

## Central Plains Dressage Society

Fun, Friendly, Forward

December 18, 2022 6:00 pm. Zoom

### Meeting minutes

**Members present:** Kathy Maxwell, Christina Harmon, Holly Luke, Janelle Williams, Stacia Wert-Gray, Nancy Eytcheson, Robin Hessel, Kim Beard

Meeting called to order at 4:05 by Kathy Maxwell.

**Minutes** from the November board meeting were approved. Motion by Holly Luke and seconded by Stacia Wert-Gray.

**Financial Report:** Stacia Wert -Gray reported that there is about \$4500 in the checking account. All bills are paid, including insurance. Will be purchasing ribbons from the Hodges sale in January.

**Membership:** Stacia Wert-Gray reported that we are currently at 47 members.

**Show Report:** Stacia Wert-Gray reported:

\*Western Lite show rescheduled from Sunday, May 14 to Saturday, May 13 due to Mothers Day, and combined with the schooling show.

\*Due to costs, Horse Show Consulting is moving away from Fox Village for entries to Horse Show Office. Tests will be paperless, as the judge will call the scores, comments and collectives for the scribe to enter electronically. Ride scores will be committed to the show computer right after the ride is completed. Scores will be available for anyone to see, but the comments will only be seen by the rider. No runners will be needed, no score entry by the secretary, and no score checking. Holly Luke has volunteered to loan a monitor for the judge to view scores and comments that the scribe will enter on a laptop.

\*Discussion of changes to the requirements for Western Lite shows. EMT must be on the grounds, not just on call, and a licensed steward must be on the grounds. These two people will require an additional \$600 in expenses from previous seasonsl.

\*Entries will need to be increased for all shows to cover increases in expenses. (Class fees from \$25 to \$30, Stall fees up \$5, Office fees up \$5)

\*Discussion of whether or not the new electronic scribing responsibilities warrant the scribe becoming a paid position. Item tabled to January meeting.

\*Todd Williams has again offered to sponsor the receptions after the recognized shows next season.

\*Discussion of securing food trucks for recognized shows. Suggested starting a hospitality committee, and we need a chair.

**Communication:** Kathy Maxwell will write a new year's letter to membership.

\*Janelle Williams reported hits on the website: 1664 seeking Jodi Lees information, 996 looking at awards announcements, and 932 on Kim Beard's Region 9 Volunteer of the Year announcement. 187 new visits to our site, average time 5 minutes and 32 seconds.

**Education:** Robin Hessel led a discussion about organizing groups of junior, young rider and adult riders to attend programs put on by Region 9, rather than holding or hosting our own. Robin to gather more information for further discussion.

\*Discussion of possible programming for summer *GMO*, perhaps in August.

**Volunteers:** Kim Beard reported that she is already receiving calls from potential volunteers for the show season.

### **New Business:**

\*Discussion of activities for shows, such as a team challenge at the schooling show series in Jan, Feb, March.

\* Year End awards that were not picked up at the AGM cost \$124 to mail out, but we got a great response from families expressing thanks.

\*Discussion of possible judges for the 2024 show season.

\*Meeting schedule for 2023 will be reviewed for possible conflicts by Kathy Maxwell

Adjourned at 5:05. Motion by Christina Harmon, seconded by Stacia Wert-Gray

**Next meeting** January 8, 6 p.m. on Zoom.

