

Central Plains Dressage Society
Meeting Minutes

Fun, Friendly, Forward

November 4, 2017

Vallarta's Restaurant, Mannford, Oklahoma

The meeting was called to order by Chris Cashel at 11:30 a.m. A quorum was present.

Present: Chris Cashel, Robin Hessel, Nancy Litsch, Stacia Wert-Gray, Annie Houchin, Nancy Eytcheson, and Christina Harmon.

Minutes from the September 1, 2017 and October 14, 2017 meeting were moved to be approved by Nancy Litsch, and seconded by Nancy Eytcheson. Unanimous approval.

Committee Reports:

Membership Coordination: -CPDS currently has 30 members. Nancy Eytcheson and Christina Harmon will get together to submit required forms for USDF
-Membership "push" drive was discussed. Encourage memberships from barns with a reduced rate, pay for 4 and get a fifth membership free from that barn
-Discussed a referral incentive. If you refer someone to become a new member, you get one free class entry at a schooling show
-Additional lines need to be added to membership form

Treasurer: \$1765 balance. We have enough ribbons for the three schooling shows in Jan, Feb and March

Website: -It was agreed that we need more info on the website, with a possible change of layout.
-Add information for year-end awards and requirements for CPDS members. Stacia Wert-Gray will write up and submit to Annie Houchin
-Christina Harmon will add information for FAQ
-Janet Cagle, Annie Houchin, and Stephanie Peck to work on format and layout of website

Awards: -Discussed information for year-end awards and requirements for CPDS members.
-Discussed that scores from Texas, Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas members would count for qualifying to ride in the end of year championships, but not for end of year awards.
-Stacia Wert-Gray will write up and submit to Annie Houchin for the website

Working Equitation: -CPDS Winter/spring schooling show series has been set for Jan, Feb and March
-The committee is looking for additional members to join Tamera Mayo, Lidia Taylor, and Camille Fuller
-The committee is requesting that the board approve CPDS sponsorship of a Working Equitation B rated show in the fall, requesting Sept.22-23, 2018

Friends of CPD: -Discussed publishing show dates from Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas

Items for Discussion:

1. CPDS Clothing: - Chris Cashel showed samples of shirts, both short and long sleeved, that will be available for sale at the Freestyle Festival.
2. The members discussed holding camps in 2018. Proposed an adult camp in August with Janice Pular, and a youth camp in June.
A new test symposium is scheduled for October 20-21, 2018, with Janet Foy at Valley View Equestrian Center. We need to work on a budget and seek grants and sponsorships.
Proposed a lesson day before the symposium.
3. Classroom education was proposed for over the winter for new riders and for parents of riders to familiarize them with showing before the season begins.
4. Chris Cashel has asked Ann Koons to represent CPD at the USDF AGM.
5. Freestyle Festival and Great Plains Chapter AGM was discussed. Eight freestyles are scheduled, beginning at 10:30, with the potluck lunch and the GPC AGM to be held at noon on November 11, 2017 at Valley View Equestrian Center in Stillwater. A celebratory launch meeting of Central Plains Dressage Society will follow, to include a question and answer session. GPC End of Year awards will be presented after the meeting.
6. Green Country Christmas party, December 9, 6:30 p.m. at Horse of Course in Claremore.
7. The next meeting TBD.

No executive session was called.

Nancy Litsch made a motion to adjourn, the motion was seconded by Annie Houchin. All agreed. Meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.