

SEDA Board Meeting

November 30, 2020 – Zoom conference call.

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

Guest: Watson Copeland

Call to Order at 7:30 PM

President – Paula (Vice President) conducted the meeting via Zoom.

Motion made by Paula – that the banquet be postponed until later in the year, seconded by Marie. Passed.

USDF Convention: Marilyn will carry the SEDA proxy.

SEDA Volunteer of the Year: Several names were mentioned for competing member Volunteer of the Year. Looking for candidates for non-competing member Volunteer of the Year. Tabled. An email vote will be sent to the Board.

Year End High Point Awards (per division) – For the Year End High Point, due to COVID and finances, the High Point for each division will be recognized by a fancy ribbon (no other award). Motion by Marie, seconded by Isabella, motion passed.

The Board was appreciative of Judi taking the lead on the flowers.

Vice President – Paula will revisit having a clinician for SEDA education by Zoom.

Treasurer – Rebecca sent out financial reports for consideration by the Board. SEDA's financial position is stable at this time.

Dressage – By email, Judi indicated that she wanted to host a 2021 qualifier Schooling Show the day before Schooling Show Championships. Motion by Marilyn to approve, seconded by Paula, motion passed. Le Bon Temps was successful, and hopefully in 2021, there will be more entries. There were many favorable comments from competitors who were happy to be able to show.

Awards - Watson Copeland attended the meeting briefly, and had questions regarding Year End Awards that were noted by the Board. A volunteer Committee of Board Members to review and clarify awards language was determined to be Marilyn, Emily, Isabella, Rebecca with input from Sally, Meredith and Judi. Year end awards winners may pick up their award at the Schooling Show Championship on Sunday, January 24, 2021 and get their picture taken then.

Eventing – Emily reported that the Fleur de Leap recognized show was a success. She recommended making the show a one day show next year to cut costs. She noted that in her research, there is another one day show that caps their entries at 100 horses, so making Fleur de Leap a one day show should not be a problem. It was brought to the Board's attention that the in/out on cross country was a bit tight at times. Also discussed was the EMT/ambulance ability to make its way onto the field when the ground is wet. The entries for the FDL Schooling Show are coming in slowly, and volunteers should contact Sharon.

Juniors – Isabella is going to schedule a Zoom call with the SEDA juniors on Wednesday to discuss possible 2021 events.

Membership – Natasha reported that for the 2021 year, SEDA has 63 members so far, with 10 being new members.

Communications – Marie will send out communications to SEDA members noting deadlines, USDF convention education opportunities, renewal of memberships and Zoom meeting for Juniors.

Secretary – Marilyn is current with the minutes.

Motion to Adjourn at 8:47 PM by Paula and seconded by Rebecca.

Notation of Email Voting after November 30, 2020 meeting:

The Board voted that the Volunteer of the Year for Competing would be Rebecca Couret and that the Volunteer of the Year for Non-Competing be Sally Richards.

SEDA will plan for a social event late Spring/early Summer. Date and time to be announced.

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