



DIABLO ARABIAN HORSE ASSOCIATION

MINUTES –BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, December 7, 2021

Board Members

Evelyn Call
Jill Mitchell
Kathy Campbell
Debbie Heinzmann
Roseann DiCiari-Jones

Committee Members

Coke Swift
Marla Melloway
Peyton Bergstad

Guests

Tammy Collins
Christine Raposo

President Jill Mitchell called the meeting to order at 7:05.

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

Correspondence: Marla sent a sympathy card to Peter Ecclesine, husband of Janice Schultz. Janice is in her 5th year battling Alzheimer's. She was a long time member of DAHA and well liked.

Calendar Review: Coke reported the Fall Fling Show has been moved to the last week of September. The dates are Sept 29 to Oct 2.

Treasurer's Report: Diane sent Coke the money needed to pay USEF and AHA fees for the Fall Show.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

High Point: Kathy still has only 4 entries in the High Point Program. She is getting gifts. Tammy thought next year we should send out E-blasts, or mail flyers with the entry form attached. Christine suggested we post information about the HP Program on the AHA website. We could send out High Point notices to all members, early in the year. It should be on the DAHA Facebook page. All agreed High Point should be on the front page of the website, with its own drop down tab, entry form included. Marla will check with Denice to find out what we need to make that happen.

Awards Dinner: Jill contacted Manny Vierra, who was open to hosting the DAHA awards event at his ranch. Sunday, January 23 was chosen as the best date. We will have a brunch, at 11am, rather than a dinner. Marla will check with Manny to see if that date works for him. We will have Brentwood Fine Meats cater, who Manny uses regularly for his events.

Club Excellence Entry: Marla reported we won the Club Projects category in the Club Excellence Program. We also won Overall Club Excellence. Region III kept it close to home, with Gold Coast winning Breed Promotion/Community Involvement, and Wine Country winning Member Recruitment/Retention.

Breed Awareness, Family Outreach, Public Relations: Tammy told us about the Bay Area Kid Fest in Concord, May 28-29, 2022. This is an event we could participate in to introduce new people to the Arabian horse. We could have a booth, advertise DAHA, AHA and our trainers. Peyton could set up the Pucker Up Pony booth. We could have Goldie there, in costume.

Tammy also suggested we participate in Christmas parades next year, with Goldie lit up in lights.

Social Media: Marla needs to send the rest of the Convention write ups to Denice for posting. We need to post the Award Brunch information, as soon as the details are known. We should post a congratulations to Wine Country and Gold Coast for winning in the Club Excellence contest.

Horse Shows: Debbie Compilli is still working on Spring Show judges. We need a Main Ring judge and Working Western judge. Alice Calhoun will be the steward, Dan Stevenson Paddock Manager, and Sharon Richards Show Secretary. We need to get the AHA and USEF rule changes into the premium. Kathy Campbell wants “ladies” removed from the sentence about handing and showing stallions. Tammy wants to be sure Ranch Horse 10 & under gets into the premium. Christine wants Ranch Horse JTR classes. Adult Amateur Walk/Trot classes were proposed. Tammy suggested a Dad class as a fun class to add.

Marla wants to arrange a teaching session with Sharon Richards to learn her system better.

A Horse Show Committee meeting was scheduled for Sunday, January 9, 2022, to finalize the Spring Show Premium. It will be held at Orwoods at 10 am. Reminders will be sent out, as requested by Jill, Tammy and Christine.

Trail: Nothing to report

Racing: Evelyn reported Cory Soltau just returned from Abu Dhabi, where he attended races and schmoozed with the Sheikhs. Hopefully he can drum up some support for purses here in California.

Membership: Evelyn reported the following information
Adult total 104 Youth 25 Total membership 129

Evelyn will be retiring as Membership chairman at the end of this year. She will be sorely missed. We all hope you continue to check in on us at meetings.

Youth: Welcome to Peyton Bergstad, our new Youth coordinator. Evelyn reported she submitted the change to AHA.

Peyton’s “Pucker Up Pony” booth, at her families annual Holiday Barn Boutique, was a smashing success. Peyton and her helpers earned \$324 for the DAHA Youth Program.

Convention: Reports from this years Convention will be posted on DAHAs website. Next years Convention will be held in Myrtle Beach. Following that, 2023 will be virtual again. Reno is the site picked for 2024.

Volunteer Awards: Penny Marrs and Lisa Walker received Club Volunteer awards this year. Deborah Johnson, AHA President, made the announcements during the Convention General Session. A nice bio write up was shown on video, for everyone to read.

Old Business: Nothing to report.

New Business: Ballots from the election for board of directors were tallied. The new board members are Leigha Perry, Tammy Collins, Christine Raposo, and Marla Melloway. Congratulations. Officers need to be appointed for the next term.

Jill asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kathy made a motion to adjourn the. Roseann seconded. No one opposed. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Meeting to Elect New Officers

President - Tammy Collins Grinton Unanimous decision
Vice President - Christine Raposo Unanimous decision
Membership - Debbie Heinzmann Unanimous decision

Diane Wishart will continue as Treasurer
Peyton Bergstad will be the Youth Coordinator
Marla Melloway will continue as Secretary

Meeting adjourned at 8:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Marla Melloway
DAHA Secretary