

**MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF
EQUINE DISTANCE RIDING ASSOCIATION
Zoom Meeting August 16, 2022**

Pursuant to notice, the meeting of Equine Distance Riding Association was held via Online Zoom Meeting on August 16, 2022 at 7:00 pm PST President Kathleen Pillo called the meeting to order. Directors present were Vice President Guy Cheek, Secretary Cortney Honan, Board Members Julie Barnfather, Sandy Cheek, Robin Burns and Jillane Baros. Quorum was achieved.

Secretary Report:

March 22, 2022 meeting minutes approved. *Guy Cheek moved to approve the March 22nd, 2022 meeting minutes. Kathleen Pillo seconded. Motion passed.*

Treasurer Report:

Per the balance sheet the end of July Cash \$52,638. Julie suspects that there is more than that because Strip has some deposits that aren't moved over to Quickbooks yet. Mary & Anna Memorial Fund is \$19,000, however this is a pre-ride season number as it was last updated in March.

Elections:

Kathleen posed the question on when we should hold elections for 2023 and when the term should start. The idea is that the new officers are elected in the fall and the term starts in January 2023. Better for the club to keep everyone involved to play off of the end of ride season. *Cortney Honan moved to consider a proposal to run the election on December 6, 2022 to December 13, 2022 so long as it is not a violation of the rules and bylaws of this organization. Julie Barnfather seconded. Motion Passed. Sandy Cheek moved to propose that the new Officers and Board Members start their term on January 1st provided that it does not violate any rules or bylaws of this organization. Guy Cheek seconded. Motion Passed.*

EDRA Conference:

Sandy Cheek worked to find a new facility for the conference for the 2023 EDRA Conference. Red Feather was a beautiful facility however it was very tight parking and the weather is very unpredictable. Sandy and Guy toured the Kittitas Fairgrounds where the Ellensburg Rodeo is held. Red Feather charged \$2200 for two arenas and the gathering area. Kittitas Fairgrounds is \$2391.60 for 36 stalls, arena for Friday and Saturday and a place for the banquet fairgrounds would provide tables, chairs and pull down screen.

Julie Barnfather moved to have the 2023 EDRA Conference on March 24 to 26th. Jillane Baros seconded. Motion passed.

Awards 2023

Holly Haddenham asked to have a budget of \$2,000 approved for 2023 awards. There was brief discussion about the pitfalls surrounding using discounted services from members to create

awards. *Julie Barnfather moves to recommend a budget of \$1,500 but not to exceed \$2,000. Jillane Baros seconded. Motion Passed.*

Membership Fee Increase:

Sue McLain in years past has pointed out that EDRA misses out on the ability to evaluate their fees as the rules state that it must be decided by October 15th. Julie proposed that in addition to looking at the membership fees, that we run a promotion that if you bring in a new member you get a discounted membership fee. Kathleen suggested that after looking at our direct competitor is currently \$10 less for adults. She suggested that we raise the Junior's fee from \$10 to \$25. Jillane Baros and Julie Barnfather plan to get together with Sue McLain for changing the fees to bring a proposal out via email.

Mary & Anna Memorial Fund

Cindy Sayer has stepped up to administer the fund. Jillane Baros mentioned that she and Alexis Berryman have the Mary & Anna Glitter hats and are marketing them to have their purchase go directly to the fund as donations.

Kathleen moved to adjourn at 8:24pm. Jillane Baros seconded. Meeting adjourned.