the April 14 New To Dressage event and offering CDs for sale, sale of horse cookies made by members, and having a donation jar at events.
 - d. A contest to design a new club logo was proposed.
10. **Old Business.** None was brought up.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM. The next meeting will be March 13, 6:30 PM at the 66 Diner.

Respectfully submitted,
Rusty Cook, Secretary