



**Wisconsin Dressage and Combined Training Association
(WDCTA)
State Board Meeting—Minutes
Sept 19, 2017 @ 7 pm**

Call to Order: Mary Hanneman, President 7:05 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	N	SW Chapter Rep (Alt) – DeAnn Howard	Y
Membership – Diane Brault	N	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	Y
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
Member/Guest – Denise Sobering		WI State Horse Council –Megan Dischler	N

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

Agenda

Stephanie moved to approve agenda, motion seconded by Kathy passing unanimously.

Reports

A. Treasurer— Mary

- Financial report provided by Angela prior to the meetings shows a checking balance of \$20,797.
- Fraudulent/phishing emails to State Board Officers are originating from information found on WDCTA website.

B. Secretary—Melinda DeLuca

- Carol made a motion to approve the May minutes of meetings. Kathy seconded. Motion carried.

C. Membership—Mary

- Year-to-date membership at 138, 195 in 2016. Reason for decline is not known. Currently two other USDF GMOs in Wisconsin (West WI and NEWDA).
- USDF will increase its participating member dues for 2018 (including regular, youth, 5-year, lifetime & business). This will NOT impact GMO membership dues.

D. Governance—Mary Hanneman

- Nominating Committee – Caryn and Kathy
 - Caryn will continue as newsletter editor.
 - Stephanie as webmaster.
 - Denise will become Treasurer
 - Stephanie will be nominated as President.
- October meeting will vote for President; new President will present new 2018 Board for vote in Nov
- Member-at-Large: Both Nicki and Sue will run again.
- Chapter nominations for Member-at-large need to be sent to Mary by Oct 15th.
- Policy Update needed to clarify paid versus unpaid clinic advertising. **Action Item:** Stephanie and Caryn will draft

E. Website – Stephanie Severn

- Software updates have been completed.
- WDCTA recognized Schooling shows may be advertised on WDCTA Facebook. Marie as Awards chair approves show recognition requests.

F. Newsletter – Caryn Vesperman

- **Action Item:** Mary to provide information on elections for Oct newsletter. Completed.

G. JR/YR Program – no report

- Position is currently open. Need suggestions for possible candidate.

H. Awards Program

- No update. Mary volunteered to help Marie purchase awards after she completes her term as President.

I. Chapter Reports

- SW – planning symposium with eventer William Fox-Pitt Nov 4 & 5, 2017.
- Central – Oct 7th ends the schooling show series. Wautoma show joining with County 4H show. Started planning for MidWest Horse Fair.
- UP – hosting a “progressive” Orrie DeCastor clinic – moving from barn to barn
- KM – October meeting planned.

J. WI State Horse Council

- No report

New Business

- USDF 2017 Annual Conference will be in region 2 – Lexington, KY.
 - Caryn made motion to approve donating up to \$500 for decorations/table gifts for the banquet . Kathy seconded. Unanimously approved. No discussion.
- New Conference Line – will need a new line at end year.
Action Item: Melinda to set up trial for free conference calls.
- Reviewed proposal for Dressage Shows Online but Board not in favor . Concerns about videoing a ride at your farm is not the level of difficulty as showing on show grounds. It would also be difficult to ensure video edits are not used.

Action item: Mary asked Chapter Presidents to ask opinions of members.

On Going Business

- A. 2017 Education Conference/Annual Meeting/Awards Banquet – need to start planning which chapter will host the event.
- B. Midwest Horse Fair – Cari
 - Developing list for specific volunteer activities. Total of 10 minutes is allowed for demonstrations. Feedback from the demonstrations is that they want to see higher level horses.
- C. Newly elected President will attend USDF annual convention.
- D. 2017 Meeting dates – Oct 17, Nov 15; all at 7 pm Central Time.

Adjournment

Caryn made motion to adjourn meeting, seconded by Stephanie and passed unanimously.

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Melinda DeLuca

Oct 12, 2017: Post-Meeting Electronic Business

Angela notified Mary on Oct 11 that she will resign as State Treasurer, effective immediately. On Oct 12, Mary appointed Denise Sobering to replace Angela as State Treasurer, effective immediately. Angela and Denise will work together to transfer access to State treasury accounts to Denise as soon as possible.