

January 2017 Minutes

Minutes CTDA Board 01-03-2017

Sportsman's Grille, Cool Springs

Present - Marie Macdonald, Kathee Mephram, Scot MacGregor, Diane Hash, Bethany Gallagher, Shelley Fugitt, Sharon Blanford, Mimi Bliss, Beth Huff

Absent: Liz Johnston

Call to order - 6:30 pm by Marie Macdonald

Approval of December 2016 Minutes - Motion to approve by Shelley, seconded by Kathee. Motion carried.

Reports of officers and committees

Treasurer - SunTrust Balance is \$29502.29 The PayPal balance is \$1083.25. Upcoming expenses USDF roster update, Banquet catering & table rental, Award ribbons & embroidery of prizes.

Membership - Members renewing for 2017 = 43 to date but we usually expect a lot of people to renew at the Year End Awards Banquet. There is an issue with PayPal and the website for obtaining a membership. Sometimes it does not go through. Kathee will talk to Leanne about this.

Ads and Sponsors - Kathee has a list of unpaid ad sponsors and she has contacted these people for payment. She has some checks and she will make up a list of the remaining unpaid sponsors.

For the next meeting, all will review the ads and sponsors rate and we will discuss if the rates are to stay the same or be increased. The Ads & Sponsors form needs to be revised to reflect 2017 dates, etc.

Bethany talked about the potential for setting up an event at Farm Vet. Diane has agreed to do a presentation. The best time frame for this would be in April when the weather is better and in between shows. Bethany will find out how many people Farm Vet will allow us to have attend and from there we will decide if we should charge and if we should invite other groups to attend the event.

Volunteers - Year End Banquet was discussed. We will need the following persons: 3 people for checkout/check in. Discounted memberships will be available at check in

but must be paid in cash or check. We would like membership renewals to occur at check in and auction payment to be done at check out. Kathee will send out an eblast about our volunteer needs, banquet discounted memberships and silent auction. Beth Huff discussed the arrangements she has made with the caterer. Beth is also setting up a slideshow so if anyone has pictures please send them to Beth. The plan is to do the auction first at 5:30, then eat and then once everyone is seated with food to begin the awards. Set up will be at 3:30.

Diane Hash needs information about the past donors to the silent auction. Bethany will send her the list from last year. Kathee will send out an eblast about needing items for the silent auction.

Communications - Kathee Mephram

The web site has been updated to reflect new 2017 information. Kathee will continue to work with Leanne on any additions or corrections to the web site. Please forward any issues you find to her.

The rated shows are posted to the website. We will identify the Circle G shows on the calendar but will list them as non-sanctioned CTDA shows.

Recognized Shows - Local 2017 USDF Recognized Show dates are as follows:

April 1-2 Dressage at Circle G

May 6 Spring Fling (CTDA) at Harlinsdale

May 21-22 Dressage at Circle G

June 10-11 Tennessean (CTDA) at Brownland Farm-Youth Team Competition

July 15-16 Dressage at Circle G

August 25-27 Ole South (CTDA) at Miller Colesium, Murfreesboro- Adult Team Competition

Nan and Jen Thompson met with TEH and the Director of Friends of Franklin Parks. A \$7000 check was written for the warmup arena. The Park is ready to initiate construction of the warm up arena and says it will be complete in time for Spring Fling on May 6, 2017. This show will remain a one day, haul in only, recognized show.

Schooling Shows -Scot

Scot submitted the following **2017 dates and venues**. All are confirmed except for Walnut Trace Farm on April 22 and September 16 but we believe these dates will not

be a problem so we will continue on with them. The board discussed which board members would attend each show. Dates and names are listed below.

April 22	Diane Hash	Walnut Trace Farm (<u>unconfirmed</u>)
May 27	Sharon Blanford	Roberson Equestrian Facility
July 8	Kathee Mephram	Old Hillsboro Manor
August 5	Bethany Gallagher	Traveler's Rest Farm
September 2	Marie Macdonald	Jenni Hogan's farm
September 16	Liz Johnston	Walnut Trace Farm (<u>unconfirmed</u>)
October 7	Scot MacGregor	Roberson Equestrian Facility

Shelley has agreed to step in and assist Sherry Pride with schooling shows for the 2017 season only. Scott and Shelley will proceed with contacting and scheduling judges.

New Policy: *Minimum Number of Entries:* Upon Scot's recommendation, the Board determined that **fewer than 35 entries** should be grounds for cancelling a schooling show.

Awards

The board discussed the Participation Award and decided to give it to Jessica Roberson Wright. Jen Thompson is tabulating year end results.

The board discussed what we can do for Sherry Pride at the award banquet. It was decided to have a card for everyone to sign and a collection bucket to help with Sherry's expenses. Sherry has been very open about her illness and everyone's prayers are well received by her.

Shelley discussed ribbons for our rated shows. We will be going with Iverson ribbons, single color for the streamers and longer streamers. Nan brought up that the center piece of the ribbon should not be made of metal as we have seen that rust in the trailer.

Old Business

Our next meeting will be the board retreat. Please generate a list of your responsibilities and tasks for the offsite. Also anything that you see as improvements or lessons learned. The meeting will be Feb 7 at Nan Holland's house. We will also

discuss the 3 initiatives that we talked about at the last meeting (volunteer, membership, education).

New Business - The trailer has a leak in it. Mimi and Beth will talk to Mike at Green Pastures to see if he can fix it.

Next Meeting - Tuesday, February 7, 2016 @ 6:00pm Location: Nan Holland's house, 245 Chatfield Way, Franklin, TN 37067.

Adjourned - 8:00pm