

## **WDCTA Southwest Chapter Meeting Minutes**

For Regular Meeting

Alicia Ashman Library, Madison, WI

*Nineteen members worked with Ann Schultheis, a physical therapist and FEI rider, on stretching and using our core abdominal muscles to follow the horse, versus our back. We became aware of how our crookedness is transferred to our horses and how it impacts their way of going. If we aren't straight and even in our biomechanics, how can we expect our horses to work correctly? It was an excellent program. Thanks, Ann!*

*Pam Doolittle, WDCTA state board president, also spent time talking about the future direction of WDCTA and getting the Southwest Chapter members' feedback. She had already visited the Upper Peninsula and Kettle Moraine chapters to get their ideas and input. We appreciate Pam's effort to listen to members and find out what our ideas and needs are.*

### **Date: March 13, 2010**

The meeting was called to order at 3:15 p.m. by president Donna Thomas. Chet Thomas made a motion and Stephanie Severn seconded to approve agenda. Passed unanimously.

### **Attendees:**

Kim Barskaitiki, Holly Beach, Marie Caldwell, Ruth Crennell, Pam Doolittle, Pam Erlanger, Sue Genin, Mary Hanneman, Tessa King, Jenni McMahon, Stephanie Severn, Chet Thomas, Donna Thomas, Kathleen Verrill, Caryn Vesperman

### **Secretary's Report:**

February secretary's report minutes approved , with one minor spelling correction of Ann Schultheis' last name.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Checking account: \$369.60. Savings accounts: \$5.00 and \$18,844.91; in the two CDs: \$2,500 each, total \$5,000.

### **Old Business:**

**D&O Chapter Insurance:** Donna reported that treasurer Angela Genin is working on the paperwork to get the chapter officers covered.

**Instructor Certification Program:** Motion made by Jenni McMahon and seconded by Pam Doolittle to table discussion until Stephanie Severn obtains more information from the USDF on the revamping of the program. Passed unanimously.

**Gerd Zuther Clinic:** Motion made by Pam Doolittle and seconded by Sue Genin to seek USDF University Credits for this program. Passed unanimously.

**Janet Foy Clinic:** April clinic is nearly filled, only two riding slots open (one on Friday and one on Sunday). Mary is confident she will have them filled shortly.

**Policies Manual:** Donna thanked Marie Caldwell for compiling all the information on our chapter policies. Further discussion will take place at our next meeting.

**Announcements:**

Next SW Chapter Meeting: 7 p.m., Tuesday, April 13 at Judd's Green Meadows Farm, Belleville, WI.

Topic: Kate Van Sicklen-Holmes will present "Dressage Protocol," the history behind dressage dress with a fashion show and more.

Marie Caldwell made a motion and Chet Thomas seconded, passed unanimously to adjourn.

**The meeting adjourned at 4 p.m.**

**Submitted by Caryn Vesperman, SW Chapter secretary**