

Oregon Dressage Society  
Board Meeting  
August 8, 2009  
EWEB Meeting Room, Eugene, OR

Present:

Ed Miller  
John Craven  
Gaye McCabe  
Corinne Stonier  
Sally Temple  
Siobhan Barker  
Christopher Main  
Patti Armstrong  
Ellen Dennis

Meeting was called to order by Ed Miller at 10:15.

1.1 Introductions

1.2 Minutes were approved

1.3 Agenda was adopted and approved.

2. Correspondence

2.1 Winnie Heiney-Duncan Scholarship Fund. Laura Ritacco's scholarship application has been received and will await Winnie's approval. Certificate will be awarded at the banquet in November. Check will be sent after report is received by the office.

Scholarship committee was formed. Gaye and Ed volunteered.

2.2 Sponsorship request from Region 6. Gaye requests sponsorship of \$250.00 from the League Championship Show and \$250.00 from the ODS general fund. Siobhan made a motion, it was seconded and passed.

3. Executive Director Report

3.1 Membership is down to 1113 from 1261 in 2008. Business memberships and patron memberships are down. Corinne suggested that chapters charge for ODS and non-members be charged a higher amount for clinics, etc. Some chapters are already doing this.

3.2 Publications updates. Ads down for the Omnibus and Roster. In 2010 the Omnibus/Roster/Test Book will be sent in one mailing. Some discrepancies in the Roster were noted. There is a need to check the roster for errors.

3.3 Wilsonville Horse Tours/P.R, and Networking

3.4 Social Networking Additions – Facebook Fan Site and Twitter.

Facebook and Twitter are free publicity.

4. Financial Report

John Craven gave the financial report.

Christopher Main will be ODS' new treasurer effective September 1, 2009 taking over for John Craven's many years of service as ODS' excellent treasurer.

Other new business is that Ed Miller will be in charge of the League Championship for 2010. His name needs to be added to the League Championship account. The board made a motion to do this, seconded, and passed.

## 5. Region 6 Director's Report

### 5.1 Mini-Convention Update

Committee: Marsha, Corinne, Sally

5.2 Regionals – ODS has given free show approval and free regional advertisement.

## 6. Committee Reports

### 6.1 Education

Board approval, voted and passed that Francy can put together another L program.

### 6.2 Special Awards

USDF awards nominations need to be turned in by 8/30. The remaining ODS nominations for awards need to be done by October 31, 2009. Awards committee needs to get notification to members. Marsha, Sally, and John are the Awards committee.

### 6.3 Strategic Planning Committee

The committee has written 2 initiatives, the goals for these initiatives, and the action plans for 2010 goals.

## 7. Old Business

7.1 USDF Convention Delegates will be Ed Miller, Gaye McCabe, Francy Haupt, Rose Newman, and Marsha Williams will be the alternate.

7.2 Nominations for next year's ODS Board Openings. Nominations will be during August.

7.3 Outreach. \$250.00 was donated to Equamore from Siskiyou Chapter, \$190.00 was donated to Breast Cancer Research from the North Willamette Valley Chapter.

Gaye shared that there are more high school dressage clubs forming.

Mid-Valley is taking on the Linda Acheson show and the OSU League Shows.

8. ODS League Championship Show will be held in Medford on Memorial weekend in 2010.

8.2 New member folder was shared as a marketing idea. Also a calendar idea was circulated.

## Awards Discussion

The awards committee was directed to come back in November with specific proposal for 2010.

9. Fall Meeting will be during the Mini-Convention, November 21 or 22.

Winter Board Meeting/Retreat will be January 9/10.

Spring Board Meeting is scheduled for May 1.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:40.

Respectfully submitted by Sally Temple, Secretary for ODS.

