

EDCTSA Meeting: October 12, 2009

Board Members: Tricia Hooton, Bethann Morison, Lisa Graf, Libby Kachmor, and Wanda Morrow
Members at Large: Jennifer Collins, Jackie Acha, Catherine Marks, Mary Ann Cabbage, and Pamela Mcknight.

Members: Melissa and Chris Deal, Shari Weiss-Riojas, Pat Mulligan, Pat Lanier, Cathy Fletcher, Amy Acha and Sarah Langham.

7:00pm Patricia Hooton called the meeting to order.

Minutes: unavailable

Treasurer's Report:

Starting Balance: \$2,447.64
Net Expenses: 365.00
Net Income: 1,291.00
New Balance: \$3,373.64

The first thing on the agenda was Patricia addressed complaints she had received from members:

1. Need for low-cost activities for the membership
2. Lack of combined training at shows
3. Show fee of \$75 too high
4. Need a way to attract more kids to the club

Patricia Hooton then opened the floor for other complaints. Pat Mulligan brought up the lack of a newsletter has been unfair to the membership and that the members have not had a way to know of upcoming shows and activities. Vice President, Lisa Graf, offered to take over the newsletter and member, Melissa Deal, offered to continue to write articles and offered assistance to Lisa.

In lieu of the lack of a newsletter Pat Mulligan made the motion that 2009 business members be given half off their membership fee for 2010. Jen Collins seconds the motion. The motion carried.

Show fee of \$75 too high: Pat Mulligan suggested that the \$75 fee remain the same because of the number of show cancellations at the last minute. Shari Weiss-Riojas suggested the same \$75 deposit be made but if the show is not cancelled then \$25 dollars of that fee can be used toward the ribbon deposit. Pat Mulligan made the motion that the \$75 deposit remain the same but that if show is not cancelled \$25 will be applied to the ribbon deposit. Jen Collins seconds the motion. The motion carried.

Wanda Morrow made the motion to lower ribbon deposit to \$75. Catherine Marks second the motion. The motion carried.

Wanda Morrow made the motion that all the show applications be given at the annual banquet. Patricia Hooton asked if 90 days was enough time for members to decide on whether they could run a show for next year. Pat Mulligan asked who was in charge of money for the shows. Patricia responded it was the treasurer's job. The motion was tabled.

Fall Shows: The October 31st show is cancelled due to health concerns of the organizer. There will be a "Ride a Test" clinic at "The Preserve" in Washington, NC on November 7th with Rebecca Blikslager. November 21st Show at Equine Country: There is no show organizer. Patricia Hooton offered to be secretary for this show. Wanda Morrow and Cathy Fletcher offered their facility for the show. The show will take place at "The Preserve" with judge TBA. The December 12th show at Clay Hill Stables in New Bern will be held, organizer: Shari Weiss-Riojas.

Pat Mulligan made motion that money that was allocated for "Dressage 101" day but not used be re-allocated for the Ride-A-Test clinic to lower cost for members. This motion was tabled during discussion.

Oct 17-18 Annie Mauder Clinic: Libby Kachmor was having trouble filling the clinic and was going to lose money or have to cancel clinic at last minute. Libby had gotten Annie to lower her cost and got Equine Country to lower their facility fee as well but was still \$260 short.

Jen Collins made the motion to allocate \$300 to the "Fix-a-Test" clinic and \$300 to Libby Kachmor for the Annie Mauder clinic. Wanda Morrow seconds the motion. The motion carried.

Melissa Deal wants to present an end of the year award for Sport Horse Versatility at the awards banquet. Pat Mulligan made motion for the award and Wanda Morrow seconds the motion. The motion carried.

Wanda Morrow and Cathy Fletcher had some problems that they wanted to discuss from their show. There were individuals that asked them to make big changes in the program the day of the show and this caused problems for others. The \$2 number refund was also causing problems, so they will be removing this refund from their prize list in the future.

Catherine Marks made motion to adjourn the meeting. Jen Collins seconds the motion. The meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.