

SDMS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
January 11, 2015
Salado, Texas

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 11:35 a.m. by President Larry Wolfe.

Roll Call Results: 10 Board members present; Lynda Cornell and Mary Kate O'Connor absent.

Letter of Resignation from Mary Kate O'Connor accepted.

MINUTES

No action taken as already approved via email.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Board of Director Vacancy/Vacancies
Emily Lambeth and Kathryn Kelly were nominated from the floor.
Motion to accept – Greg Schlosser, 2nd Debbie Kelly. Motion approved.
2. Discussion/Approval 2015 Budget
Budget Workshop to be scheduled at a later date.
 - a. Report on Grant possibilities/progress
Larry updated Board regarding grant funds. Board discussed possibility of Youth Programs, Continuing Education, Publicity, Summer Camps, Outreach, and Clinics.
 - b. Scholarship Program and possible expansion
Discussed expanding Scholarship Program to include adult education and trade programs.
 - c. Obstacle inventory and condition
Discussed upgrading obstacles.
3. Approval of Committee Recommendations
Committee appointments still in progress.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Clarification/Adjustment to Year End Award Rules and Calculation
After lengthy discussion, motion made by Kathy Teel, 2nd Greg Schlosser to make the following adjustments:
 - a) Dues must be paid prior to a show in order for those points and show participation to count. Participation is defined as entering and showing in 75% of the shows in judged performance or halter classes depending on the division. Example: For a performance award you must enter and show in at least one performance class at 75% of the shows. For a halter award you must enter and show in a halter class in at least 75% of the shows.

- b) Tie breakers to be used for Year End Awards as follows:
 - 1. Number of Shows entered
 - 2. Number of First Places
 - 3. Number of Classes Placed In
 - 4. Most Points Earned at the Texas Shoot-Out
- c) Champion and Reserve Year-End Awards unless otherwise listed
 - 1. Halter – Normal Point System will be used. Champion only awarded for Miniature Jack, Miniature Jennet, Miniature Gelding, Miniature Mule; Champion & Reserve Champion awarded for Mule and Donkey over 36”.
 - 2. Champion only large animal driving.
 - 3. Champion only English.

2. Newsletter & Member communication plan for 2015

Discussed creating SDMS Facebook page, publishing a traditional newsletter, and designing/updating SDMS brochure. Goal is to have a printed and mailed newsletter in April to include TSO Show Bill.

3. Spring Event Fun/Working Week-end

Discussed having a Board Meeting at Parrie Haynes Equestrian Center near Killeen, TX. at the end of March. This could be a week-end event, to include Saturday as a free day for trail riding, driving, etc. and the Board Meeting would be on Saturday night and Sunday morning if needed. Greg Schollosser will contact PHR to check availability with suggested date as March 27, 28, 29.

4. Report of 2015 FWSS & plan for 2016

Shirley Knott gave an update on FWSS entries and advised sponsors are still needed. She has secured obstacle rental for this show. Discussed preparing 2016 FWSS Show Bill at the February Show Committee Meeting.

5. Texas Shoot-out (June 12, 13, 14) plan and timeline

Discussed the need for a dedicated Show Committee Meeting as soon as possible to begin work on TSO. Meeting to be held in Salado on February 8, 2015 at Larry and Elaine’s home.

6. Possibility of hosting joint show with GCDMA

Discussed possibilities for future joint events with GCDMA. No action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.