

Meeting Minutes
Conference Call

Present:	Doreen Cutts, Barbara Clarke, Barbara Lewis, Jennie Bohart, Teresa Deeter, Catherine Lopalo, Pauline Jaroszewicz, Janice Mauren, Michele Miles
Proxies:	
Guests:	None
Apologies:	Sue Casey (professional advisor)
Quorum:	MET
Opened:	8:08pm
Next Mtg:	10 November (after Regional's) then 8 December 2010
Closed:	9:58pm, moved: Jennie Bohart, 2 nd : Barbara Lewis
Minutes:	September minutes to be approved via email vote.

Presidents Report (Jennie Bohart):

1. Other panel for club awards tent arrived will be kept in the show trailer.
2. Meetings: it was expressed by several board members that we maintain a consistent monthly meeting schedule. Former schedule was 1st Tuesday of each month. Jennie felt that Wednesday has more availability for more people. Therefore it was agreed that new monthly
- Board Meeting schedule would be 1st Wednesday of each month. Will strive to maintain a quarterly "in-person" meeting and remainder of meetings would be conference call. Next "in person" meeting is 10 November (delayed one week due to Regional's), December will be a conference call on 1-December (USDF Convention).
-2011: Jan in person, Feb, March conference call, April in person, May, June as conference call, July in person (Summer meeting?), August, Sept as conference call, October in person, November, December as conference call.

Vice President's Report (Doreen Cutts):

1. Freestyle Clinic:
 - The Dressage Foundation approved the application for a grant. The DDC is now managing most of the Freestyle clinic logistics.
 - Catherine is managing the riders for the clinic.
 - Friday night lecture is: 19 Nov 2010.
 - Rides are 20-21 November 2010
2. A Sponsorship Request has been received for an Alfredo Hernandez clinic. Motion to approve: Jennie Bohart, 2nd: Barbara Lewis. Similar assistance as given to Heike Kemmer, Steffen Peters and Freestyle clinic in DDC member discounts and free advertising in Newsletter, website and via email blast.

Secretary's Report (Barbara Clarke):

1. Newsletter: TABLED DISCUSSION
2. Subsidy Request form submitted by Bruce Lawrie (via the Convention Subsidy Request). Requesting assistance for WEG expenses in exchange for club use of photos taken via press pass.
 - Discussion: Barbara Lewis concerned that this will set a precedent, does not think the club will benefit from the photos as photos are very available. Janice M does not see the benefit of this assistance to the greater membership. Doreen does not see any need for the photos at all due to prevalence of photos from other sources.
 - Motion to decline application: Barbara Lewis, 2nd: Doreen Cutts. All agreed.
3. Silent Auction: has received all information from Cindy Murray on running the silent auction for the banquet. Will resend an introductory email to the current silent auction team (Linda Turner, Ashley Bostrom, and Michele Miles) with information needed and actions to occur.

Treasurer Report (Barbara Lewis):

1. In the process of transferring files & accounts to Doreen.
2. Barbara Lewis will get Doreen a new account that is more conveniently located to Doreen Cutts.

3. Bank Balance:
Prosperity bank as of (30 Sept 2010) \$21,023.24

Membership Chair (Teresa Deeter):

1. Suggested a drawing for a free membership if membership application postmarked by/before 30 November. Drawing to be held at the 8 December 2010 board meeting.

Recognized Show Chair (OPEN):

Schooling Show Chair (OPEN):

1. OPEN: Volunteer Gift Cards: Doreen Cutts suggested that as a simple, quick and well received method of rewarding the volunteers. Suggested monetary amounts: 4 hours, \$10. 8 hours, \$20. Volunteer for two full days and name will go into a drawing for a \$50 gift card. Doreen & Barbara Lewis will prime the volunteer gift cards.

Ads and Promotions Chair (Janice Mauren, Cindy Murray): Nothing to report...

Awards Chair (Michele Miles):

1. Awards Budget: need that to understand what can be spent on awards, prizes, etc.
2. Historical info on what has been used in the past and which items are not only cost effective but also well received.
3. Ribbon Style: trying to get a handle on the transition from a "per show" ribbon style to a more generic DDC ribbon.
4. Did work & combined classes at the Yellow Rose in order to conserve ribbons. B Lewis worked on awards based on prize list.

Junior Riders Chair (Rachel Campbell): Not present.

Publications Chair (OPEN): Nothing to report.

Professional Advisor (Sue Casey): Nothing to report.

Education Chair (Catherine Lopalo):

1. Newsletter: have an article on helmets from a neurosurgeon. Will provide article to Newsletter Chair.
2. Would like the DDC Board to promote & encourage helmet use. Suggested the board pose for a photo wearing helmets at the Steffen Peters Symposium. Publish in newsletter with caption: We Use Our Heads Wear a Helmet.
3. All board members to bring a helmet to the Steffen Peters symposium and pose, perhaps with Steffen, for photo together.
4. Medical Armbands: Catherine looking for someone to prime project. Can't provide medical information on entry form due to privacy laws. Find suppliers & get quotes and look at viability of requiring or providing armbands for Dressage competitors. **TABLE THIS DISCUSSION.**
5. Bill Solentjes "New Test" Symposium. All agreed that the club cannot manage something like this in the timeframe slated. Teresa Deeter concerned that not fair for an individual decide to embark on a clinic like this and then decide they wanted the club to take over from them instead ("bail them out"). Barbara Lewis will send an email to Julie a.s.a.p. Catherine will communicate a "no thank you" to Julie Madriguera in person on Monday. Quite possible the DDC will be interested in something like this Jan/Feb/March timeframe but December is a little too soon.
 - Other option suggested is the club sending a couple local L grads to the USDF Symposium in FL in exchange for help hosting a similar "Ride A Test" with the new tests. Jennie wants to promote the L grads what are furthering their education. Discussion on L grad vs. S judge for Ride-A-Test. L grads to promote plans to the board. Barbara Lewis would be willing to present information. Suggested a New Test Symposium at Feb Schooling Show.
 - Need to plan clinic/education schedule for 2011 so that can have enough lead time to get opportunities booked