

NCDA Board Meeting and General Meeting, March 13, 2024

In attendance: Laura Speer-President, Denise Morrison-Vice President, Andrea Chirich-Secretary, Lynn Ahern-Treasurer, Susie Reed

Meeting called to order 6:05 pm on Zoom.

Laura Speer asked for acceptance of February Meeting Minutes. Accepted by Denise Morrison and seconded by Lynn Ahern. All approved.

Laura Speer asked for review of Treasurers report. There was discussion of automatic charges we are paying annually to two companies and whether these charges are needed and services the club is still using. Go Daddy is \$42.34 and Square Space renews in June for \$276.00. Lynn Ahern will get with Kelly McGhee who manages the webpage for NCDA to check on need for these charges. Due diligence topic. The Treasurer's report was approved.

Business on the Ride A Test, April 27th at Kathy Coulson's. Kathy Coulson has signed the contract for us to use her facility. Lynn will get the contract to Laura Speer for filing. Julie Haugen's signed contract for judging is filed. The event secretary, Didi Dekrey, sent information that we have 6 riders signed up, and vaccinations and coggins are still being updated for some riders. Many want to have vaccinations done later in April to ensure they are still within the 6 month window for current vaccinations if they qualify and attend RMDS championships or any show in late September, early October.

The Learn to Show Program, organized by Denise Morrison and Joan Clay is moving forward. Denise has all of the materials from Grand Valley's successful Learn to Show program. Grand Valley found the materials, copies, handouts for participants to be the most costly and time consuming part of the program and we greatly appreciate Grand Valley sharing their program with us. Denise and Joan will continue to work on putting the program together. More to come on the April meeting update.

Our March Social Gathering, to take the place of the NCDA Used Tack Sale we have held the last 3 years, will be at Sweet Heart Winery in Loveland. Our vision is a fun, relaxed, social event, and a recruiting opportunity to introduce new people to NCDA. We encourage advertising the event at area barns. Andrea will work to schedule a date at Sweet Heart Winery either on March 28th or April 4th, both Thursdays. Best times was decided 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm. We can have up to 30 attendees. RSVPs will be needed. Andrea Chirich to sponsor snacks through her business, Kentwood Real Estate. Laura Speer has generously offered to help cover cost of food if we have a full turnout. Beverages, both alcoholic and non-alcoholic, will be available for purchase by attendees. **Update: Event will be Thursday, April 4th!!**

The Goal Setting Group continues to meet on the last Wednesday of the month. 3-5 attendees are usually on the call. The group is enjoying sharing progress on weekly activities towards goals, and sharing ideas with each other. The group would welcome more participants!

Board Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm.

General Meeting called to order by Laura Speer at 6:33 pm. Attendees were same as for Board Meeting at 6:00 pm.

Laura Speer had on her agenda space for "horsey news" so members can share upcoming events or barn information with other club members. Laura shared that Redefine was hosting a schooling show that coming weekend. Discussion followed that eventing barns could be good connections for NCDA to be helpful and grow membership.

With no new people from those that joined at 6:00 pm, there was no need to go over any prior information so the General Meeting was short.

General Meeting Adjourned at 6:42 pm.