

NOVAWE BOARD MEETING – Minutes

Meeting by Google Meet Conference Call

Board of Directors

Present: Biddie Lowry, Laura Guillaudeu, Mills Smith, Nancy Wilochka, Stephanie Jennings, Chelsea Tinsley

May 13, 2024 / 7:30 pm

Meeting called to order at: 7:30 PM

Old Business

I. Licensed Show

- a. The Board voted to change the show to a one day show via messenger on 5-2-24 due to low entries.

- II. **Year End Awards**- Review Final Draft. Question: Do we want to assign points earned at each show based upon the average Dressage/EOH score from each show attended or find the average of the D/EOH averages for shows attended? **Since NOVAWE has less shows this year, the decision was made that year end awards can awarded as long as members participate in at least 2 shows. Competitors will be assessed based on the horse/rider team with highest average of the averaged Dressage and EOH scores from each show.**

New Business

I. **President Report – Biddie**- no news

II. **Membership Report –Laura**

- a. Member count: **51 Members**

III. **Treasurer Report – Biddie**

- a. Financial Summary for April:

Date	As of: 5/12/24
NOVAWE Checking Account (United Bank)	\$ 17,999.48
NOVAWE PayPal Bank Account (United Bank)	\$ 37.58
PayPal funds	
subtotal	\$ 18,037.06
Outstanding Checks/expenses	
FPPP EQ Center-Payment for Venue for June Show	\$ 1,215.00
subtotal	\$ 1,215.00
Payments Due (or upcoming)	
Estimated Show/Clinic Expenses as of 5/12	\$ 3,805.00
subtotal	\$ 3,805.00
Future Income	
missing fees & stabling from show	\$ 205.00
Subtotal	\$ 205.00
Forecasted Balance	\$ 13,222.06
Actual Cash on Hand as of 5/12/24	\$ 18,037.06

IV. Events Report –

- a. June WE Obstacle Clinic & show updates– Biddie
 1. As of 5/12/24, we have 17 entries.
 2. Sponsorship Form was not filled out by anyone. Suggest we forgo this method of fund-raising. We have only ribbons to hand out. Do we want to award cash prizes? Currently 7 Champions and 4 Reserves will be awarded. Discussion? **Cash prizes will be awarded for the specialty awards. Biddie made a motion to award \$50 to the specialty award recipients. Stephanie seconded. No discussion. And, unanimously approved.**
 3. Chelsea retained a farrier, Ed McCormick, to be on call for \$200/Saturday.
 4. Ribbons have been ordered for \$225.41.
 5. Polly has changed her flight and will send us an invoice after the show. The invoice will include the new flight, \$392.46, and the flight cancellation fee of \$99 = \$491.46.
 6. Polly will return home from Richmond, VA as Chelsea T has booked lessons for her near Richmond, VA on Sunday, 6-9-24. **I propose that Chelsea T reimburse NOVAWE for 1/3 of \$491.46, (which is \$163) to cover Polly's return flight. Biddie made a motion for Chelsea to reimburse NOVAWE 1/3 of the flight cost. Laura seconded. No discussion. All were in favor, but Chelsea recused herself due to conflict of interest.**

- b. Fall Clinic – Propose we go to Executive Session to discuss who should the 2nd clinician be. **Topics included clinic format and clinicians.**

c. There will be a Show Committee Meeting right after the Board Meeting.

V. Anything else?

a. Form 990-N was filed on 5-13-24 for the tax year, 2023.

Meeting adjourned at: 8:03 PM