

Alaska Dressage Association
Board of Directors Meeting's Minutes
February 6th, 2023 at 7:30 via Teams video

1. Members present: Rosa, Hilary, Lauren, Janet, Ruth, Marcia and Kai.
2. Previous meeting's minutes approved. Lauren made a motion to approve the previous meeting's minutes. Seconded by Hilary.
3. Financial Report: a) Kristi has worked with Darlene and now the financial reports/system had moved to the Cloud. On Teams, reports on in the Finance folder. Darlene will continue to be the book-keeper for ADA and complete the official paperwork for tax purposes included the 1099 forms.
b) Some show fees will have a slight increase (for example, Prix Caprilli). Stall fees will increase and a small increase in administrative fees.
4. Sharon Sadlon joined in the meeting to discuss an exciting educational opportunity. Since there are new tests this year, Clinician Sue Kolstad will provide an opportunity for riders to demo the new tests. Sue will judge aloud so people auditing the clinic may learn as well. Scheduled for March 25. Fees are still being worked out but tentative ideas include: all junior riders (17 years and younger) may audit free of charge. Demo riders will pay \$25.00, ADA members will pay \$5.00 and non-members will pay \$10.00 Rosa will ask Erica to scribe for Sue. Outreach to Pony Club, etc for participation. Other items which need to be clarified: tests, where riders will warm-up, and food. Thank you, Sharon, for organizing this opportunity.
5. Arena Footing Project. Many thanks to Raena and Deana for their research into this project. Two bids: A) \$44,000 (new material and some superficial improvements to the Dressage arena)
B) \$77,000 (Completely new everything—removing footing, establishing drainage, replacing with new materials-- to the Dressage arena).
The track surrounding the arena would be an additional \$14,000.
Therefore, option A would be \$54,000 and option B would be \$94,000.
Rosa will contact the Rasmuson Foundation for Grant Opportunities. Raena will ask the Muni if \$\$ is available.
Possibilities to off-set costs: Donations of materials and volunteers (Sand and Gravel)
ADA already has \$10,000 in the bank for the project.
The contractor has estimated the project will take 2 weeks.
After reading the proposal, please direct comments/questions to Rosa. Rosa is the point-person.
6. Omnibus Status.
Chris and Hilary have been working on updates. The list of sponsors needs to be updated. This season, there will be a mailbox for entry forms at Summit Equestrian in the Butte.

7. Board Retreat: Date: March 5th
Time: 10:30AM to 12:30 PM
(originally, the retreat was going to be at Jitters Café in Eagle River—**UPDATE Ruth Spees will host at her home in Eagle River.**)
8. Show Committee: Officials have contracts and are signed. Darlene will do show insurance. Arena is scheduled.
Some items to be verified: Ribbons, tests, volunteer lists. Hilary has contacted Debbie Williams to assist at shows.
9. New Business: A Taste of L. An educational opportunity to work on judges' certification.
10. The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 PM.