

## MDS Board Meeting September 29, 2015

Meeting called to order 6:37

Attendance: Bryn Walsh EMDA, Becky Reed EMDA, Pat Martin WMDA, Cassi Martin WMDA, Kathleen Fox NMDA, Laurie Lee At Large, Elizabeth Owens At Large, Carol Poulin-Taylor CMDA, Selma Powers CMDA, Suzanne Crowell CMDA, Michele Marden EMDA, Lauren Taylor NMDA.

Secretary's Report: e-mailed by Becky Reed. Carol Poulin-Taylor makes a motion to accept, Second by Elizabeth Owens.

Treasurer's Report: e-mailed by Kathleen Fox. We have a \$22274.57 account balance currently. There was a small amount of confusion when transferring money from the old MDS account to the new TMDS account. Two outstanding checks sent to EMDA and CMDA for membership reimbursement from old account. New checks from new account will be issued to EMDA and CMDA. Estimated profit \$418.51 year to date estimated. Club insurance payments all are current. Laurie Lee makes a motion to accept, Second by Pat Martin.

### Membership report:

Membership 2015

177 total members- of those 21 are supporting members

CMDA

65 total members- of those 10 are supporting members

16 new members for 2015

(44 members in 2014)

EMDA

62 total members - of those 6 are supporting members

26 new members for 2015

(20 members in 2014)

NMDA

23 total members- of those 2 are supporting members

4 new members for 2015

(11 members in 2014)

WMDA

58 total members- of those 9 are supporting members

12 new members for 2015

(47 members in 2014)

### Committee reports:

-Bylaws- No news

-Newsletter- Next deadline 12/1

-Website/Facebook-new website not live yet will be soon. \$1820 fee due to TEBO design for hosting and web design. Becky Reed working with TEBO to get new site live.

-Omnibus- missing two ad payments La Quinta (trouble with getting corporate ad payments without an invoice) and PFU. Cassi and Pat working to resolve missing payments. Cassi Martin is willing to take on Omnibus editing again for this year and she has started new email address MDSomnibus@yahoo.com

Cassi will send calendar to show listings for review prior to going to print as well as proof of listings for approval prior to print.

NMDA shows listed wrong this year, wrong location four shows. They are asking for four free listings- Pat Martin makes a motion to give them two free listings, Second by Elizabeth Owens.

-Education- Carol has called and left messages just recently for Volker Broman of California, and Peter Hansen Delaware. Suzanne Crowell e-mailed Ruth Hogan Poulsen who charges \$1300/8hrs and mileage. Approximately \$165 dollars in mileage. Lesson spots would be 45 min privates or one hour semi-privates. Bryn will contact Kathy Connelly.

-Jr/YR- no news

-Awards- Pat Martin has a question regarding awards, we changed HOY awards so there are now six divisions...she donates three coolers, not willing to donate all six. Kathleen Fox makes a motion to spend 75/cooler for the three extra coolers, Michele Marden second, all in favor

-Banquet- no news

-PR- no news

-Finance- new by- laws state that the chapter clubs need to submit a financial statement. We need a fiscal year to give the chapter clubs. Financial statement from chapters needs to show income/expenses. TMDS will need to file a 990-N, an e-postcard to the IRS. Our fiscal year ends 12/31. The 990-N will be due 5/15. Bryn will email chapter clubs to have them prepare income/expense reports.

-Grievance-No News

#### New Business:

-Nonprofit status achieved! We have a bill in the PO Box from the accountant. We need to renew the PO Box for another six months.

-Pineland clinic- MDS members get a discount at \$95 per day. Becky will post an update on Facebook with prices.

-Scholarships- Board voted to award a \$250 scholarship to Becky for US dressage finals, thank you!

-Combined Omnibus Inquiry- SMDA wants to join forces and have a dual omnibus.

Laurie Lee makes a motion to say NO THANKS! Second by Elizabeth Owens. All in favor. Some discussion was had and felt a combined omnibus listing would just be confusing to memberships. Carol Poulin-Taylor drafted a letter in response to SMDA, Bryn Walsh will send to SMDA.

-Elections For president- Becky Reed and Elizabeth Owens nominated. Vote taken by ballot. Becky Reed elected to President. Bryn Walsh will take over as Secretary

#### Board Member check in

EMDA Rebecca Reed, Bryn Walsh, Michele Marden

WMDA Beth and Laura Brainerd, Pat Martin, Cassie Martin alt

CMDA Carol Poulin-Taylor, Selma Powers, Suzanne Crowell, Heather Webster alt.

NMDA Kathleen Fox, Lauren Taylor

At large Valerie Parent, Elizabeth Owens, Laurie Lee

Motion to adjourn made at 8:40 by Kathleen Fox, Pat Martin Second.