



Minutes of DVCTA Board of Directors Meeting

March 14, 2023

Stroud Water Center Conference Room / Zoom

Alix James, Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 7:50 by President Darcy Miller after a presentation by Alix James on the equestrian sport of Working Equitation.

Attendance:

The following officers, directors and members were in attendance. A quorum of 3 officers and of 50% of the directors (6+) being present, the Board was authorized to conduct business.

Angie Bean
Michael Broomall Officer
Heather Dice
Linda Drejza Director
Meg Gioffre Director
Fiona Gowers
Alix James Officer
Penny Knotts
Lisa Leana Officer
Bercky Lynch Director
Jennifer McWilliams
Darcy Miller Officer
Joanne Mohr Director
Cassie Strobel Director
Justine Watson Director

December 2022 minutes were circulated and approved by email. All 2022 minutes will be posted to website.

Committee Reports:

Treasurer (Lisa Leana): \$85,481.63 in checking, \$6,377.02 in Paypal. Posture Prep clinic profited \$30.

Recognized show, Summer Opener (Megan Mendenhall, Carol Lipa): No report. Judge will be John MacPherson, S, from Canada.

Membership (Sharon Sexton): 177 members have joined for 2023 – about normal for this time of year.

Quadrille (Anne Miller, Donna Shar): Chair is on sabbatical for this year for family wedding and no other volunteers have been found so Quadrille will be suspended for 2023 and back in 2024.

Harvest Fest (Eliza Herman): Combined test will be two weeks after dressage show to avoid conflict with other shows in the area.

Eventing (?): There will be a grid clinic in June for DVCTA members.

Year End Awards (Justine Watson, Meg Gioffre): Meg and Justine will co-chair. Justine would very much like help at the end of the year because it is a LOT of work!

Sanctioned Schooling Shows (Sharon Sexton, Lisa Leana): All participants have completed their applications. Full list of facilities and dates is posted at [Approved Schooling Shows | DVCTA](#).

Volunteers (Meg Gioffre): Meg agreed to chair. In general encourage accepting volunteer hours from committees as well as volunteers. She'll check in with questions.

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

Adult Teams (Becky Lynch, Karen Walsh, Anne Miller, Linda Drejza): Committee formed – more info to come.

Education (Ange Bean, Carol Lipa, Darcy Miller, Jill Green, Sharon Sexton):

- **Musical freestyle clinic** was a huge success. 8 judge participants, 60 auditors, Dressage Foundation Grant applied. A small "loss" for demo rider vests but these were really DVCTA promotion. Financial report:

Income:	
Auditors, Participants, Lunches, Ads less without PayPal Fees	7,315.00
Expenses:	
Terry	2,671.80
Lois	1,538.80
Hilton	750.36
Rider Vests	335.88
Embroidery	180.00
Programs	254.97
Handouts	118.65
ID badges, name tags, folders	43.11
Gift for Martins	250.00
Misc. items/Flowers	97.77
<u>Lunches, snacks, dinners</u>	<u>1624.24</u>
<u>Total Expenses</u>	<u>7865.58</u>
Net Income	(550.58)

- **L Program** may not be able to begin November 2023 as hoped -- having difficulty finding a location so don't have dates. Working on solidifying.

Junior Teams (Anecia Delduco, Karen Walsh): No report.

Pub at Dressage at Devon (Mike Broomall, Robin Ross): Darcy and Mike met with Lori Kaminski and Anne Moss to discuss. DVCTA will staff the pub Tues. to Sunday. Must buy booze from DAD vendors. Need to get a serving license to do food but Mike says it does not look difficult.

Annual Dinner (Lisa Leana): The total for the February banquet was \$4,833.60 plus the band \$300.00 = \$5,133.60. Ticket sales less the paypal fees was \$4,803.84. So we almost broke even – spent just \$329.76 on an event that was well-attended and enjoyed by the membership – definitely part of our job as DVCTA! Feedback was that the food was good, people liked how the banquet was run and the silent auction was the best in recent memory for some people, citing the variety and volume of items.

Annual Auction (Linda Drejza, Kelly Barry, Joanne Mohr, Rita Lowry): Total take on the silent auction and 50/50 raffle:

Paypal: \$1,645.00
Checks \$1,662.00
Cash: \$919.00
For a total of \$4,226.00

Plus \$306 (total) from the raffle (the \$153 was donated back)
Totaling \$4,532.00

For comparison, the past 2 were online auctions. 2021 had 52 items and raised \$3,310. 2022 had 56 items and raised \$4,377. The auction committee had a short time frame due to the passing of Lisa Knox to pull off the auction and did a fantastic job. Next year we can start earlier and have even more options.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

2023 BOARD MEETING DATES:

TASKS TO DO:

- Alix 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. **WILL TEST USING WAVE TO SEND REMINDER INVOICES.**
- Alix & Lisa to explore using Wave to send membership invoices that can be paid directly without having to use Paypal.
- Find a way to get reviewed financials for reasonable cost. Needed if we go over \$50k in gross receipts.
- Alix to review Committee chair language in Bylaws.

2023 Board Meeting Dates:

Mar 14, 2023 07:30 PM

Apr 11, 2023 07:30 PM

May 9, 2023 07:30 PM

Jun 13, 2023 07:30 PM

Jul 11, 2023 07:30 PM

Aug 8, 2023 07:30 PM

Sep 12, 2023 07:30 PM

Oct 10, 2023 07:30 PM

Nov 14, 2023 07:30 PM

Dec 12, 2023 07:30 PM