



VADA/Nova
Board Meeting Summary
July 12, 2021
7:30pm

Board Present: Diann Carpenter, Michelle Lachner, Kathy Curtis, Lisa Rice, Mary Callan, Sheli King, Kathy Hibbard, Maloree Razzino

Excused: Judy Grass, Rachel Rice, Jessie Ginsburg, Diann Landau, Anne Harrington, Carol Thomas

The meeting was brought to order at 7:30 pm.

Meeting Topics

1. Licensed Shows

- a. May 2022 – The mid-week licensed show date will be renewed. There was good feedback and it seemed to be popular with the competitors. It will be kept at a two-ring maximum.
- b. June 2022– The Friday show will be dropped based on factors such as finding an adequate number of volunteers, additional costs, etc. Therefore, the June show will be one show held on Saturday and Sunday only.
- c. August 2022– the two separate shows format will be continued.
- d. The introduction of E-scribing at our licensed shows was discussed. This will necessitate a new “class” of scribes. It was agreed that we would not be prepared to start any e-scribing at the August licensed shows. A proposal was made to consider e-scribing training at the Spring, 2022 Judges’ Roundtable.

2. Board Information

- a. **Minutes-** June minutes accepted/approved
 - o **Treasurer’s Report:**
 - Balance in Main DDA \$81,687.65
 - Savings Balance: \$45,170.70
 - PAYPAL TOTAL: \$12,760.22
 - PayPal: \$10,987.06
 - VN PayPal Account at Wells Fargo: \$1,773.16
 - **Grand Total All Funds: \$139,618.57**
 - o **Members Report :** 261 members (one new member via Dressage Camp sign-up)
 - o **Management Platform –** The building toward the full implementation of the Club Express platform is proceeding, and it was agreed that the committee overseeing this should meet as soon as possible to assist and direct this effort.

3. Schooling Shows

- a. **August 7 Show** – as of the meeting there was still a need for a scribe, awards and hospitality volunteers. The registration of this show in the USDF Schooling Shows Awards Program will occur in the next day or so.

4. Publications

- a. **Greenbook** – The Greenbook has gone out and been received but was unfortunately missing information on the Championship Schooling Show and rules. This information will be in the August newsletter and on the website. There was a discussion about putting the Greenbook on the website, but without any members information.
- b. The Greenbook, in Word format, will go from the current Board member overseeing it to another Board member for future stewardship.

5. **Newsletter** – There was a discussion about content ideas, and it was agreed that an article on veterinary topics, such as how to handle emergencies, first aid, etc. would be requested from a member who is a vet. Other ideas such as experiences with shipping and/or importing horses were also proposed. We continue to encourage members to contribute content to our newsletter.

Proposals have been put forward to possibly move the newsletter to either a quarterly or seasonal release schedule, and perhaps with a different look as well. It was agreed that a meeting of the Publications Committee should be held soon to discuss how to gear our publications for 2022.

6. Education/Clinics

- a. **Dressage Camp July 28-31, 2021** – As of this meeting, the camp is full and preparations are on-track.

7. Other Business

- a. Our outreach to the general membership to serve on committees continues.
- b. Discussions among Board members will be ongoing regarding the many tasks that need to be done.
- c. A motion was made, and seconded, to donate \$250 to Loudoun Therapeutic Riding.
- d. As of this meeting, Dressage at Lexington was still in critical need of volunteers (for 7 rings, approximately 900 rides).
- e. Further discussions will be ongoing regarding the remaining 2021 and future Board Meeting schedule and location. The Board agreed that quarterly in-person meetings should be held, with continued use of Zoom for the other months. Further details will be addressed in the immediate future.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:20pm