# MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF EQUINE DISTANCE RIDING ASSOCIATION Zoom Meeting March 22, 2022

Pursuant to notice, the meeting of Equine Distance Riding Association was held via Online Zoom Meeting on March 22, 2022 at 7:00 pm PST President Kathleen Pillo called the meeting to order. Directors present were Vice President Guy Cheek, Secretary Cortney Honan, Treasurer Terri Powell, Board Members Julie Barnfather, Sue Summers, Terry James, Sandy Cheek, Katie Daley and Jillane Baros. Quorum was achieved.

# **Secretary Report:**

The November 11, 2021 meeting minutes and the January 18, 2022 meeting minutes were both emailed to the Board prior to the meeting. Sandy Cheek moved to approve the November 11, 2021 meeting minutes. Jillane Baros seconded. Motion passed. Sandy Cheek moved to approve the January 18, 2022 meeting minutes. Julie Barnfather seconded. Motion passed.

# **Treasurer Report:**

Terri Powell has been approved as the new treasurer however, duties have not been passed to her yet. Julie Barnfather as temporary treasurer reports that there is for the end of February a balance of \$54,380.99 with no debts. The Mary & Anna Memorial fund has \$12,265. There is a projected profit of \$250 for conference, this is an optimistic figure. Sandy Cheek moved to accept the treasurers report as stated seconded by Jilane Baros. Motion passed.

## **Diversity & Inclusion Committee:**

Sandy Cheek reached out to O YES to learn more about them and inquire about furthering a relationship with them. O Yes is a small registered nonprofit organization that has been in existence since 2016. They award scholarships on a quarterly basis. They already partner with companies and organizations such as Kerrits, Flat horse, and dressage clubs. Sandy has done the research to be sure they are a legitimate organization and feels that they are a very good match for EDRA. O YES gives us an entry point into helping the demographic of people we want to encourage in endurance.

#### **EDRA Trailer:**

Terry James asked the board to approve funds to license the EDRA trailer, check the brakes and repack the bearings. Guy Cheek moved to approve \$500 with receipts and invoices to be sent to the treasurers for brakes, licensing and repairs. Jillane Baros seconded. Motion passed.

### Mary & Anna Memorial Fund

Sue McLain will be stepping down as the administrator of the fund at in December 2022. The board was asked to keep this in mind and to start looking for a replacement. It was asked if the EDRA Board would consider passing administration of the fund onto PNER. The general consensus was not at this time. A new administrator will be found by the end of 2022.

# **Breed Organization Recognition:**

Sue McLain has been working with Jala Neufeld for EDRA to receive recognition with the Arabian Horse Association. There are plans in the works for a AHA Championship ride to be held at an EDRA ride.

#### **2022 EDRA Conference:**

Jill Brewster is providing food for volunteers and clinicians and asked that a budget of \$500 be approved by the Board. Sandy Cheek moved to approve a budget of \$500 for volunteer & clinician food at the 2022 EDRA Conference. Julie Barnfather seconded. Motion passed.

Guy and Sandy Cheek reported that the schedules for the conference are set. There are many things to look forward too. In particular is the added Tevis talk planned for Friday night. Tevis has officially allowed EDRA miles to be counted towards inclusion in Pen 1.

There is a talk planned from Art Prietz about FEI and Endurance Lite program. Kathleen Pillo heard his talk at the PNER convention and asked if it could be suggested to him to simplify the discussion. Sue Summers says that he has honed his talk since then and it should be better, she suggested as well that there be good direct questions for him.

For the Saturday Annual General Meeting a few agenda items to be included are the Youth Championships with Carol Giles, looking for new mentors, and highlights from committees regarding accomplishments for the year.

Julie Barnfather moved to adjourn at 8:31pm. Guy Cheek seconded. Meeting adjourned.