DDC Conference Call

January 17, 2022

1. Roll Call in attendance are Julia Handt, Barrett Barksdale, Becky Brown, Leslie Heltzen, Caitlin Demura, Alecia Daniel (with Silvia’s proxy), Galvin Swift, and Bonnie Parker. Meeting called to order at 8:07pm.
2. Approve Minutes
   1. Correct Spelling of Waxahachie to Loxahachie
   2. Motion to approve minutes made by Leslie Heltzen and seconded by Alecia Daniel.
3. Membership
   1. Currently at 83 members. We should be at 95-100 after inputting the rest of the members.
4. Finances
5. Shows
   1. Schooling Show Championship recap
      1. Show was well attended. There were only two championship rides on Saturday and the rest was regular schooling show rides.
      2. On Sunday, all the intro and training level championships took place, and the classes were pretty full.
      3. For next year, thinking about best horse/rider costumes.
      4. Highest grossing schooling show.
   2. February schooling show
      1. Nineteen registrants for Saturday so far and sixteen on Sunday.
6. Ads/Promotions/Newsletter
   1. Barbara/Caitlin Sponsorship banner ready for Feb show?
      1. 2.5x4 banner that is going to be reinforced.
      2. Thinking $100 for a banner or $300 for the entire year. Caitlin wanted to offer her services for designing/photography.
   2. Barrett was sent corrections to Transitions (quarterly).
   3. Alecia was sent corrections to website
7. Education
   1. Darnell
      1. Three entered (one out of state licensed judge and 2 auditors)
   2. Eye of Judge in Boerne is the weekend after. Becky sent email to Sharon Vander Ziel to see if approved for CE credit judges. Waiting to hear back (this may be last year for DDC)
8. New Business
   1. Secured sponsorship from Riding Warehouse- 15% discount for members
      1. Helps pay for membership fee!
      2. Becky was also sent a large box of totes. We can put one in each chair.
9. Old Business
   1. Banquet
      1. Date changed to 3/13 in response to Covid surge
      2. Bonnie has ten champions and five reserve champions for open and about the same for schooling shows. About thirteen highpoint winners.
      3. Working with embroidery companies for the awards.
      4. Need to secure auction items
      5. Looking at putting decals into the tote bags.
   2. Bonnie report
   3. Becky securing awards for:
      * 1. Major Valko: Yvonne
        2. Beduhn Challenge Trophy: Jessica Jones
        3. Trainer of the Year: Allison Tiffert
        4. Volunteer of the Year: Janice M.
10. Scholarships-Leslie Heltzen
    1. Is there a current scholarship committee?
       1. Leslie would like to form one and ask Silvia to join.
       2. First week in February send out an email to the members to let them know that scholarships are available.
11. Next meeting -Feb 21, 2022 8pm (President’s Day)
12. Motion to Adjourn made by Galvin Swift and seconded by Leslie Heltzen.