



**Wisconsin Dressage and Combined Training Association
(WDCTA)**

**State Board Meeting—Minutes
November 16, 2016 @ 7 pm**

Call to Order: Mary Hanneman, President 7:06 pm Location: Conference Call

Attendee	Y/No	Attendee	Y/No
President – Mary Hanneman	Y	SW Chapter President – Haley Madden	N
Vice President - Stephanie Severn	Y	SW Chapter Rep – Mary Hanneman	Y
Secretary – Melinda DeLuca	Y	SW Chapter Rep – Heather McManamy	Y
Treasurer – Angela Genin	Y	SW Chapter Rep (Alt) – DeAnn Howard	Y
Membership – Diane Brault	Y	KM Chapter President – Melinda DeLuca	Y
Newsletter – Caryn Vesperman	Y	KM Chapter Rep – Carol Hines - Stroede	Y
Webmaster- Stephanie Severn	Y	UP Chapter President – Kathy Caspary	Y
Member-At-Large – Nicki Butler	Y	Awards Chair– Marie Caldwell	N
Member-At-Large – Sue Genin	Y	JR/YR Rep – Katie Foster	N
Member-At-Large – Megan Dischler	Y	JR/YR Rep – Katrina Hiller	N
		Communications – Caryn Vesperman	Y
Central Chapter President – Vicki Hodel	Y	WI State Horse Council –Voting Director Vicki Hodel	Y
2017 Central Chapter President – Cari Schmidt	Y		

SW- Southwest, KM – Kettle Moraine, UP – Upper Peninsula

Agenda

Kathy moved to approve agenda, motion seconded by Diane and passed unanimously.

Reports

A. Treasurer— Angela

- Balance sheet currently shows a negative net income. Checking balance is \$20,474.

B. Secretary—Melinda DeLuca

- Nicki made a motion to approve September board minutes. Seconded by Carol. No discussion. Motion carried.

C. Membership—Diane Brault

- Membership list of 27 will be submitted to USDF before Dec 1, to comply with the annual GMO Affiliate Verification.
.Action item: Submit list. Post meeting note: Completed.

D. Governance—Mary Hanneman

- Bylaws – Proposed revisions in review.
- **Action Item:** Melinda and Stephanie continue work on bylaws.
- WDCTA survey results discussed. Points for more discussion include:
 1. Expanding our awards program to include gaited and western dressage – responses for and against split approx 50/50
 2. If we were to change our name, 47% like WDEA, 21% don't want name changed; 10% don't care or have other ideas
- **Action Item:** Mary to publish survey results in newsletter. Post meeting note: Completed.
- Approve 2017 slate of Board members – Nicki made a motion to approve the state board roster (without including the communications position) as presented. Motion seconded by Diane. Motion carried. No discussion.
- Budget items for 2017 **Action item:** Submit your budgets to Angela before the January board meeting.
- Board Succession planning – Both Treasurer and President positions will come available at the end of 2017. A transition plan for new treasurer to work with Angela during 2017 should be developed.
- USDF meeting – Mary will attend as our GMO representative. Mary is driving to St. Louis so Stephanie plans to attend with Mary and pay her own out-of-pocket expenses so they can cover more breakout sessions.
- The ethics policy was reviewed during the meeting as required by policy.

E. Website – Stephanie

- Paypal is working better as a result of the website upgrade.
- **Action item:** Chapter Presidents send updated information to Stephanie.

F. Newsletter – Caryn Vesperman

- Continued request for articles.

G. JR/YR Program

- Position is currently open.

H. Awards Program – Mary for Marie

- Scores are due in by November 30th.

I. Chapter Reports

- SW – planning Death by Chocolate holiday party, 3 Janet Foy clinics in 2017 and a symposium with eventer William Fox Pitt in Nov 2017.
- Central – voted officers.
- UP – Nothing to report for activities due to distance between member's homes.
- KM – planning annual Education Conference/Annual Meeting/Awards Banquet featuring a musical freestyle clinic and Tom Poulin clinic.

New Business

- A. WI State Horse Council Membership renewal for 2017- Carol made a motion to renew for 2017 at a cost of \$100. Seconded by Diane. Motion carried with no discussion. Megan Dischler volunteered to serve as voting Director.
- B. Member of the year nominations are due by Jan 31 to Melinda.

On Going Business

- A. Education Conference / Annual Meeting/ Awards – Plans continue by KM. **Action Item:** Publish in newsletter. Post Meeting note: Completed
- B. Midwest Horse Fair. Most of the riders are interested in returning. They will be looking for training facilities. SW and KM both approved sending Central \$100 to help cover costs. New members will be allowed to ride. Theme for the event is “Year of the Wonder Horse”. Nicki moved that the state provide Central \$900 for the MWHF representing WDCTA. Motion carried. No discussion. Vicki abstained from vote.
- C. Meeting dates – January 18 at 7 pm. **Action Item:** Develop online survey for other dates.

Adjournment

Kathy made motion to adjourn meeting, seconded by Nicki and passed unanimously.

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Melinda DeLuca, Secretary

Appendix

Approved WDCTA State Board Roster: Dec 1, 2016 – Nov 30, 2017

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Kettle Moraine Chapter Rep – Carol Hines-Stroede
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Committee Chairs:

Awards – Marie Caldwell

JR/YR Rep – open

Communications (WSHC Rep) – (not included in vote for officers)

Chapter Officers

Central Chapter Officers:

President – Cari Schmidt

Vice President – Tanya Schickowski

Treasurer – Taylor Schmidt

Secretary – Taylor Schmidt

Kettle Moraine Chapter Officers:

President -- Melinda DeLuca

Vice President – Becky Rutkowski

Secretary – Cindy Riffle

Treasurer – Jill Dearing

Chapter Rep – Carol Hines-Stroede

Southwest Chapter Officer:

President – Haley Madden

Vice President – Stephanie Severn

Secretary – Jessica Smith

Treasurer – Becky Bebbler Wells

Chapter Rep – Heather McManamy

Chapter Rep – Mary Hanneman

Alternate Chapter Rep – DeAnn Howard

UP Chapter Officers:

President – Kathy Caspary

Vice President – Ivy Barnhart

Secretary – Cathy Ruprecht

Treasurer – Tina Ozanich