

Jan 5, 2022 BOD meeting

Present (7): Andrea C., Didi D., Sue W., Silja K., Kellee J., Sandra R., and Kelly M.

Start: 7:01pm

Andrea will let Beth at RMDS know that we have our board set and will email out a Mail Chimp announcement about the new officers. She told us that we have a huge open rate at about 45%.

Didi mentioned that she is getting contracts for judges, clinicians, and facilities finalized for review and signing by the new president.

Kellee reported having trouble finding the 1099 and 1099NEC forms needed for taxes this year. Last year was also a problem as face to face pick up was not an option. Amazon is selling the forms, which include the carbon copy ability since they must be sent in triplicate. Sue found the forms online as a pdf file and will help Kellee fill out the forms electronically if Kellee doesn't have access to a program that will allow her to do so. The pdf form does have places for copies 1, 2, and 3 so she can print them out and fill them all out separately if all else fails. Sue will email Kellee the link.

The date for the next general meeting was announced as next week. We discussed that the general meetings happen every 2nd Wednesday of the month except during summer. The board continues to meet during the summer. The board also meets about 2 weeks before the general meeting to get things set for the general meeting. There was a comment made about the new board being able to create our own meeting schedule if that doesn't work. No discussion followed.

There was a short discussion on educational components to meetings, Sue suggested that we bring this back. Didi reported that it was well received by the membership and increased meeting attendance. We discussed that a topic/presenter for next week's meeting would be too short notice and we would pick this up for the Feb. meeting and going forward.

There was a short discussion of old board business.

Mention of submitting more events to Beth of RMDS for the RMDS calendar lead to the topic of the TBD Amy Jablonovsky clinic in April. Amy is volunteering her time so we would like to do this for her, especially since she was passed over last year due to a full spring schedule. Unfortunately, it looks like there is too much going on in spring between NCDA and RMDS for our members and volunteers to fill all events.

It was suggested that Amy might instead be invited to give a presentation during the Tack Sale in March. It will be cold and NCDA will need to give the barn owner some extra money to run the heaters for this presentation. Silja suggested that the presentation, which would be about show prep, would be a good way to draw attention to Amy for a future clinic as well as good exposure for her. Fall was suggested for an Amy clinic but was rejected as members are often burned out by fall and events do not fill. Didi offered to talk to Amy about doing a talk at the tack sale.

We returned to discussion of potential educational events for meetings. Kelly suggested emergency preparation, especially with recent fires. Kellee reported that a member of the Larimer County Volunteer Rescue was going to do one at one point but ended up having too many other commitments. Sandra mentioned that there is a pair of trainers in Wellington that have great trailer safety clinic/demos. Andrea suggested it be made into an education talk rather than a demo. Sandra clarified that we would ask them to do a talk at a general meeting and will get in touch with the trainers.

There was a brief discussion on the website. Didi took over the website and has done a great job keeping it going for the members. Didi reported that Go Daddy is difficult to learn for anyone else trying to work on the website. Kelly mentioned that WordPress free version is also awful to learn and that WordPress has a history of security issues where their sites are more often hacked than other website hosts. It was mentioned that we could switch to a different platform in the near future.

At this point, the meeting wrapped up.

Adjourned 7:47 pm