

MDA Board of Directors (BoD) Meeting Minutes for July 12, 2017

Foundation for the Pure Spanish Horse

115 Elm St NE, ABQ

All Members and interested public welcome!

The meeting of the Board of Directors started at 6:40 p.m. with members Susan Reed, Winnie Fitch, Teresa Heine, Cindy Kavan-Winfield, Dawn Foster, Kathleen Martin, and Gina McKay present. Member Jayne Stewart also present.

Welcome by Susan Reed, president.

Secretary's report: Teresa Heine questioned publishing all financials in each meeting's minutes. The consensus of the Board was to go forward with this.

Winnie Fitch moved that the secretary's minutes be accepted as written. Seconded by Cindy Kavan-Winfield.

Treasurer's report from Winnie Fitch: \$19081.69; a CD earned \$2.66. Kathleen donated, last month, \$139.65 which was the return of a prorated portion of the NMDA's financial contribution to the Beth Baumert clinics from their earnings. Flowers for Karen Page's husband's funeral cost \$40. Teresa Heine suggested that the practice of sending flowers from the treasury might be a problem in future; she will return to this issue if needed.

Membership report from Winnie Fitch: Two new members for current total of 77 members; no new junior members.

Schooling Shows report from Teresa Heine: The Espanola show is on for September 3, 2017, with receipt of Erlene Seybold Smythe's signed contract. Conferring with Elyse Gold for judge. Las Alamos Pony Club/NMDA collaborative show will not take place this year; will try again for 2018. Teresa is conferring with Karen Lencyk to judge the October show at Cherry Tree Farm.

Youth and Educational Activities report from Gina McKay: The De-spooking Clinic with the Albuquerque Mounted Police Unit is going forward on July 15 as planned. Kathleen will call Gina to get an update for the Board on needs for this clinic.

Western Dressage from Nance McManus: No report at this time

Status of the Bill McMullen clinic from Dawn Foster: All contracts are complete and advertising and outreach are ongoing. The clinics will include a seminar at which Bill will talk about his judging methods and his judging experience at Region V in September, '17. The group decided to hold the potluck with the seminar after Saturday's ride re-ride clinic at Jayne Stewart's home in Albuquerque.

Status of the freestyle clinic from Kathleen: Clinic is on with decision on using Hipico as venue still undefined. Kathleen will report back to the BoD on the decision.

End of the year banquet report from Teresa Heine working with Nance McManus: A non-tax certificate is needed so there will be no taxes on food at the Marriott. The evening will cost \$20/person with a \$50 set up fee; an AV screen can be rented from the Marriott for \$150. Nance will get contract for Winnie Fitch or Susan Reed to sign.

Single topic meeting for standing rules: This meeting will be held on Oct 4, 2017, at 1:30 pm. Susan Reed will check on venues. The meeting will be announced on NMDA website with "place to be determined." Members will be asked to send clarifications, questions, or changes to any board member.

A tack swap will occur at the Cherry Tree Farm October schooling show. Susan Reed will seek a volunteer to manage.

Donation of Passier Patrone dressage saddle.: Susan Reed will send pictures and promotional material to the NMDA website.

Proposed recognized show for 2018 in partnership with NMAHA: Jim Porcher will manage this show. NMDA will provide a dressage coordinator. Teresa will look into this person's responsibilities. The show will be set up to include Western Dressage. Proposed date for show is Sunday, May 13, 2018.

Mini-grant request from Dawn Foster: As Dawn runs the mini-grant committee, she asked to whom she should apply for a \$75 grant. She will provide an application at next meeting. Susan Reed moved to give grant to Dawn when she provides paperwork. Winnie Fitch seconded. Carried.

New meeting venue: The Pure Spanish Horse building in which the BoD currently **meets** is for sale. The NMAHA also meets here. NMDA will search for a new venue and share information with the NMAHA.

Future: a two-day clinic with Hillary Clayton and Bill McMullen is scheduled for Sept 29-30, 2018, at Pinon Farm in Santa Fe. The theme is collection. Wendy Wilkins and Dawn Foster are working together on this.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.