



**Wisconsin Dressage and Combined Training Association  
(WDCTA)  
State Board Meeting—Minutes  
Nov 17, 2017 @ 7 pm**

**Call to Order: Mary Hanneman, President 7:05 pm Location: Conference Call**

<b>Attendee</b>	<b>Y/No</b>	<b>Attendee</b>	<b>Y/No</b>
President – Mary Hanneman	Y	SW Chapter President – Haley Madden	Y
Vice President - Stephanie Severn	Y	SW Chapter Rep – Mary Hanneman	Y
Secretary – Melinda DeLuca	Y	SW Chapter Rep – Heather McManamy	N
Treasurer – Denise Sobering	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	N	Awards Chair– Marie Caldwell	N
Member-At-Large – Sue Genin	Y	JR/YR Rep – Open	—
Member-At-Large – Megan Dischler	N	UP Chapter VP – Ivy Barnhart	N
Central Chapter President – Cari Schmidt	Y	Communications – Caryn Vesperman	Y
Southwest Member – Mary Barr	Y	WI State Horse Council –Megan Dischler	N

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

**Agenda**

Diane moved to approve agenda with the addition of USDF Convention being added, motion seconded by Kathy passing unanimously.

**Reports**

**A. Treasurer— Mary**

- Bank signature privileges for newly appointed Denise Sobering and newly elected Stephanie have not yet been completed.
- SW paid \$750 for insurance for the recent William Fox-Pitt clinic. Denise will work with SW Treasurer to transfer funds. Mary to provide Caryn and Denise information on the state account.

**B. Secretary—Melinda DeLuca**

- Oct minutes were approved electronically as noted in the Oct minutes in a post meeting note.

**C. Membership—Mary**

- Need to work on ideas to increase membership. One resource for tools is USDF website. **Action Item:** Diane to send to Mary Barr information for Young Riders.  
**Post Meeting Note:** completed

#### D. Governance—Mary Hanneman

- Nicki Butler, Sue Genin and Carol Hines-Stroede have been elected Members-at-Large.
- Carol moved to elect slate of State Board members as presented and Denise seconded. The position of WSHC representative remains open. Motion was approved unanimously. (List of Board members in addendum.)  
**Post meeting note:** Cindy Anderson agreed to be WSHC representative.
- Standard of Conduct was reviewed per policy in the November meeting.
- Updated Social Media policy – Caryn and Stephanie. The proposed social media policy (see addendum) was presented. Clinics advertised in the newsletter that are not WDCTA do not need to be labeled “non-WDCTA” or need to be labeled as “advertisement”.. Cari moved to approve the proposed social media policy update with the deletion of “or website”. Motion was seconded by Carol and passed unanimously. **Action item:** Melinda to include in policy document for posting on website.

#### E. Website – Stephanie Severn

- Some phishing has been occurring on the website. Issue is being worked on.

#### F. Newsletter – Caryn Vesperman

- Ideas for articles may include individual 2018 goals or USDF competitor standings.

#### G. JR/YR Program – Mary Barr

- Mary has been involved with 4-H and is a full time Math & Science teacher. We are looking forward to Mary’s leadership in this area.

#### H. Awards Program

- No update.

#### I. Chapter Reports

- SW
  1. The clinic William Fox-Pitt went smoothly. Local media picked up the story. Work is in progress to complete all the paperwork.
  2. “Death by Chocolate” get-together being planned.
- Central – developing ideas for a social event.
- UP – nothing to report.
- KM
  1. Planning for state awards banquet.
  2. Social event get-together watching a webinar on colic.

#### J. WI State Horse Council

- No report

#### **New Business**

- USDF 2017 Annual Conference will be in region 2 – Lexington, KY

- Stephanie will put together basket from money donated by Central, KM and state money.
- Travel, lodging and registration budget is estimated at \$1,500.
- Wisconsin State Horse Council Renewal
  - Carol moved to approve the \$100 membership renewal. Denise seconded. Motion carried with no discussion.

### **On Going Business**

- A. 2017 Education Conference/Annual Meeting/Awards Banquet – KM planning a Dec chapter meeting for further development of ideas.
- B. Midwest Horse Fair – Cari
  - Application form is available for 3 different levels of jumping and dressage.
- C. 2017 Meeting dates – Stephanie will develop for 2018 with an online poll.

### **Adjournment**

Carol made motion to adjourn meeting, seconded by Diane passing unanimously.  
Minutes respectfully submitted by: Melinda DeLuca

### **Addendum:**

#### Elected State Board

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 Kettle Moraine Chapter President – Melinda DeLuca  
 UP Chapter President – Kathy Caspary  
 Central Chapter President – Cari Schmidt  
 Past President – Mary Hanneman

#### Committee Chairs:

Awards – Marie Caldwell  
 JR/YR Rep – Mary Barr  
 Communications (WSHC Rep) – Cindy Anderson (*added as post meeting note*)

#### Updated Social Media Policy

*WDCTA has both a 'group' and a business 'page' on Facebook. WDCTA welcomes comments on both from all visitors-- our members and the general public. To provide additional member benefits, ONLY MEMBERS can post UNPAID notices of shows, clinics, or other activities hosted/organized by a WDCTA member.*

*Members cannot post notices on behalf of a non-member. These posts are allowed in the WDCTA Facebook 'group' only (not on the business 'page').*

*WDCTA will not advertise private clinics or private events on its Facebook 'group' or 'page' for non-members unless a PAID advertisement is placed in the WDCTA eQuester newsletter, at which time a one-time post promoting the advertised event will be allowed in the WDCTA Facebook 'group.' Advertising of items for sale is not allowed in the Facebook 'group' or 'page'. All unpaid, non-member postings about private events, or items for sale, will be removed by a WDCTA Facebook administrator.*

*WDCTA will allow a reasonable number of posts to their Facebook 'group' for WDCTA-recognized schooling shows and all WDCTA sponsored clinics and events.*

*WDCTA will add dates and locations for WDCTA-recognized schooling shows to its website calendar. Non-WDCTA-sponsored events can only be promoted with PAID advertising in the eQuester. ~~or website.~~*

### Website Dates for Reference

- [Wldressage.com](http://Wldressage.com) – March 17 2021
- [WIDdressage.org](http://WIDdressage.org) – March 17, 2021
- [Wisconsindresage.com](http://Wisconsindresage.com) – March 17, 2021
- [Wisconsindressage.org](http://Wisconsindressage.org) – March 17, 2021
- [Wdcta.org](http://Wdcta.org) – January 4, 2021