

The Rocky Mountain Dressage Society

Foothills Chapter

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Monday, January 30, 2017

6:30 PM

Tuscany Tavern

Evergreen

Attendees:

Nicole Riffe

Laura Quakenbush

Kris Cooper

Jim Cooper

Cassandra DiPentino

Marilou Metcalf

Koba Skelton

Linda Gaber

Meeting Minutes

1. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

Laura approved, Cassandra 2nd the motion and the motion carried.

2. Treasurer's Report

❖ For year end reported ending balance of \$9,802 compared to \$7,515 in 2015

❖ Net income for 2016 was \$2,287

❖ Nicole approved, Marilou 2nd the motion and the motion carried.

3. *Western Dressage Award*

- ❖ Cassandra will take picture of winner with trophy and send to Nicole to put on website
- ❖ Criteria changed for 2017 for the award to allow more members to qualify
- ❖ New criteria: Median high point of at least 3 WDAA sanctioned shows, of those 2 must be Foothills sponsored shows
- ❖ Cassandra motioned to approve and Laura 2nd the motion to change the criteria

4. *RMDS Board Meeting and BOG Report*

- ❖ BOG was overall very positive
- ❖ RMDS very excited about the week long dressage symposium coming up in May at the CO Horse Park
- ❖ Year end championship show moved to Colorado Horse Park
- ❖ Need to remind members to renew their RMDS membership as numbers are down currently

5. *Show Committee Report*

- ❖ Have judges lined up for both shows and prize list posted on website and RMDS website
- ❖ Added more classes for western dressage for both shows
- ❖ Idea to add a volunteer raffle for each show to encourage volunteer participation
- ❖ Group approved \$50 budget for each show for a gift certificate for a volunteer raffle; Cassandra approved the motion and Nicole 2nd and the motion carried
- ❖ Laura will check on renewal of show insurance for the year
- ❖ Idea to add a flea market to both of the shows- Linda will look into this

6. *Scholarship Program*

- ❖ Changes for 2017: Changed limit from \$75 per person to \$100 and changed name to Educational Grant instead of Scholarship; Nicole motioned to approve; Laura 2nd the motion and the motion carried
- ❖ Marilou to update policy and send to Kris to review with changes
- ❖ Marilou to send more reminders about the program throughout the year and bring applications to meetings and Foothills events
- ❖ Group agreed to allow Foothills board members volunteer time for positions to qualify for grants as well (outside of meeting time); Marilou motioned to approve and Cassandra 2nd the motion and the motion carried

7. *Ideas for Workshops & Clinics for 2017*

- ❖ Host another Western Dressage Clinic in April; Cassandra looking into available clinicians and a good date
- ❖ Ride a Test clinic- plan to host day before Spring Show on Saturday June 10th; looking to see if Julie Haugen would be available (post meeting note: Contract with Julie in progress)

- ❖ Seat Lesson/Groundwork Clinic: Looking into March timeframe and Kris working on format; Kris to send budget to board for approval before event (post meeting note: date of seat clinic will be Sunday, March 12th)
- ❖ Cassandra is working on the young riders summer camp at TMR in July this year (7/5-7/7); possibility to add a lunch sponsored by Foothills; Cassandra to send more details
- ❖ Group working on details for a lunch or party later this year for members; possibly October

8. Next Meeting Date:

- ❖ Monday, March 20th- next meeting date