

UDS Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, December 09, 2009 at the office of Sue Jero

Submitted by Andrea Reynoso, UDS Secretary

Attendees: Stacy Ade: President, Stephanie Brown-Beamer: Vice President, Sue Jero: Competitions, Julie Fox: Communication - Webmaster, Vicki May: Communication –Newsletter, Kay Van Patter: Membership, Corrine Cody: Events & Outreach, Eva Adolphi: Advisor, Andrea Reynoso: Secretary

DISCUSSION

- 2010 Change of show dates from August 21 & 22 to different date to support the cpi show in CO. We decided to try to change the dates to either 8/6 & 7; 8/13 & 14; or 7/9 & 10. This change also took the show from a Sat. Sun. show to a Fri. Sat. show.
- Pros and Cons of grouping together with the RMDS – at this point the cons out way the pros. We have agreed to stay in better communication with them. This would possibly include cross advertising their shows in our omnibus and vice versa. We also discussed that we need to be more out spoken in our region and take the initiative to speak out and show people what we are doing to help our members.
- Stephanie wants to increase and vamp up our Youth programs. This includes a facebook page for the youth and getting a group organized and motivated. In addition youth in other areas have earned money and have put it towards the fund and we have not been able to contribute.
- Eva talked about adding opportunity classes at the shows. This might be a good way to get more beginners into the dressage venue.
- Eva talked about the differences in the show level and advised that at this time we do not have the experience to warrant a level 3 status and the shows at those levels are more of a headache.
- Report from Stephanie will be published in the newsletter. The general idea is that fees have increased, the championships will not be held in NM any more. In 2010 they will be in CO, 2011 will be in AZ, and an application was requested for UT by Allison Child for 2012. Discussed 'Point Chasing' and 'Santa Claus' judges.
- Discussed creation of the data base for riders to track their scores.
- Considering having youth at expo and maybe offering an intro award, new rider award, and first time shower awards to increase membership and interest in the shows.

BANQUET

- Year end awards – Championship will be nice stall bags for blankets and show supplies and will be black and gold. Reserves will get an ariat boot bag.
- Italian buffet with both Caesar and green salads that will be held at home town.
- Stacy will be getting invites out over the weekend
- Julie will be sending a blast email out to people about 3 wks ahead of time reminding them and asking for donations for the silent auction.
- Maybe do a "Battle of the Barns" at the silent auction to increase donations.

ACTIONS

- Reviewed October 2009 and November 2009 minutes and approved
- Motion made to approve prizes for the year end awards – was passed
- Motion made to do away with the horse/rider combo registration. In lieu we would require all owners to be members of the UDS, all riders be members of UDS, and all horses have a USDF Horse Identification Number to qualify for yearend awards. Motion was Passed
- Voted on the volunteer of the year. Winner decided: Sari Stevens
- Reviewed applications for Junior/Young Rider Sportsmanship Award. Only one entry was submitted for Jordan Taylor. Club will check to make sure she is still a youth rider and that she has a current UDS membership.
- Motion on changing status from 501C7 to a 501C3 - Passed
- Tabled the discussion on selling vests for a fundraiser
- Tabled the discussion on the scholarship applications because one hadn't been brought in

