

ADA Board Meeting, September 15, 2016—Minutes

Attendance: Jennifer Spencer (Pres), Deana Johnson (taking over for Karen Duplantis), Marti Miller (Sec), Charlene Cohen (Treas); Senior Board—Ardene Eaton. Not present: Erika Kelsey and Jeff Ritter (Senior Board); Hannah Haghighi and Lauren Eaton (Junior Board). Lauren has left for college.

Meeting Place: Kaladi Brothers Coffee on Brayton Drive

Start time: 6:04 PM

Minutes: No minutes were available from the previous Board meeting. Minutes from April 5, 2016 Board meeting were approved at the May 3, 2016 meeting—no changes.

Treasurer's Report

- Current Available Cash Balance: \$8,458.77
- 2016 Show income was \$13,696.58
- 2016 Show expenses were \$20,709.50
- First show lost \$2,400
- August show lost ~\$200-300
- Should ADA look into the credit card option? Perhaps discuss in early 2017.

Election for 2017 Board:

- Vice President, Karen Duplantis, has moved out of state. Deana Johnson has stepped in to finish Karen's term, which ends 12/31/16.
- Two other seats are open—Ardene Eaton and Jennifer Spencer
- Jennifer will ask Raena if she will again participate on the Election Committee
- Possible Board candidates: Rosa Mehan and Gillian O'Doherty. Jennifer will talk to the former; Marti will speak to the latter.

2017 Summer Show Season:

- Proposed dates for the 2017 shows are as follows:
 - June 10-11, Spring Festival
 - July 14-15, July Jubilee I
 - July 16, July Jubilee II
 - August 12-13
- Deana requested some flexibility in these dates to accommodate scheduling conflicts for judges, should they arise. Board agreed.
- We should encourage Officials to fly out the same night the show ends to cut down on ADA's expenses for lodging.

Arena Clean Up:

- Clean up date is set for Saturday, September 24.
- Deana will circulate an email announcement.

Banquet:

- Jennifer and her husband have joined the Petroleum Club, so they can sponsor ADA for the upcoming banquet there. THANK YOU!

- Ardene and Jennifer will organize items for auction.
- Jeremy Beale will be in town for the banquet and Deana will see if he can donate a signed book for auction.

Other items:

- Marti circulated end-of-the-year award calculations. This year only 5 riders qualified for consideration for Rider of the Year. Going backwards, 2015 to 2011, the number who qualified were 16, 13, 14, 12, and 8, respectively. Deana asks that in January, we reconsider the 58% minimum adjusted score for qualification—drop to 55%? Marti noted that the 58% minimum did not impact any of the 2016 Champion or Reserve spots for Level Awards; nor did it impact the 1st, 2nd, or 3rd placings for Rider of the Year or Horse of the Year.
- We need to make sure the Calendar of Events on our web site is kept up-to-date. The Sally Swift clinic, which was a USDF-sponsored event, did not get included (or advertised). Also, Sharon Sadlon is organizing a Pony Club event for dressage and we should make sure we list it.
- Deana will circulate to the membership event emails she receives. Raena will update the ADA calendar on the web.
- ADA is interested in doing another wine-tasting event/fundraiser in April, 2017. Jennifer is willing to host it in her home.

Adjourn: 7:05 PM

Next meeting: Tuesday, October 4, 5 PM at Kaladi Brothers Coffee on Brayton Drive (off New Seward Highway). (Also planning a 10/25/16 meeting—just before the banquet.)