

**MINUTES**  
**NMDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**November 13, 2012**

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

Board members present were John Collins, Barbara Burkhardt, Randi Phillips, Virginia Gredell, Donald Simpson. Board Members absent were: Rusty Cook, Susan Dezavelle, Marybeth Perez Soto, Rena Haynes, Harold Baskin.

1. **Minutes.** The minutes of October 9<sup>th</sup> were accepted. Motion by Randi, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John.
2. **Financial Report.** As Rena was absent John read the Financial Report (see attached) As of November 8, 2012, there is a profit for the year of \$514.22. Virginia motion to accept the financial report, John 2<sup>nd</sup>.
3. **Membership.** NMDA has 8 members for 2013 so far. Virginia will send in the rooster Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>. She will try to send a confirmation letter to all re-newals and new members as she receives them. All 2013 members will get a Test Book. Gloria Knight is an NMDA member as of July 7, 2012. Her show scores count from that date.
4. **Youth/Scholarship.** There is a person thinking of applying for the A/A scholarship. This person volunteered this year (2012) even though she was not a member. She will join in 2013 and may apply for the scholarship. Applicants must be members for their volunteer hours to count towards a scholarship.
5. **Schooling Shows.** There were 9 NMDA Schooling Shows this year. All had low entries except the February show at Expo. It is believed the main reason for low entries is the V.S. outbreak which required every horse to have a health certificate. A secondary problem may be too many shows. With the recognized shows and the AHA shows exhibitors may have been overwhelmed and choose one or two shows a month instead of going to every available show. John suggested we might have fewer shows next year and go for higher entry numbers. Overhead (mainly judge and venue costs) are the same whether there are 30 or 60 rides.
6. **Recognized Shows.** Donald reported that the October show results are on [www.USDF.org](http://www.USDF.org). He will publish the 2013 dates soon.
7. **New Business.** The General Mambership Meeting is November 17<sup>th</sup>, at the New Mexico Veteran's Memorial Bldg., 1100 Louisiana Blvd. John and DJ will bring food from Cosco. Barbara will bring a VHS about Anky van Grunsvan and a DVD of tests. Randi will bring a DVD of the new 2011 tests. About 10 members are expected to come.
8. **Nominations.** John is the head of the committee, Cindy Kavan is the other member of the committee. Ballots need to be mailed. Susan D. may bring the ballots and envelopes to be stuffed to the Gen. Meeting.
9. **Discussion.** Donald brought up that the club should do more for education. Various clinicians were discussed. People seem to want big names but the cost is often prohibitive.
10. **The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm.**
11. **Next Meeting December 11, 2012.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara Burkhardt