**DDC Conference Call**

August 21, 2023

1. Roll Call: In attendance are Leslie Heltzen (w/Julia Handt’s proxy), Becky Brown, Bonnie Parker, Galvin Swift, Caitlin Demura, Alecia Daniel, Barbara Lewis and Silva Stoumbaugh.
2. Meeting called to order at 8:07PM. Motion to approve made by Galvin and seconded by Alecia.
3. Minutes from July 2023-
   1. Amendments: wording in #5 Finances to change wording to “no financial was sent out, because there was nothing new to report. As it was in between shows/events.”
   2. Under schooling show section #4 should be moved to the Recognized Show section.
4. Membership
   1. 165 members, which is close to the last two years’ total membership.
5. Finances
   1. July 2023 Finances submitted.
6. Shows
   1. Schooling Show
      1. Septembr 16th & 17th. Looking for Judges. Becky is available for Sunday.
      2. A few people have signed up.
   2. Recognized Shows
      1. Everything is set for November Yellow Rose Show
      2. Will do advertising to get early enteries.
      3. Ask Susan to limit the entries.
      4. Caitlin regarding sponsorship awards. Region 9 gave out some funny awards like “Red-Headed Mare award”. Let’s develop some fun ideas to include in the prize list for Yellow Rose.
7. Ads/Promotions
8. Publications
   1. Newsletter: Alecia is working on it. Hopefully it will get out this week.
   2. Elections:
      1. Galvin will be the nomination review person. We have four board positions open. Alecia will place the Board positions available on the DDC website and FB. Becky sent out text msg’s to some barns with the DDC positions open.
      2. Mary Beth Henderson w/ Lyndon’s barn is open to be the Treasurer. Alecia and Caitlin’s position are expiring and we hope they will rerun. Bonnie is taking a break due to personal responsibilities. She will continue helping with Breed Awards. Bonnie will also put together a policy and procedure document to help the next person with the Awards position.
      3. The new officers will take over in October 2023. Alecia will post it in the Newsletter with a voting timeline. Nominations will be completed on the 29th of September voting will end October 15. The October meeting will be on October 23rd.
9. Scholarships: The Scholarship recipients address’ was given to Silvia and she will mail the check tomorrow.
10. Education:
11. Old Business: Bonnie addressed the past due invoice for the Spring Show reserved champion for Fly Spray. Bonnie will get that to Silvia this week.
12. New Business:
    1. SWDC/HDS Support for Regionals: $300 each. Silvia, would you send these checks out.
13. Next meeting: September 25th.
14. Motion to Adjourn was made by Galvin and seconded by Silvia. The meeting ended at 8:47pm.