



Southwestern Donkey and Mule Society (SDMS)
Annual Meeting
December 5, 2015

Call To Order:

The 42nd Annual Meeting of SDMS was held on December 5, 2015 at the Oxbow Restaurant in Belton, TX presided over by Larry Wolfe, President. The meeting was called to order at 12:37pm.

Attendees:

Larry and Elaine Wolfe, Jim Tippie, Megan Teel, Kathy Teel, Jan Stallone, SiSu Morris, Barbara Hilliard, Emily Lambeth, Jackie Bien, Greg and Jan Schlosser, Lynda Cornell, Debbie Kelly, Sally Armstrong, Mike and Linda Alderson, Walter and Lee Fuermann, Laura and Pam Harless, David and Donna Heath, Kim Kasper, Shirley Knott, Jessica Meuth, Ricky and Glinda Scott, Dianne Smith, Mary Stewart, Kristin Stolee and Robert Polley.

Treasurer's Report:

Kathy Teel provided a report of our current account balances and expenditures. Additionally she provided year-to-year comparisons of income and expenses from the Fort Worth Stock Show, Texas Shoot Out, Belton Show, and other miscellaneous shows and events. The comparisons are attached at the end of these minutes.

Report of Committees:

The nominating committee provided input and election of officers. See under New Business below.

Old Business:

None at this time.

New Business:

1. Retiring board members announced, The Nominating Committee announced the new Board Members for 2016 Greg Schlosser, Debbie Kelley, Emily Lambeth, Jessica Meuth, Dianne Smith and Mary Stewart.
2. There were no additional nominations from the floor.
3. New Board Members were presented for nomination. A motion was received from the floor and seconded. The 6 members were voted in unanimously.

Adjournment:

The annual meeting was adjourned and followed by the presentation of the 2015 year end awards and also the gift auction to raise money for our scholarship fund.



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Board of Directors Meeting
December 5, 2015

Call To Order:

A meeting of the SDMS Board of Directors was held on December 5, 2015 at the Oxbow Restaurant in Belton, TX presided over by Larry Wolfe, outgoing president, and Jim Tippie, incoming president. The meeting was called to order at 2:39pm

Attendees:

Larry Wolfe, Jim Tippie, Laura Harless, Shirley Knott, Jan Stallone, Elaine Wolfe, Jackie Bien, Emily Lambeth, Greg Schlosser, Jessica Meuth, Mary Stewart, Dianne Smith, Sisu Morris

Old Business:

1. Accept Letters of Resignation for the following positions:
 - a. President, Larry Wolfe
 - b. Secretary, Megan Teel
 - c. Treasurer, Kathy Teel
 - d. Show Chairman, Sisu Morris
 - e. Show Coordinator, Jan Stallone
 - f. Parliamentarian, Elaine Wolfe (non-voting BOD member)

Motion: Emily Lambeth Second: Dianne Smith Passed

New Business:

1. Report of Nominating Committee for filling positions created by resignations:
 - a. Secretary, Laura Harless
 - b. Vice President, none
 - c. Show Chair, none
 - d. Treasurer, Shirley Knott
 - e. Parliamentarian, Rhonda Tippie
 - f. Show Coordinator, Jan Stallone (*Jan agreed to be re-elected to the position with the understanding that she would not haul equipment to the shows.*)

Motion: Jackie Bien Second: Shirley Knott Passed

2. Replacement of President, Larry Wolfe with Vice President, Jim Tippie. Larry Wolfe officially passed the gavel to Jim Tippie and at that time exited the meeting.



3. Next Meeting, January 9, 2016, 11:00am, El Conquistador, 901 N. Loop 340, Waco, TX 76705

New Business from the Floor:

1. Discussion on feasibility of having the Texas Shoot Out in 2016. A final decision will be made at the January Board Meeting. However below are some topics of discussion at the meeting:
 - a. Can we afford to have the competition and not make a profit or at least break even?
 - b. Can we cut back on some awards to save money?
 - c. We need to Go Big or not do it as that is what attendees expect.
 - d. In 2015 the duffle bags given to competitors was a large expense.
 - e. Is it possible to start planning now and have a successful show due to work load?
 - f. Shirley Knott agreed she would be the lead on the show, provided she had the full help and support of the Board of Directors.
 - g. Shirley will get previous show notes from Sally Armstrong to be distributed to the Board prior to the January 9, 2016 Board Meeting.

Adjournment:

Jim Tippie moved that the meeting be adjourned and all agreed. Meeting adjourned at 3:11pm.

Minutes submitted by Secretary, Laura Harless