

28 May

NTEA Meeting Minutes Las Colinas Equestrian Center

Minutes prepared and submitted by Stacey Quarles

Attending: Tanya Ewalt (TE), Stacey Quarles (SQ), Amanda Harp (AH), Karen Askew (KA), Meg Johnson (MJ) Present by phone, Christie Tull (CT)joined at 12:55.

Prior to making Quorum Amanda Harp introduced herself to the board and will be joining the organization and would like to be considered for a Membership at Large position. She is a trainer a mother and works with the Brunson family at the Texas Rose Horse Park. The TRHP will be working toward putting on a Combined Test and adding some elements of Cross Country.

Call to Order at 12:24

Secretary: Stacey motioned to approve minutes as submitted Tanya seconded, Stacey will submit

Treasurer:Nicole Scherer, all signers not current Board Members were taken off the account, NS is the sole signator at the present, 2719.02 at 0.5% interest CD, approximately on 18,500.00. KA recommended looking into a combined CD/Checking to bring a better interest rate through Wells Fargo. NS also had picked up mail and distributed to the appropriate parties, m'ship, points etc. if parties were not present it will be mailed. NS had assistance from her accountant to rectify the 2008 treasury reports, with entering to QuickBooks and asked that the CPA's 121.78 fees be added to budget to cover the costs. Also NS filed appropriate Taxes and the related not for profit paperwork for 2008 taxes. Budget is of utmost priority now that we have had the books put into order with NS great efforts. NS will send Board Members the 2008 Profit Loss Statements and what the QuickBooks shows as the actual.

Activites :Lori Calame is on handling the Robin Walker Clinic and will update at the next meeting.

Educational Activites:

Membership: SQ Rc'vd on behalf of Mandy a new biz membership SQ will scan and send to Howard and Mandy. MK submitted a report via e-mail with our confirmed m-ship at 135 at the time of report. NS had 6 other forms now in the mail. SQ will help make a spreadsheet of past members to call and divide it up for the board to personally touch base with these past membership. SQ will check with Mandy to be sure that we have the board give the Directory a final edit.

Website: Public Relations: SQ Motioned that AH join as a membership at large and TW seconded. AH will also be able to provide backup to AK for public relations. The physical address needs to be added to the website Stacey will send an e-mail to Howard M. to ask that this be put there.

Jr. YR Representative:

CT is looking to step down from the position and gave feedback as to how the past educational opportunities have worked in the past. Feedback was given as well about the high number of

opportunities available on the same weekend that have pulled a lot of juniors etc. in opposite directions. There is a larger number of venues offering clinicing and unrecognized opportunities. So CT recommends going to Colleges in the area with riding opportunities to bring there teams to an eventing venue and offer them the opportunity to ride around in a dressage arena, an xc field or a sj arena. She brought up the point that there is now Intercollegiate or NCAA eventing program. "Invite riders to set hoof on eventing terrain." One reason she brings this forward is that GWF is the only Metroplex eventing venues. Overall the idea is for an outreach to introduce it to people who are already capable riders for an alternative function. AH has coached a number of different teams and offered some insight to how the difference with donated horses might bear on the suggestion, and to be sure to clarify that it's a sort of fun day with a trail ride option.

1:05 Karen Turned the meeting over to Meg.

Scholarships:

Scholarship Committee- Tabled pending the clarification of budget. Lynne Partridge and Becky Brown will be committee members.

Finished Business: SQ motioned CT seconded that we approve the appointment of AH and TE as Ad-Hoc committee members to help handle the overload of work in our endeavors.

SQ motioned for payment for CT ad in Spring and KA Seconded.

The June Meeting is Saturday June 20th at Denton Creek Farm Time TBD

Unfinished Business:

Board members will research the Bylaws to see how adding more at large positions will impact our ability to make quorum.

Nick Larkin Camp was approved for a \$500.00 contribution for defraying the costs of the Clinician. Meg will verify that this is okay.

Meg will update Mandy on the Paint Horse program so it may run in the next newsletter.

Meeting Adjourned: 1:48 pm