**DDC Conference Call**

September 25, 2023

1. Roll Call: In attendance are Julia Handt, Becky Brown, Caitlin Demura, Bonnie Parker, Galvin Swift, Alecia Daniel (with Silvia’s proxy), and Barbara Lewis
2. Meeting called to order at 8:03PM. Motion made to approve August minutes made by Alecia and seconded by Bonnie. Minutes approved.
3. Membership
   1. New record: 169 members!
4. Finances
   1. Silvia sent out the finances. We are a little ahead for the year – about $600 profit.
5. Shows
   1. Schooling show
      1. September show just finished. Next is December show.
      2. One of the smaller shows of the year, but the show made about $1,200
      3. Cost of facilities:
         1. Longhorn: $1,000/day for the arena itself. We get a $5 discount per stall.
         2. Athens: $950/day but we must pay for two arenas so $1,900 + other costs like the concession stand
         3. We make some money off the stalls as well.
      4. December Show – going to do some fun events like costumes.
6. Ads/Promotions
   1. Caitlin is working on it.
   2. Becky sent Caitlin a sponsorship list to look through. She will send it again.
7. Publications
   1. Transitions looks very good
   2. Website needs to be updated with show information
8. Elections
   1. Four board positions open
   2. 2 people have nominated for Publications position (Caitlin and Maddie)
   3. 1 for Treasurer (Mary Beth)
   4. Awards/Meetings & Ads/Promotions is still open.
      1. Bonnie will write up a job description for awards
   5. The board can appoint an open position if there are no nominations.
9. Scholarships
   1. Galvin has not received any scholarship applications
   2. Question about clinics, but what if you don’t know which clinic yet
      1. They don’t have to be guaranteed for that clinic. If they don’t get in they can use it for the next educational event and then send in a write-up.
10. Education
11. Old Business:
    1. Bonnie has a hardcopy of fly spray invoice if needed for Silvia.
    2. Money was sent to HDS and SWDC
    3. Becky is going to call some smaller colleges to see about getting a larger venue for Joan Darnell clinic.
    4. Breed Papers: Add to the prize list that you must submit breed papers by closing date.
12. New Business:
13. Next meeting: October 16 at 8PM.
14. Motion to Adjourn was made by Galvin and seconded by Alecia. Meeting adjourned at 8:54PM