

SEDA Board Meeting

January 7, 2019

Board Members present: Nicole Miller, Watson Copeland, Gwen Swanbom, Rebecca Smedley, Aryelle Stafford, Cameron Dauterive, Emily Embree, Judi Dauterive

Call to Order: 7:35

President

1. IRS issue- Everything has been submitted, and they will contact us if there are any issues. We can proceed as a non-profit.
2. Comments on the write-up about Kathleen Aertker's shows- Judi and Cameron suggested that they come and see how our dressage shows are run in order to make appropriate changes so they are eligible to be SEDA recognized.
3. Updated forms- Awards program guidelines have been updated.
4. Insurance update- Our carrier has been difficult to work with. Nicole has been looking at other options. Found out our past insurance didn't cover everything, including volunteers. Our new coverage will double in cost, but the coverage will now be more comprehensive.
5. Comments from USDF Convention- Stressed filling out tax forms adequately. We should have a system of checks and balances. Suggest that there are three people who have the ability to sign checks. Have an external person review finances. We need to have a procedure for each of our jobs in the case someone has to step in to our positions. Want all members of all affiliated organizations to go through safe sport training, but we really have no way to incentivize our volunteers to take the safe sport training. USDF may waive the fee for people to take the test. Board members all have to sign a conflict of interest policy. Watson wants us to ask people who work for us to sign a conflict of interest form, but Nicole says we can't do that.
6. Volunteer Coordinator- Isabella Rodwig has agreed to take on this position.

Vice President

1. Banquet- \$35/person, SEDA will not be charged for the cash bar. We have a DJ. Judi is working on the prizes. We need volunteers to set up. Watson suggested putting a sponsorship form in the program. Nicole suggests we include other forms and guidelines in the program as well. Watson needs names of parents in order to have certificates for parents who have been supportive of the club. Nicole suggests the board introduce themselves at the banquet. Nicole suggests a pirate theme for the banquet. Everyone agrees on the theme. Nicole asks if we should do the basket raffle, and the board is in unanimous agreement. Nicole wants to do door prizes or raffle. Nicole also asks for volunteers for the

banquet. Watson volunteers to read the names for the awards. Watson motions that we pay Nicole to do the program. Unanimous vote yes from the board to pay Nicole to put together the program.

2. Adult Show- Richard Howard is excited to judge. He is happy to stay and do the clinic afterward. Discussed having the clinic at Oak Hill, but thinking it may be easier to hold it at Lagniappe since that is where the show will be held. Watson wants to get him a hotel the night before close to the airport. Suggested cost is \$190 for a SEDA member and \$200 for a non-SEDA member.

Treasurer

1. Financials - Watson asks why it appears we have lost money. Rebecca is going to look into it.

Membership

1. Many members have yet to renew for 2019.

Juniors

1. Update on Junior Classic- discussed options for date and judge, but no decisions have been made.

Eventing

1. Recap of December Forum- Aryelle feels like it went well.
2. March FDL needs- It will be helpful to have a volunteer coordinator since biggest issue with FDL Christmas was the clean-up after the show (XC cleanup and dressage arena). Aryelle suggests paying Lagniappe for that.

Dressage

1. Banquet awards- Dry erase stall plaque for Champion, Reserve Champion are getting a dandy brush, plus ribbons.
2. LBT Update and Needs- Judi suggests doing champions for the weekend or just champions for Saturday and not Sunday. The board unanimously agrees. Judi brings up the point that judges hate having the scribes changed out throughout the day. Judi suggests that if people are available, we should look into paying them to scribe for the full day. Cameron agrees. The board is in unanimous agreement that we should pay those willing.

Communications

1. Update- Emily wants to go to every other week bleeps when not a lot is going on.

Adjourned at 8:57