Minutes for the September NCDA meeting

September 13, 2023 Call to order: 6:36pm Attendance: Didi D., Silja K., Andrea C., Kelly M.

Announce elections:

VP and secretary are up for election starting Jan 1, 2024; this is the first announcement. Andrea will send out a mail chip that asks for volunteers. Didi (current VP) and Kelly (current secretary) will not be seeking reelection for 2024.

Didi still willing to be show secretary

Kelly still willing to help with website

Andrea still willing to do communications

Treasure Report:

Main account: \$7,444.99 PayPal account: \$50.00 Rainy Day account: \$3,000

Schooling Show

Didi reported that we had a financially successful second show and everyone agreed it was successful in more than financial ways.

Used Tack Sale

We have done it 3 years in a row. The last two years have had plenty of people who want to sell but not enough non-sellers coming in to buy. Should we skip a year?

A discussion happened about different ideas that might bring buyers from the community in. It was decided to take this year and make it a wine and cheese social event. While we might have educational events to draw more people in, there is no pressure to make money just to have fun- something for members to look forward to in the winter blues.

A couple of venues were put forth: Blue Mountain Vineyards in Berthoud (no charge for party but might be too south) and Sweetheart Winery (they charge). Andrea will do some fact finding on this with help from Didi as needed. Andrea's business will still sponsor the event.

Holiday Party

Origins is closed so need a new venue.

Suggestions:

- *Longhorns Steak House (Fort Collins) that has a nice area for about 15 people
- *The Moot House (Fort Collins)
- *a members house (Didi is willing but is far north; Andrea is willing but is far east)
- *Berthoud Activity Center (maybe too far south)

Andrea will send out a mail chip asking members their thoughts and for suggestions (including people's homes)

Meeting adjured 7:18pm