



Minutes of DVCTA Board of Directors Meeting

February 8, 2025 and March 11, 2025

Stroud Water Research Center & Zoom

Alix James, Recording Secretary

The February meeting of the DVCTA Board was held in conjunction with the membership meeting, banquet and awards presentation on February 8th, 2025, at the Kennett Square Clay Creek Room banquet hall. A brief summary of 2024 activities and finances (attached) was presented by President Darcy Miller and the 2025 Board of Directors (listed below) was announced having been approved by electronic vote of the membership.

The March Board Meeting was held at Stroud Water Research Center and on Zoom. The meeting was preceded by a presentation from Sherrill Davison from New Bolton Center on Avian Influenza. The meeting was called to order at 7:50 PM by President Darcy Miller.

Attendance at Meeting:

Officers

Darcy Miller
Mike Broomall
Lisa Leana
Alix James

Carol Lippa
~~Kelsey Peterson~~
Karen Rubin
Sharon Sexton
Lisa Varotsis
~~Justine Watson~~

Directors

~~Kelly Barry~~
~~Linda Drezja~~
Lisa Fiorelli
Megan Gioffre
Penny Knotts
Joanne Mohr

Guests

Linda Swank
Dana Pound

A quorum of 3 officers and 50% of the directors (6 or more) being present, the Board was authorized to conduct business.

Committee Reports:

Treasurer (Lisa Leana): Bank Balance: \$106,612.38, PayPal Balance \$8,976.92, total: \$115,589.30. Discussion to confirm we sent a check to Stroud as a donation for allowing us to use the room.

Minutes: Minutes of December meeting were approved by email including corrections.

Membership (Sharon Sexton): 147 have joined so far for 2025. Last year at this time had 97.

Quadrille (Anne Miller): Planning a ride for Devon anniversary. 8 horse team plus two alternates. May request a slightly budget from DVCTA in addition to budget being provided by DAD and comped stalls and shavings.

Harvest Fest (Penny Knotts, Darcy Miller): No report.

Eventing (Eliza Herman, Karen Rubin): No report.

Year End Awards (Joanne Mohr, Julie Ceccati): Year end awards all handed out at banquet. Gorgeous awards and fun stall bags. Need to post awards slide show to website. (Mike) Alix has sent a form outline to Annie to partially automate submissions for 2025. Justine is stepping down and Julie Ceccati is joining the committee.

Sanctioned Schooling Shows (Lisa Leana, Alix James): As part of the volunteer discussion we also discussed getting all the results from every schooling show and posting them on the DVCTA website. **Alix** will work on this with Annie and creating a template for upload. (Still pending.)

Volunteers (Meg Gioffre): New volunteer form up on website.

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

Adult Teams (Becky Lynch, Anecia Delduco, Karen Walsh, Linda Drejza): No report.

Education (Karen Rubin): No report.

L program: Session C of Part I finished up March 8 and 9. Mike Osinski was a great teacher - passionate and dynamic. Part II has been approved by USDF and Lauren Annett is the chair. Lauren and her team have submitted their chosen applications to USDF. Part II, Session D1 will be at Stroud May 3&4, D2 will be at Pony Club event in July and the final exam will be at regional finals in October. Part II Sessions are smaller - just 10 participants and their scribes - and will be certain to fill as many A-B-C sessions have already been run.

Junior Teams (Megan Kuon): No Jr. Team this year unless interest crops up.

Pub at Dressage at Devon (Mike Broomall, Penny Knotts): Mike looking at options for space and debating beer.

Annual Dinner (Lisa Leana): Ticket sales were \$7,303.77 and expenses were \$7,720.35 with \$417.10 being contributed from DVCTA. We discussed changing the format to a weekend brunch instead of dinner. Lisa Varotsis will investigate locations for a brunch considering dates of Feb. 21/22 or 27/28.

Annual Auction (Linda Drejza, Kelly Barry, Joanne Mohr, Rita Lowry): Auction brought in \$4,102.95. Lots of selection and almost everything sold.

NEW BUSINESS

Remaining 2025 Board Meeting Dates

All at Stroud Water Research Center at 7:30. Most will be preceded by open member presentations and/or committee meetings beginning at 7:00.

Mar. 11

Apr. 8

May 13

June 10

July 8

Aug. 12

Sept. 9

Oct. 14

Nov. 11

Dec. 9

Board is required to meet 10 times per year so we can drop one of the meetings if needed.

Zoom link for virtual attendees - Valid for all meetings:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZEgdu-hqT4vG9HlpN2ckisBxgM9Ka7ImBek/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGtqTosE9OQtRiCRpwMB4j4M_PwtiVYjfp1tQ_LUSNYaxDULuVva5I-R_Hd](https://us02web.zoom.us/join/https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZEgdu-hqT4vG9HlpN2ckisBxgM9Ka7ImBek/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGtqTosE9OQtRiCRpwMB4j4M_PwtiVYjfp1tQ_LUSNYaxDULuVva5I-R_Hd)