

## Alaska Dressage Association Board of Directors Meeting

Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 7:30 PM via Teams

1. **Members Present:** Rosa, Hilary, Janet, Killian, Marcia  
Members Excused: Kristi, Lauren, Kai
2. **Approval of Agenda:** Hilary wanted to add a technology concern regarding Spam posts on the Facebook page. (Just a reminder to NOT click on the posts or message the sender). Amendment to the agenda passed.
3. **Approval of previous meeting's minutes.** The motion passed. Minutes will be posted on official board business.
4. **Old Business:** Rescheduling the Banquet. Proposed dates: Either Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup> or Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup>. Marcia will call Everetts and get information. Hilary will do the slide show. Marcia will make the list of items for the Silent Auction.
5. **New Business:** New Board Members: Marcia, Kristi and Rosa are all on the Board again and Welcome Mary from Fairbanks. Rosa will reach out to Mary. Killian and Sadie are the Junior Board Members. The Media Position needs to be filled.  
2024 Season: Officials and Arena Rentals are all set. Insurance still needs to be paid. ADA still needs a Show Secretary for the July shows. The Omnibus—the veterinarians need to be identified for the shows in the prize lists.  
Show Awards: For the highest and second highest scores (regardless if scores are over 58%)  
New USDF Rules: Barns need to be quiet for 6 hours at night. Media may not be used to dispute the Judge's decision. The Ring Steward will check for spur marks. The TD will do bit checks.  
TD Clinic: Possibly a two-hour lecture on Thursday night or Friday morning regarding equipment (bits specifically) so riders know the equipment prior to the show.  
Pre-season spring meeting with membership: Info to share: USDF awards, Senior Classes, Entries, Goals, Tack Cleaning,  
Facebook Idea: To create a Facebook page for Alaska Dressage Enthusiasts. Anyone could post information regarding educational opportunities, clinics, questions, events. This page would be in addition to the ADA Facebook page. Someone from the ADA Board would be one of the Administrators.  
Fees. Currently, ADA membership is \$50. Of this money, \$24 goes to USDF and \$26 goes to ADA. Question: Should ADA increase the fee? Research will be done on when fees were raised last. Membership is low right now but many people renew their memberships at the Banquet. ADA will send out reminders.  
Rene Johnson Clinic: Janet reported that Rene has not responded with the specifics of a clinic yet, regarding cost, facility, and date.

**Next Meeting:** January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024.