



DIABLO ARABIAN HORSE ASSOCIATION

MINUTES –BOARD MEETING

October 5, 2021

Board Members

Diane Wishart
Jill Mitchell
Kathy Campbell
Penny Marrs
Evelyn Call
Debbie Heinzmann

Committee Members

Coke Swift
Marla Melloway

Guests

Treasurer Diane Wishart called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Minutes Review: Diane asked if everyone had reviewed the minutes from Sept 7, and had any additions or corrections. Penny made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Debbie seconded. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Correspondence: Coke noted we had received Thank You cards from two of the judges at the Fall Fling Show, Sheri Odom and Michell Combs. Sheri also included a check for \$16 that she had not used. Coke will send copies of the cards for our records.

Calendar Review: Diane reminded us the fiscal year for points closes Nov. 30. everyone needs to get their points in soon.

Marla mentioned Convention Registration needs to be done by October 15. The delegates have already been listed with AHA. Jill Mitchell, Kathy Campbell and Marla Melloway will be our delegates this year. Diane will take care of the registration.

Treasurer's Report: Diane just received the Show report from Sharon Richards, so hasn't had time to total everything up. Looking at the increase in our bank account, it appears we may have made at least \$10,000, maybe more. We had a good show! However, there is room for improvement. We will take a comprehensive look at it in November, when we need to budget for next year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

High Point: Kathy still has only 4 entries in the High Point Program. The question came up, do we need to have a High Point Banquet? Evelyn suggested having a once a year meeting for the entire club. Diane agreed an annual meeting of all members might be a good idea. Jill suggested making it a smaller meeting at a barn, maybe combined with a clinic and awards after. Debbie agreed with Evelyn, stating it would provide an opportunity for all members to get together. Jill suggested Manny Vierra's place. He always likes to show off his horses, and recently hosted a Racing Club event with Cory. Manny has a good caterer he uses frequently. Diane mentioned possibly having a Taco truck, supplied by Tequila Taqueria. The question came up, should it be held at the same time of year as the traditional banquet? The general consensus was yes. January and the first part of February don't have any shows to work around.

Awards Dinner: Jill offered to approach Manny about holding a get together at his place. If he's willing, we will take the next steps. We need to decide whether or not to charge, if so, how much. Diane suggested we ask for contributions in lieu of auctioning baskets.

Club Excellence Entry: Marla reported she already has the first item for our next Club Excellence binder. The #BBrave Fundraiser, organized by Leigha Perry, was written up with pictures. Penny said she's working on putting together pictures from the National Endurance Ride in Tennessee. Jill thanked the club for their support, and Kathy Campbell for going with her to help.

Breed Awareness, Family Outreach, Public Relations: Nothing to report

Social Media: Marla sent the #BBrave Fundraiser article to Denice for putting on the DAHA website and Facebook.

Diane reported Arabian Horse Times needs to be paid, to avoid a late charge for managing our website. The billing cycle is 12 months, ending Dec 31. AHT provides 1 hour per month to update the website. Diane said we need to develop a plan for our website and content updating. Kathy wanted to know what they did different, from what Denice does. It was noted AHT can handle the tech stuff, fix problems and change formats.

Horse Shows: Coke reported we had a fabulous show! We had 172 horses, 896 entries. The TBA classes brought in an extra \$1100. There were 13 patrons, for \$1950, plus lots of class sponsorships. Sharon Richards did a great job, and is excited to work the next show.

We still need judges for the Spring Show. Dressage is covered, but we need Main Ring, Working Western and Sport Horse. Diane will reach out to Debbie Compilli for judge suggestions. The Spring Show is the bigger of our two shows, so calls for judges from anywhere in the nation. The Fall Show can use judges that are more local, with less travel fees.

We need to have a Post Show meeting. Some items that need to be discussed are:

- *Possibly limiting classes to avoid too long days in Arena 1
- *Improving announcement sound from Arena 1 to the barns
- *Fitting in some fun classes, that got bumped by all the TBA's
- *Getting more photographers for Arena 1 and Dressage

Kurt Muller takes good pictures, Gail Bates is a possibility

Kelly Keneally will be the Main Ring photographer for the Spring Show. Our efforts to improve have paid off. The Fall Fling Show was a great success and well run. We got lots of compliments.

Trail: Nothing to report

Racing: Evelyn let us know all the horses have moved to Fresno. They will finish the season one week from Friday, with only a couple of races left. Some trainers have taken their horses to new race dates in Colorado, where the purses are double those in California.

Membership: Evelyn reported the following information

Adult 1 year	54	Youth	27	
3 year	41			
Lifetime	10	Total	132	Total voting members 105

There were many non members at the show; 15 AHA single events, 17 USEF show passes. Come will get names and addresses to Evelyn. These are all potential new members.

Youth: Leigha Perry asked Peyton Bergstad if she would be interested in the position. Waiting to hear.

Convention: The Convention will be held virtually, again this year, November 15-20. Penny will not attend, due to knee surgery. The delegates are Jill Mitchell, Kathy Campbell and Marla Melloway. Evelyn informed us there have been up to 5 paid delegates in the past.

Volunteer Awards: Diane has sent the Volunteer Awards to AHA.

Old Business: Elections are due. We missed the date for sending out a letter to the membership for any new nominations, listing the nominees already approved by the board. The board has nominated Marla Melloway, Tammy Collins-Grinton, Leigha Perry, Christine Raposo, Amanda Scott and Lisa Walker. This letter needs to go out ASAP.

We have 4 positions to fill. Evelyn is going off 2nd term, Jill will be past president, Kathy is going off 2nd term, and Lisa is going off, but is eligible for re-election. The DAHA board consists of 8 members plus the past president.

The ballot needs to be updated and mailed out by October 15.

New Business: Nothing to report

Evelyn made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Diane seconded. The motion was passed and the meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Marla Melloway

DAHA Secretary