

MINUTES
NMDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS
JANUARY 11, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by John Collins, President.

Board Members Present: John Collins, Denai Meyer, Rusty Cook, Rena Haynes, Susan Dezavelle, Virginia Gredell, Linda Ettling, Donald Simpson, Sean Cunningham, Barbara Burkhardt, Marybeth Perez-Soto, Randi Phillips. Board member absent: Harold Baskin. Guests Present: Kathleen Martin, Pete Forrest, Acacia ?.

Cook: Clarification to December Minutes – it was determined last year that a farm membership with rotating multiple individuals throughout the year was not a possibility. MOTION to approve amended minutes passed.

Haynes: Year End Financial Report shows checking account balance of \$16,275.57; CD balance of \$5,272.36. Total cash assets are \$21,547.93. 2010 net income was \$2,017.01. Schooling shows generated net income of \$3,929.52. Rena will send copies of necessary forms to PRC with revised Articles of Incorporation.

Meyer: Schooling Shows update. All dates and venues are confirmed for 2011 except August. All judges have been hired. The calendar of shows includes 6 NMDA recognized shows (4 one-day back-to-back and 2 two-day stand-alone), 8 NMDA schooling shows, 2 AHANN schooling shows and 1 recognized show, a Fun Dressage Show sponsored by Juan Tomas Hounds, and a ride/re-ride clinic. We need at least 14 rides @\$40 each to break even on a ride/re-ride clinic.

Simpson: Recognized shows in March and May are back-to-back one-day shows. March judges are Marlene Schneider and Uli Schmidt. The October show will include State Championships and Young Horse classes. Region 5 Championships will be November 4-6 at Westworld in Scottsdale, AZ.

Gredell: Memberships for 2011 are coming in. There are just over 100 members so far. Test booklets were mailed Jan. 11 to all 2011 members. There are four Business memberships paid so far, and one request to be listed in the Trainer's Directory on the website.

Perez-Soto: Clinics and Education events scheduled so far include the Seana Adamson Seminar and a Clinic by Carol Lavelle. The Adamson Seminar has received a \$750 grant from the Dressage Foundation, with another \$250 to be received after reports are sent in. People are starting to register. The Carol Lavelle Clinic is being privately sponsored by Kathleen Martin and will be held April 16-17 at Cherry Tree Farm. Kari Bovee and Jim Porcher from AHANM are helping Kathleen, and Kaitlyn Henderson is doing a website. Ads will be in Hoofprints as well as the NMDA and AHANM Newsletters. MOTION by Perez-Soto, seconded by Haynes, to approve giving the NMDA mailing list to Kathleen; passed. There was discussion of changing to Standing Rules to specify that educational events can use the mailing list.

Cunningham: A scholarship proposal was submitted for discussion. The present proposal includes only a Jr/YR division, with room to expand to other divisions in the future. MOTION by Burkhardt, seconded by Meyer, to allow Sean to proceed with development of the program; passed.

Haynes: Insurance for NMDA was discussed again. Rena presented comparisons of Horsemen's United and Equisure. Although Equisure is more expensive, it covers more. MOTION by Collins, seconded by Dezavelle, to authorize Rena to obtain insurance.

Phillips: Awards Banquet reservations received total about 40. We need 60 to cover half of expense with the club covering the other half. There will be an Italian buffet, and pictures from WEB will be shows. High Point winners will get \$25 gift cards from Dan's and to Dressage Extensions. Barbara Burkhardt will continue to keep track of points for Awards and will propose modifications to the program. Awards requirements will be reviewed at the Feb. meeting

New Business

Discussion of advertising policy: Classified ads will be text only; display ads may include graphics and/or photos and will be paid.

Discussion of an NMDA Calendar for 2012 with photos and ads. Marybeth has done a calendar for Juan Tomas Hounds and said it doesn't make money. This project was tabled.

Meeting dates for 2011 will be the second Tuesday of each month.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Rusty Cook, Secretary