



Minutes of DVCTA Board of Directors Meeting

July 12, 2022

Stroud Water Center Conference Room

Recording Secretary – Alix James

The meeting was called to order at 7:38 by President Darcy Miller. The meeting was preceded by a guest lecture by Dr. Pat Bona on Posture Prep, myofascial release and evaluating your horse for red flags.

In attendance:

President:	Darcy Miller	Yes
Treasurer:	Lisa Leana	Yes
Vice Presidents:	Eliza Herman	No (Excused)
	Megan Mendenhall	Yes
Recording Secretary:	Alix James	Yes
Directors:	Sharon Sexton	No (Excused)
	Mike Broomall	Yes
	Lisa Knox	Yes
	Linda Drejza	Yes
	Kelly Barry	No
	Mari Drenning	No (Excused)
	Joanne Mohr	Yes
	Kris Poole	No

General members also attending: Lauren Annett, Ange Bean, Rebecca Lynch, Fiona Gowers, Linda Swank, Justine Watson, Carol Lippa, Becky Lynch

A quorum of 50% of the directors and 3 officers being present, the Board was authorized to conduct business.

June minutes will be circulated next meeting.

Committee Reports:

Treasurer (Lisa Leana): \$94,984.75 total in checking and Paypal. Sally Lofting inquired about Leslie King Scholarship funds. Need to research history of transactions.

Membership (Sharon Sexton): Alix designed a postcard for renewal and sent it to 78 former members who have not rejoined for a cost of \$75. Alix still needs to investigate Paypal subscriptions would be the easiest way to add a subscription option to membership. The incentive would be to lock in current membership rates. Members would have to cancel their subscription through Paypal, not on the DVCTA site.

Quadrille (Anne Miller, Donna Shar): Team demo set for DAD. Setting practice schedule.

Year End Awards (Lauren Annett, Maryann Luke, Justine Watson): Discussion was had about paying for volunteer hours in lieu of working them. In years past there were some donations to the auction that were counted as volunteer donations. It was moved, seconded and passed that volunteer hours could ONLY be met by working or paying, not auction donations. We reviewed the draft awards categories and qualifications and discussion was also had as to whether we need a separate lead line division for year-

end awards – the committee recommended that this is not necessary but will evaluate submissions to make sure the community gets fair opportunities. The committee also proposed that we adopt the USEF definition of Open and Amateur and that 19 year olds and up be rolled into these groups. We briefly discussed whether we should remove the requirement that one score be the highest test of the level and agreed with the committee's recommendation to keep that requirement and also not add a minimum score requirement. We also noted that the ribbons should say Year End Award not High Score Award. The committee recommended a budget of \$5000 for awards. Mike Broomall moved and Lisa Leana seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Adult Teams (Karen Walsh, Anecia Delduco, Becky Lynch, Lisa Knox, Anne Miller): Posted letter of intent form to website and have 12 letters of intent so far. Applications are due by July 30th.

Junior Teams (Lisa Knox, Anecia Delduco, Karen Walsh): No report from committee. Three clinics scheduled Anne Moss at West View, Dani Toscano at Pony Island and Melanie Delduco at Second Nature Farm.

Recognized show, Summer Opener (Megan Mendenhall, Carol Lippa): No report.

Harvest Fest (Eliza Herman): Harvest Fest Eventing Championship Sept. 18, 2022.

Scholarships (Anecia Delduco, Karen Walsh, Anne Miller): No report.

Sanctioned Schooling Shows (Sharon Sexton, Lisa Leana): Fox Crossing would like to apply for 2023. Lisa has an application form that lists the requirements. It has become apparent that one of the currently sanctioned facilities (Silver Fern) does not have a standard 20x60m arena and the committee recommends that this facility not be sanctioned for 2023. The Board reviewed the proposed requirements and agreed they were appropriate after making some minor adjustments. We agreed that the criteria should be for approving a facility for sanctioned shows and that they could provide their show dates if they have them but it was not required. The DVCTA site would direct members to the facilities' website for final details.

Volunteers (Kris Poole, Meg Jioffre): No report.

Annual Dinner (Lisa Leana): Will be held in the Red Clay Room Kennett Square, February 4th, 2023. With the tax, gratuity, bartender fee, Auction Table fee and AV fee we will need to charge around \$50 per person for 100 people. Serving Details: Professional Wait Staff, Villeroy & Bach China & Silverware, Royal Blue Table Linens & Hunter Green Napkins, 14 Silent Auction Tables (on dance floor) \$70.00, A/V Tech \$80.00, 1 – Registration Table, Globe Centerpieces, 12 tables of 8, 2 tables of 10, Bar Services Available. Cash Bar w/Bartender @ \$150.00. Cost \$35 per person (Plus 6% sales tax, 20% gratuity and \$300 room rental fee).

Education (Ange Bean, Carol Lippa, Darcy Miller, Jill Green, Sharon Sexton): Ange Bean reported on the investigation of having a Freestyle Clinic in March because of new MFS tests being issued next year. The education committee is reaching out to instructors for last weekend in March. There are no Freestyle programs scheduled this year or next year on USDF. Based on other L programs running it made the most sense to look at having an L program part 1 starting November of 2023 (January, March 2024 continuing at Windurra). Next meeting's speaker will be Alice Morse on the history of DVCTA.

New Business:

Alix and Darcy will check DVCTA's insurance additional insured certificates to ensure they match with facilities holding general membership events.

Meeting adjourned at 8:54 PM.

BOARD MEETING DATES FOR 2022:

April 12 - May 10 - June 14 - July 12 - Aug 9 – Sept 20 – Oct 18 - Nov 15 - Dec 13