

Kansas City Dressage Society  
Board Meeting Minutes  
February 2, 2009  
Stoney Meadow Farm, Bonner Springs, KS

Present: Carol Davis, Aless Hall, Cindy Fletcher, Beth Springer, Deb Gregoire, Meghan Nichols, Radie & Peggy Keller, Katie Beth DeSchepper, Janet Blauvelt, Margene Swarts, Maggie Stonecipher, Karin Glynn, Linda Landers, Elizabeth Burgess, Wendy McGraw, Mary Forck, Heather Jones, Nancy Gorton, Nina Fricke

Janet Blauvelt called the meeting to order at 7:16 p.m. Thank you to Peggy Keller who provided refreshments from the awards social.

The January 5, 2009 minutes were presented. Katie Beth DeSchepper moved to approve the minutes, Nancy Gorton seconded. Motion passed.

Maggie Stonecipher presented the treasurer's report using a new report format, copy attached. She said an accountant has audited the 2008 monthly reports. All details are available from Maggie or Janet.

Operating Fund Month ending Jan. 30 <sup>th</sup>	
Beginning balance	\$33,234
Receipts for month	+8,693
Disbursements for month	<u>-8,860</u>
Ending balance	\$33,067
Endowment fund principal	\$11,000

Standing Committee Reports:

Activities/Hospitality – Peggy Keller. Peggy presented an income & expense statement from the KCDS Awards social, copy attached. Income was \$885 which included \$80 in vouchers, Expense was \$1,062.66. Raffle income was \$1779. She felt everything went well. She will continue to do hospitality through the March show & the instructor certification. Then a new hospitality person is needed. Appreciation for all her hard work was expressed by the board & guests! Janet congratulated the team that put on the awards event.

Education – Beth Springer. CPR/First Aid training will be held Feb 7<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 9 AM. This program is required for people going through Instructor certification. The cost is \$55 to be paid to the Red Cross. She is exploring a freestyle clinic for later in the year. Interest has been shown in a program on sports psychology. She will contact local people who may be able to present. Members have asked about a scribing workshop. Kathy Childs has offered to teach such a program. Contact Beth if interested in participating. Nina suggested that prospective scribes could practice at a schooling show.

Instructor's Certification Program update–Kindra Wilson. No report.

Membership – Aless Hall. There are 153 members with 22 juniors & 15 new members.

Committee Chair Reports:

Awards & Schooling Shows – Cindy Fletcher. Maggie Stonecipher compiled a summary of KCDS year end awards with recommendations for changes from a meeting held Oct.6, 2008. A motion from the horse show committee was made to accept these recommendations with the following changes: 4 scores needed from the highest test of the level from 3 or more shows. No 2<sup>nd</sup> was required since the motion came from a committee. Passed. Details will be sent to Staci Meyer to be printed. Cindy reports that

the awards presentation went well with good feedback. She will write an instruction manual for the next awards chairperson including a time frame & resources. Tabulating scores by the awards chairman was difficult, so she recommended that we go back to people sending in their scores.

Historian/Web Site – Meghan Nichols. She is updating information on the website. Pictures from the awards banquet were taken. She encourages members to send her photos of their accomplishments to be included on the website. She was thanked for her work on the photos & power point presentation for the awards banquet.

Horse Show –Janet Blauvelt. Janet reported that the next meeting is Feb. 23 at 6:00p. Heather Jones offered that their EMT service meets the USEF requirements & is less expensive.

Sponsorships – Katie Beth DeSchepper. \$1,065 has been received, which is quite a reduction from previous years. The deadline was extended to Feb. 7th. Some gifts in kind have been received. She would like to thank Pernille Andree & Stanley Bank for increasing their sponsorship levels.

Sport Horse/Topeka Chapter – Deb Gregoire. MidAmerican SportHorse Association will hold a breed show qualifier & finals on Sat., Aug. 29<sup>th</sup> for the Mid-States Breed Show Series. It will be at White Fox Manor in Olathe, KS.

Directory – Aless Hall, Staci Meyer, Katie Beth DeSchepper. Information for the directory is due by Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> for members & sponsors.

#### Unfinished Business:

The following board and committee positions are unfilled: By-laws chair, communications chair, finance chair, member at large, also the sponsorship chair and hospitality after March. Meg Hawthorne has withdrawn from her board position. Please send any suggestions to Janet Blauvelt.

#### New Business

Kids Camp discussion: A proposal for a new format was presented by Maggie Stonecipher. Laurie Hedlund, instructor, would present a weekend Symposium format to be held at Stoney Meadow Farm. She has presented similar programs in the past. A proposed budget was presented. Linda Landers moved that the proposal be accepted, Katie Beth DeSchepper 2<sup>nd</sup>. Passed. Maggie Stonecipher, Peggy Keller, Aless and Jackie Hall, Carol Davis will continue to work on the program. The camp is geared to junior riders 12-18 & has spaces for 10 riders & others to audit. There will be an application form, with priority given to KCDS members. There was a request to have an opening & closing date for applications. The form will be put online and an article will be written for the newsletter. There was a deposit paid to reserve Longview for the kids' camp for 2009. Janet will check to see if it can be transferred to either the May or October show.

#### Calendar Reminders

March Extension deadline – February 15  
Next Board Meeting – March 2, 7:00p, Stoney Meadow  
March hostess – Amy Stuhr

Adjournment. Katie Beth DeSchepper moved that we adjourn at 8:30 p.m., Maggie Stonecipher 2<sup>nd</sup>, Passed.