

MINUTES OF ALASKA DRESSAGE ASSOCIATION'S MAY 2008 MEETING

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Attendance: The May 19, 2008 ADA board meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m. with a quorum of Charlene Cohen, Peggy Bowker, Linda Kelley, Marti Miller, Mary Kaye Hession, Raena Schraer, Shelby Fredenhagen, and Victoria Fredenhagen. Carolyn Schultz and Susan Ritter also attended. Sarah Cohen was not present.

Minutes: The April 2008 meeting minutes were approved as corrected.

Treasurer's report: Raena Schraer reported ADA has \$17,700.56 in the bank, but checks for the show office building and show insurance haven't been presented yet. Raena said we earned \$880 at the Anne Appleby clinic but lost approximately \$500 on the May schooling show and the evening lecture. We may need to reinstate the \$15 dressage administrative fee for the schooling show (or ask for part of the \$5 fee that the Anchorage Horse Council collects), and skip the dinner-lecture unless there's a specific topic to address.

Show committee:

- The show committee welcomes Susan Ritter as our show manager for our June show and perhaps August. The rules require her to be a USEF and USDF member. We'll reimburse the cost of her USEF membership and list her as an ADA member, which includes USDF membership.
- The footing turned out great for the May schooling show despite the recent snowfall. People enjoyed themselves and the show ran smoothly thanks to Susie Merritt, Britany Kaiser, Carolyn Schultz, new scorer Debbie Wilson, scribe Jennifer McLeod, and of course construction experts "the Jims."
- We need to get together to download our Fox Village show management software to show secretary Britany's computer and get it working before the June show.
- Food booth arrangements are up in the air (Margo and Scott might run the booth as they did last year). Susan will check with Lori Carr on this.
- Carolyn distributed a spreadsheet of show tasks and possible volunteers to fulfill them. Raena reported she has sent out feelers for scribes. Sarah Cohen and Shelby Fredenhagen agreed to put together the rider packets. We'll have a work party June 4, 6:30 p.m. at Susie Merritt's house.

- One of our members wants to show at PSG next year. Our 2009 judges have not yet been hired; possibly we could find “S” judges (who can judge FEI classes) at a reasonable cost. In that case this member could work with Deana Johnson to see what we’d need to do to offer a PSG class, or better yet she could come to a show committee meeting with a proposal.

Membership outreach: We should do another *Centerline* issue after our June show (with results from that show plus the schooling show) and before the July schooling show.

ASH dressage rules: Carolyn Schultz said that no one commented on the ASH dressage rule change proposal, which had been published in the May *Centerline*. The consensus was that the proposal is ready to submit to ASH. As a June agenda item, we should look at the ASH recording and membership forms to see how the rider declaration (Jr/YR, AA, or neither) would fit in.

AHC/WCCEC:

- Our new dressage building is in place and looks great. It needs white paint outside and white stain inside; Linda Kelley volunteered to take charge of this with a \$200 budget. It also needs furniture. The board decided to buy a shelving unit from Susie Merritt for \$65, and a friend of Susie’s will give us a desk, table and chair as a charitable donation. Furnishings should be kept basic for now; we may need a screen curtain so we can keep the double doors open, and shades or shutters for the windows for security.
- We don’t yet know who will manage the Anchorage Horse Council’s annual show, and the prize list is not out. After or at our June show, we should try to get final decisions from Lori Carr and Lori Hackenberger. Even if the rest of the show doesn’t materialize, ADA could offer to run the dressage part, but we’d need to submit the prize list for review 30 days before the show’s mid-July dates.
- Mary Kaye will e-mail Lori Hackenberger about our need for electrical power near the dressage building (meantime we’ll make do with a long extension cord from the barn area).
- Our arena bases are not wind-stable and need some type of horse-safe anchorage, perhaps lag bolts with washers.

Next meeting: The meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m. The next board meeting will be Monday, June 23 at 6 p.m., tentatively at Chamberlin.