

## **Minutes Of The TSDS Board Meeting**

**March 21, 2018**

Call To Order: Meeting was called to order at 6:15 pm at L'Italiano Restaurant in Bossier City, LA.

Board member present were Gwen Swambom, Sam Luttrell, Marsha Murray, Lisa Phillips, Grace Sharplin, Tracy Hewlett, Michelle Burgoyne, Rhonda Davis, Yvette Harrell, Carla Johnston, Amy Rokaw.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of March 10, 2018 meeting were approved.

Discussion of Old Business: Treasurer Report \$7973.76 checkbook balance, Dressage Show accounting submitted

Committee Reports:

### **Programs/Activities**

1. May 19- Masterson Massage Technique demonstration by TeAh Phoenix.
2. Prix Caprilli Test offered at May show, contact hunter barns about it.
3. Lead Line and Coaching permitted dressage classes offered.
4. Ride A Test Clinic with Barbara Lewis in November or December

### **Show Committee**

1. May show- Beth and Carla are organizers
2. Show secretary needs to be in office early on show day to check in riders

### **Publicity Committee**

1. Carla – articles written and submitted to many sources. We have been published in Ruston newspaper and LA Equine Council newsletter.

Old Business:

1. Add year end ribbons to the awards at banquet
2. Show entry form is now fillable online or can be downloaded and emailed
3. Online payments- Venmo would need a club app. PayPal is a better option.
4. Raffle had a positive result and comments

5. TSDS Bucks not to be used for the banquet. Clarify online what they can be used for. Riders should be instructed to keep their volunteer form and turn it in with their entry.
6. Volunteer check in place needs to be marked with signs.
7. Bill Woods clinic will be at Holly Hill on Sunday and Wildwood on Monday.
8. Concessions for May 5 show will be Jimbeaux's and they will have a Mexican theme for Cinco de Mayo day.
9. Century Club supported by TSDS and we will have Dee Drudge doing in this year.

#### New Business:

1. Survey- sent to 177 emails, results were handed out and briefly looked over. Suggestions on survey discussed like using another show venue such as arena in Ruston or Monroe. There is an therapeutic riding center near Ruston that could be used for clinics. No overnight stabling there.
2. Symposiums- grants available through USDF for Ride A Test clinics, etc.
3. Online forms updates- expense report, team competition, entry form
4. Used tack and clothes sale at the shows
5. Annual Banquet scheduled for January 12, 2019.
6. Tack Shop at the shows- ask Hanna Gamble
7. USDF University Awards and Medals- do something similar on a club level
8. September show dressage judge cancelled , try to get Richard or Susan Howard
9. Try for a rated show next year?
10. Board meetings in May, June, or July on a week day?
11. Grace Sharplin suggestions- dressage obstacle course, dressage camp, Halloween costume contest
12. Educational activities- have them at lunch time at the shows, demo's of braiding, clipping, show prep, wrapping, lameness check, health info.

Adjourned at 8 pm.

Submitted by Tracy Hewlett, VP

