

MINUTES OF ALASKA DRESSAGE ASSOCIATION'S FEBRUARY 2007 MEETING

PRESIDENT: SUSIE KAISER, 346-2351	SEC'Y.: MARY KAYE HESSION, 345-1090
VICE-PRESIDENT: MARTI MILLER, 694-6123, 786-7437 (w)	SHOW COMM.: JENNIFER LUNDBERG, 301-2738
TREASURER: RAENA SCHRAER, 830-9882	AWARDS: RAENA SCHRAER, 830-9882
PROMOTIONS/FUNDRAISING: PEGGY BOWKER, 373-2330	OMNIBUS EDITOR: LINDA KELLEY, 746-5994
JUNIOR BOARD: SARAH COHEN, 345-9074	JUNIOR BOARD: SHELBBIE FREDENHAGEN

Attendance: The February 26, 2006 ADA board meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with a quorum of Susie Kaiser, Peggy Bowker, Marti Miller, Linda Kelley, Mary Kaye Hession, Sarah Cohen, and Shelbie Fredenhagen. Raena Schraer and Jennifer Lundberg could not attend.

Minutes: The January 2007 meeting minutes were approved.

Treasurer's report: Raena Schraer was out of town but had emailed a treasury summary showing current assets of \$13,624.78. However, that did not include checks Susie Kaiser had just written: \$100 to the Anchorage Horse Council, which we think zeroes out our 2006 arena rentals; \$500 to the AHC for a deposit toward 2007 rentals; and \$150 for ASH show recognition.

ASH Dressage Medal rule changes: Linda Kelley forwarded our immediate rule change recommendation (to count 100% of the competitor's scores, not just the top 80%), to ASH dressage representative Sharon Sadlon. ASH received it but questioned the need to make the change, as "it wouldn't have changed last year's results." Linda emphasized we knew that, but we still feel it is essential to clarify how the results are calculated. She will check with Sharon on the status of our proposal. We can then begin work on the rest of our recommendations.

Show committee:

- Susie Kaiser reported that Carolyn Schultz will be back in town tonight. She will check with Carolyn to set up the next show committee meeting.
- We need to inventory our ribbons and awards (stored at the Chamberlin Center) so we can order the additional stock we need for 2007.
- We will recommend that the Anchorage Horse Council schooling shows offer dressage classes in May and July rather than May and June.
- Linda Kelley posed a number of questions that had arisen as she updated last year's *Omnibus* for 2007. Among others, the board decided on our "late post entry fees" and that if a show is cancelled (e.g. due to bad weather), refund requests will need to be filed within 10 days rather than 30.
- If anyone finds potential *Omnibus* advertisers, we should work with those advertisers directly to get their copy to Linda by mid-March.

- Deana Johnson will be our clinic coordinator. We'll charge \$110 for the May and June clinics.
- Mary Kaye Hession will come up with an address to RSVP for our Anne Appleby lecture at Gallo's, or Susie Kaiser is willing to serve as the contact point.

Membership outreach:

- The February newsletter has gone out. The next issue will need to advertise the spring meeting, whose details are yet to be determined.
- Peggy Bowker has signed copies of our fundraising letter ready for any of us to send out to potential donors. She needs the full list of last year's sponsors (only 2007 sponsors are on our website now).

AHC news: Susie Kaiser met with the Anchorage Horse Council's Lori Hackenberger and Lori Carr and reported the following:

- Proposition 8 (for a long-term lease of Ruth Arcand Park to the Anchorage Horse Council and Rainbow Connection) will be on the Anchorage ballot on April 3.
- The AHC doesn't have a show manager yet. Susie suggested the Kornegays might be willing to do it. If not, we'll need to help AHC find a manager.
- They agree with us that the big trailer by the dressage arena is unattractive, leaky, and not suitable as a show office. It was originally donated to the AHC, but AHC spent \$5,000 to move it. (Anita Reeder may buy it as a construction trailer, which would help in cost recovery.) AHC is willing to spend another \$3,000 to \$5,000 on a suitable relocatable building to replace it. The search resumes.
- They agree that the dressage arena blocks (the bollards that support the plastic planks) need replacing. Susie's research showed that the blocks are still available at \$20 each; the "Lori's" authorized her to go ahead with the purchase.

Next meeting: The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m. Our next meeting will be Monday, March 26 at 6 p.m. at Huffman.