

Central Plains Dressage Society  
Meeting Minutes  
June 10, 2018  
On-line meeting via zoom.com

**Fun, Friendly, Forward**

The meeting was called to order by Chris Cashel at 5:05 p.m. A quorum was present.  
Present: Chris Cashel, Stacia Wert-Gray, Annie Houchin, Nancy Eytcheson, Janet Cagle, Robin Hessel, Christina Harmon and Nancy Litsch.

Minutes from the March and May meetings were moved to be approved by Chris Cashel, and seconded by Janet Cagle. Unanimous approval.

**Committee reports:**

**Breed Awards:** Christina Harmon researched the requirements from several breed organizations, finding which needed memberships, and which breeds would help with awards, and dates for receipt of applications. Discussion of awards for recognized show championships and Year End awards.

Tentative plan: Christina Harmon will contact the breed associations to request awards for the recognized show championships.

Stacia will ask members to email her by October 17 with horse's breed and the highest score of the year from that horse so we can determine our own awards for Year End.

**Membership:** Christina Harmon reported that USDF wants all memberships submitted before August 1, otherwise to roll over to 2019.

**Junior Camp:** Currently four students are enrolled, but anticipating several more before next week. Program to include Mindy Roland teaching vaulting on a barrel, Nancy Burba, Patty Couch, and Floor Van Run teaching, and Tamara Mayo doing a Working Equitation class.

-Annie Houchin to sort out food. Nancy Burba hosting a dinner at her house at least one night.

-Advertising has been a problem. Suggested a member to coordinate advertising and programming for all special events to ensure that they are in newsletter, on website, and in email blasts as needed.

**Education:** Wellness Spa Day planned on Saturday, September 22, 2018

-Adult Camp/Clinic August 24-26 with Melissa Creswick. Robin has the lead. Move in Friday, lunge lessons Friday evening. Semi-private or group lessons and/or yoga classes on Saturday before and after the AGM at lunchtime and Sunday morning. Melissa to speak at AGM. Janet to post as soon as possible. Robin to work with Melissa to determine costs.

-Janet Foy Symposium at VV October 20-21, 2018. To be a clinic format on Friday, new test symposium on Saturday. Robin, Nancy E, and Chris to work on details, including getting applications out for riders. Janet to send out save the date advertising blast for the symposium as well as the AGM and the adult camp/clinic.

**Treasurer:** Stacia Wert-Gray reported that there is \$9200 in the account, about \$1000 of which is prepaids, such as the USDF grant.

-Paypal has been popular.

-Making a couple hundred on each show so far this year.

-May have outstanding bills from Sheridan Stables due to the cancellation of the WE portion of the schooling show this past weekend.

**Working Equitation:** no report

**Awards:** Christina Harmon, Annie Houchin and Nancy Litsch agreed to co-chair the committee for year end awards

-Discussed the divisions for awards for east/west, schooling and recognized shows.

Stacia Wert-Gray to estimate how many awards are needed and will email board tomorrow

-Discussed ideas for awards, including embroidered saddle pads, hats, tee shirts and polo shirts, embroidered halters, grooming apron, coolers, tote bags and grooming bags. Chris Cashel to follow up with Mary Ontiveros about grooming apron, and Robin Hessel to call about the coolers. Annie Houchin to follow up on saddle pads from Horse of Course. Chris Cashel and Robin Hessel to research embroidery costs at different locations.

-Discussed awards that advertised CPDS, and perhaps the donor of the award

-Everyone who is researching information should send it to Christina Harmon or Nancy Litsch who will gather it all and organize to present at the July meeting to finalize decisions.

**Fundraising:** Discussed a raffle at the End of the Year AGM in November. Christina Harmon volunteered to make a piece of jewelry to donate.

**New Business:**

-Robin Hessel reported that the IRS has received the 503(b) application and indicated it would be between 1-90 days before approval comes through.

-Stacia Wert-Gray and Robin Hessel are working on judges for the 2019 show season

-Janet Cagle agreed to chair the nomination committee for new board positions next year and send emails with information out to membership

-Need committee to plan the Year End AGM and Freestyle Festival in November

Next meeting is scheduled on July 8, 5:00 pm.

Stacia Wert-Gray made a motion to adjourn, the motion was seconded by Christina Harmon. All agreed, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.