

**Central Plains Dressage Society**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**Fun, Friendly, and Forward**

July 10, 2021 at Valley View Equestrian Center

The meeting was called to order by Kathy Maxwell at 3:30 p.m.. Amy Mullins, LeaAnn Alf, Janelle Williams, Stacia Wert-Gray, Holly Luke, Robin Hessel, and Kathy Maxwell were present.

The minutes of the June meeting were approved. Motion made by Amy Mullins and seconded by Stacia Wert-Gray.

**Committee Reports:**

**Treasurer:**

Stacia Wert-Gray reported that there is approximately \$3000 in our accounts. Schooling show on July 10th made approximately \$300. Anticipated expenses are for the year end award ribbons at approximately \$500..

**Membership:**

Stacia Wert-Gray reported that we have 137 current members with one more to be added.

**Show Report:**

Stacia Wert-Gray anticipates the upcoming Labor Day Show will be full. Classical Dressage over the weekend and a Western Lite Show on Monday. It looks like the State Fair Show will be help on Tuesday, September 21, 2021. If there are at least eight entries Working Equitation will be offered. Amy Mullins will reach out to her contacts in the area to promote that.

Robin Hessel and Stacia Wert-Gray are working together to secure show dates and judges for the 2022 show season.

**Communication:**

Janelle Williams reported that our website had 1145 hits between 6/9/21 and 7/6/21, with 508 people checked and liked.

LeaAnn Alf reported that the next newsletter will go out in October, and the deadline will be September 15, 2021. Article topics to include "More Obscure Dressage Tests", Medalist Bios, and Judge Bios.

Hanoverian Inspection including Mare Performance Test to be held at Valley View Equestrian Center on September 15, 2021. Will do an e-blast prior to that date.

**Education:**

Summer AGM- Robin Hessel reported that the event will be help on September 12, 2021 at Patty Couch's Rocking C Stables in Inola from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.. The club will purchase BBQ and participants will be asked to bring a chair and a dish to share. There will be talks and demonstrations by Susan Lang, Patty Couch and demonstration riders. We will pay Patty a nominal fee to cover her time and facility usage and cover Susan Lang's travel expenses. There will be an hour between 11:30 and 12:30 to hold our club meeting, including voting on the changes to the bylaws, and eat lunch. Patty is organizing the demonstration riders. Robin Hessel will do the day schedule and Kathy Maxwell the meeting agenda.

Robin Hessel is investigating the potential of the club sponsoring the "L" Judge Program for 2022. We should be able to support the first three sections of the program.

Taste of Music Program. Robin Hessel reported that there will be an introduction to freestyle program offered. The program will be divided into three phases, The first phase participants will have the opportunity to ride to a variety of music, the next session would be geared to the technical aspects of producing the freestyle music. Participants would get instruction on using available programs such as Garage Band. The final phase would involve promoting Freestyles at our June 2022 for a possible money jackpot if we could secure sponsors. Robin will check with Kristin Knutson, Cassie Hartman, and Julia Denton for availability. The charge will be \$25 per session for adults, with a first come/paid, first served approach. A later session can be added if needed. For riders 10 and under they will be grouped together and the fee will be waived.

### **Youth/Young Riders**

Nancy Burba is working with Robin Hessel on the Taste of Music program.

### **Procedure:**

The Bylaws will reflect a preliminary financial report will be reported during the November AGM meeting with the final financial report following the calendar year. This report would be available by February 15th of the following year. Discussion regarding putting a summary of financials on the website and having individuals reach out for details upon request tabled for late discussion. Stacia Wert-gray will also work on putting together a budget for the 2022 calendar year based on historical revenues and expenses.

Amy Mullins will have the revised Bylaws ready to be distributed and connect with Annie Houchin and Janelle Williams to distribute prior to the September meeting so we can vote on the revisions.

### **Misc:**

Stacia Wert-Gray is looking into a plaque in memory of Deryn Stewart. It would be an annual award to someone that has served the club in a volunteer capacity. Paul Stewart has expressed interest in returning to volunteer at shows.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30. Motion to adjourn was made by Stacia Wert-Gray, seconded by Robin Hessel. Passed.

The next meeting will be held on August 8, 2021 via Zoom.