**DDC Conference Call**

December 18, 2023

1. Roll Call: In attendance are Julia Handt (Secretary), Caitlin Demura (Publications) (with Barbara’s proxy), Mary Beth Henderson (Treasurer), Michelle Ames (Awards, Meetings & Events), Becky Brown (President), and Galvin Swift (Membership).
2. Meeting called to order at 8:03PM.
3. Motion to approve October minutes made by Galvin and seconded by Caitlin.
4. Club Business: Leslie has resigned her position on the board as VP. Galvin makes a motion to appoint Barbara Lewis as VP, seconded by Mary Beth. All in favor, none opposed.
   1. Becky would also like to add Barbara Lewis as signee on bank account. Motion made by Mary Beth and seconded by Galvin. All in favor, none opposed.
5. Membership
   1. 93 members, which puts us ahead of this year. 80ish were renewals and 10 were new.
   2. Some board members have asked to be taken off the list where they receive notifications for membership renewals.
   3. Galvin renewed the memberships for voting members of the board.
6. Finances
   1. Silvia helped Mary Beth with finances for this month and sent out a balance.
   2. Yellow Rose came out at a loss.
   3. Mary Beth will follow up with Barbara about the EMS invoice.
   4. Sending out a check to Yvonne – Mary Beth would like to know if she can wait to send the check until she has signing rights. Galvin said she would let Yvonne know.
   5. Insurance: We estimate 60 people for the banquet and about 15 for the Joan Darnell clinic.
   6. Credit Card: needs the name changed. Galvin needs the new CC number.
   7. Zelle: Mary Beth is going to look into that.
   8. Prosperity Bank Balance: interest in consolidating? Becky says she doesn’t see a problem with it but will check with Alecia and Silvia.
7. Shows
   1. Schooling Shows
      1. Schooling show went very well.
      2. Alecia bought coffee, hot chocolate, donuts, and pizza in lieu of concessions.
      3. Caitlin should create posts that volunteer work does count for school.
      4. Caitlin was thinking of sponsoring some sort of dress-up contest at shows.
   2. Recognize Shows
8. Ads/Promotions
9. Publications
   1. Caitlin is going to try to get out a newsletter this weekend.
10. Scholarships
    1. Galvin will work to get the money to the Junior that also qualified for the scholarship.
11. Education
    1. Joan Darnell – ten already signed up.
    2. Rocking M would like to hold an educational clinic. Ride-A-Test type of clinic. They would like to know if DDC would be a GMO sponsor.
    3. Lyndon is also hosting a clinic in January with Janet Foy.
    4. Becky saw another clinic that was put on by an eventing association. Different type of clinic – analyzes your riding with an app then does body work. He would be available in May.
12. Banquet
    1. Michelle would like to change the verbiage of the awards submission rules. Becky told her to write something out and have Caitlin post it.
    2. 5 people have already signed up for the banquet.
    3. Becky will put a reminder in her phone to check for the Katy date before scheduling banquet in 2025.
    4. Caitlin will create the slideshow.
13. Old Business:
14. New Business:
    1. Awards Questions
       1. Mary Beth will send Michelle an email with a budget for awards from previous years.
       2. Michelle still needs scores from schooling shows.
15. Next meeting: January 8th at 8pm.
16. Motion to Adjourn was made by Galvin and seconded by Caitlin. The meeting adjourned at 9:12pm.