

# DVCTA BOARD MEETING

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**MAY 2, 2017**

Members of the DVCTA Board met for its regularly-scheduled meeting on Tuesday, May 2, 2017, at Longwood family restaurant, 938 E Baltimore Pike, Kennett Square, PA 19348. A quorum was present. President Alix James called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m. The board considered two programs to increase membership. The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

## **ATTENDANCE**

Officers attending: Alix James, President; Elizabeth Brenner, Vice President; Megan Mendenhall, Recording Secretary; Darcy Miller, Treasurer.

Board Members attending: Jill Green, Erin Sylvester, Lisa Knox, Aneesa Romans, Ellie Rawle, Gaye Bergstrom and Sue Springsteen.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The board unanimously approved the MOTION of Ellie Rawle, seconded by Lisa Knox, to accept the Minutes from Board's March 7, 2017 and the April 4, 2016 meetings.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **1) MEMBERSHIP – Elsie Kellerman**

We have 168 current members, compared to 196 at the same time last year. The board suggested an email blast to last years members to see if we could increase membership numbers.

## **2) FINANCE – Darcy Miller**

The club currently has \$89, 006.09 in the account. We need to reimburse Danni Toscano \$800 for year end awards.

## **3) SANCTIONED SHOWS – Tracey Basler**

There will be a required donation towards the annual awards program from each facility sanctioned by DVCTA that will begin in 2018.

## **4) CT COMPETITIONS – Lisa Knox**

Frank and Erin will communicate directly for jump delivery. Carousel Park's insurance requires they be the ones to remove the jumps and meet in a central location for pick up by DVCTA.

## **5) EDUCATION – Sue Springsteen**

Michael Klimke is reluctant to give dates to us BUT Sue Blink is willing to give us dates instead. It will be a 2 day format with reception. She is not common to our area so we hope our fresh face will bring a freshness for riders and auditors.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

The board began a general discussion about member benefits as a review for officers and members present. The board would like to increase more local business benefits and perhaps create a welcome packet for new members to increase numbers.

The board nominated Jill Green as events manager to increase the quality of social events and nominated Karen Walsh as gift manager for volunteers and outgoing board members.

The main discussion was focused around reintroducing the medal program and pin volunteer awards. Other ideas to award winners included discounts

on membership and to create a CT rider award program in the same bronze, silver and gold format as the dressage medals.

Alix and Liz agree to discuss putting a place on the website to validate individual membership and include member benefits. Darcy will look into education certificates for DVCTA in a similar fashion to what is given by Austin Unlimited Dressage.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55

Respectfully submitted.

Megan Mendenhall  
Recording Secretary