ADA Board Meeting, March 2, 2016—Minutes

Attendance: Jennifer Spencer (Pres), Karen Duplantis (Vice Pres), Marti Miller (Sec), Charlene Cohen (Treas); Senior Board—Ardene Eaton, Erika Kelsey and Jeff Ritter; Junior Board—Hannah Haghighi; Guests—Kathy Haghighi and Raena Schraer. (Lauren Eaton—Junior Board was unable to attend).

Meeting Place: Kaladi Brothers Coffee on Brayton Drive

Start time: 6:08 PM

Minutes: Approved minutes from February 3, 2016 Board meeting, as written

Treasurer's Report

- Current Balance: \$12,310.65
- AHC returned ADA's deposit checks from 2015 show season; the lateness may be due to the fact that they do not currently have a Treasurer
- 2015 IRS Tax filing is complete
- Show Insurance Forms for 2016 have been requested
- Ribbons for 2016 have been ordered
- Airfares for 2016 Judge Trena Atkins and TD Debbie Moloznik have been paid

2016 Omnibus:

- Board has decided to Go Green and post the Omnibus on-line only; no hard copies will be published
- Other changes will be instituted including fee changes as follows: Stall Cleaning Deposit \$50 (up from \$20); Late Entry \$10 per class (down from \$20 per class); Office Fee \$25 (up from \$20); Incomplete Entry \$25 (up from \$20); eliminate "Late-Post Entries fees"—too confusing
- Letter designators for rider type on Class List will be changed from "A, B, or C" to "O, J, or A" to designate Open, Jr/Young Rider, or Adult Amateur, respectively
- The new USEF vaccination policy statement (for Equine Influenza and Equine Herpes) will be added to the Omnibus
- Now that the Omnibus will be on-line only, Marti will check with Linda Kelley to see what the deadline is for submitting changes/advertisements
- We still need to check whether some of the advertisers from 2015 will have ads in the 2016 Omnibus: Diamond H Ranch (Jennifer will check); Hillside Dressage (who will check with Carolyn?); Dutch Touch (Karen will check); EP Roofing (Ardene will confirm); Karen will have a second ad for brow bands

Summer show season 2016:

- Ellen Boyce will be the Show Secretary for July Jubilee I (July 15-16). Hooray! That was our only missing official so we have judges, TD's, show managers, and show secretaries locked down now
- Sabrieta Holland will be the show vet for July Jubilee I (July 15-16) and July Jubilee II (July 17). We still need the remaining show vets and farriers
- The contact person for ASH recognized show forms is the Show Manager: Susan Ritter for ADA Spring Festival and July Jubilee II; Jennifer Spencer for July Jubilee I and ADA's Biggest Event Ever

USDF item:

• Nominations for the members of the USDF Adult Clinic Rider Selection panel are due by tonight (March 2). Jennifer will ask if Carolyn Schultz will be on the panel to represent Alaska

Spring Meeting:

- Jennifer would like to hold the Spring Meeting at Kinleys on April 23 or 30. She will check on availability. They serve a nice lunch and have a back room convenient for our meeting
- Other organizations such as ASH could have an info table

Other items:

- Anne Hancock will offer Show Secretary training. Jennifer Spencer, Ellen Boyce, Char Cohen, and Ardene Eaton have expressed interest in participating
- A new Ribbon Subcommittee will be formed to advise the Board on ribbons, prizes, and sweatshirts. Volunteers for said committee include: Karen, Char, Raena, and Ardene. They plan to meet at 6 pm on March 17
- Hannah checked with Dana Eaton regarding bit restrictions for overlapping Hunter/Jumper and Dressage shows (bits that may be allowed in the former may be illegal in the latter). Dana said that it should not be a problem provided all are aware of the restrictions and when they are crossing from one show to the other
- Hannah also reported that construction projects are scheduled at the Chamberlin Center this summer. The playground area near the food booth will be expanded and new equipment added. The EATA arena, which ADA uses as the Dressage warm-up arena, will be covered, probably in late summer/early fall. This will also involve adding an access road, so heavy equipment may be operating, just hopefully not during a show
- Newsletter—Erika Kelsey will resurrect it! Ideas so far: a feature article on Nicole Ringer, winner of the USDF Gold Medal; new member bios; a summary of the meaning and importance of the Kathryn Brooks award (Carolyn's speech at the Banquet); "Alaska-isms" (only in Alaska do you have to watch for moose during a test); fun facts about your board members

Adjourn: 7:40 PM

Next meeting: Tuesday, April 5, 6 PM at Kaladi Brothers Coffee on Brayton Drive (off New Seward Highway)