

SEDA Board Meeting

March 2, 2020

Board Members Present: Nicole Miller, Marie Cobb, Judi Dauterive, Natasha Fernandez, Marilyn Kulifay, Isabella Rodwig, Rebecca Smedley. Absent: Paula Gregory, Emily Jackson.

Call to Order at 7:33 PM.

President

Nicole thanked the Board for the floral arrangement.

Nicole informed the Board that there were two tickets to the World Cup being drawn for in Region 9. Information and sign-up is on the Region 9 website, and to please pass the word along.

Judi Dauterive made a motion to support the Houston Dressage Society Tex-over Farms CDI with a donation of \$500.00, seconded by Marie Cobb. Passed unanimously.

SEDA is celebrating its 45th Anniversary. There were many good ideas to celebrate. A catered picnic in October with a 70's theme with music appeared to be the consensus. A commemorative pin or T-shirt were suggested. Location would be Amen Corner or a park. Additional ideas to be sent to Nicole within one week.

A recap of the Banquet was that it was really enjoyable and everyone loved the pictures (awards). Many thanks to Marie Cobb, Judi Dauterive, Nicole Miller, Paula Gregory, Natasha Fernandez, Isabella Rodwig, Cameron Dauterive, Aryelle Stafford, Rebecca Smedley, Rebecca Stewart, Emily Jackson, Watson Copeland, Jennifer Jeungling and Ashleigh Lewis for all their hard work! Suggestions for the Banquet next year were – Themes: Medieval, Oscar, Western, Saturday Night Fever, 70's. Entertainment: DJ & music. The baskets were well received. Date: January 30, 2021 at Benedict's. Suggestions for Awards for Champion and Reserve Champion were discussed.

SEDA has been the recipient of two bridles donated by Saddlery Solutions. Tickets will be available at The First Dance and Fleur de Leap. Tickets are \$5 or 3 for \$10. Motion by Rebecca Smedley, second by Marie Cobb. Passed unanimously. The drawing will be at Fleur de Leap.

The SEDA Scholarship deadline is May 1, 2020. Additional requirement of volunteer hours in order to be eligible. Motion by Marilyn that the applicant have completed 4 volunteer hours within 6 months of the scholarship deadline to be eligible for the scholarship, second by Marie Cobb. Passed unanimously.

The SEDA Adults Only Show was discussed, and the consensus was to table it until 2021, while considering changing it to a camp, ride-a-test, or drill team day.

Treasurer

The Treasurer is in the process of preparing a detailed Treasurer's Report for next meeting.

Dressage

The SEDA Schooling Show Championships were well received and the participants loved it. The next one will be held January 23-24, 2021 as a stand-alone show. SEDA will begin promoting it now.

Volunteers – Rebecca Couret will be Volunteer Coordinator at The First Dance.

Le Bon Temps will be held October 31 & November 1, 2020 with a Halloween theme. Suggestions were a stall decorating contest and a competitor party. Costumed freestyles were discussed.

Eventing

Fleur de Leap needs volunteers, and SEDA needs someone to run the recognized September show. Moving the December show to the weekend of December 12, 2020 was discussed.

Juniors

SEDA will tentatively run the Juniors show in October after Lagniappe's Just Jumpers show. Isabella will check with Lagniappe regarding scheduling.

Membership

Natasha Fernandez reported that SEDA currently has 107 members, and would be checking on past due memberships.

Communications

Marie Cobb encouraged Board members to email to her any announcements and information for Bleeps and Facebook.

Adjourned at 9:25 PM.

Post Meeting Communications and Votes

Board agreed to provide a gift certificate to New Vocations Horse Adoption for one CT entry or one HT entry or two dressage test entries at one SEDA-organized schooling show, which includes class fees, stabling for one horse, and two bags of shavings, to be used within one year of issuance. 3/10/2020

Board agreed to cancel the Spring Fleur de Leap Schooling Show in light of the coronavirus, and concerns of show officials, management and staff. Many thanks to Leslie Morris for being willing to step in to help. A possible summer date in July/August will be investigated.