



**Wisconsin Dressage and Combined Training Association
(WDCTA)
State Board Meeting—Minutes
Feb 24, 2021**

Call to Order: 7:04pm

Location: Conference Call

Attendee	Y/No	Attendee	Y/No
President – Stephanie Severn	Y	SW Chapter President – Haley Madden	Y
Vice President – Melinda DeLuca	Y	SW Chapter Rep – Mary Barr	Y
Secretary – Melinda DeLuca	Y	SW Chap Alternate – Rachel Olson	N
Treasurer – Mary Hanneman	Y	KM Chapter President – Becky Rutkowski	Y
Membership – Diane Brault	Y	KM Chap Rep – Morgan Winter	Y
Newsletter – Caryn Vesperman	Y	KM Chapter Alternate – Sandra Malott	N
Webmaster- Stephanie Severn	Y	UP Chap President – Donna Destrampe	N*
Member-At-Large – Nicki Butler	N	UP Chapter Alternate – Tina Ozanich	N
Member-At-Large – Sue Genin	Y	JR/YR Rep – Mary Barr	Y
Member-At-Large – Carol Hines-Stroede	Y	Communications (WHC rep)- Cari Schmidt	N
Central Chap President –Cari Schmidt	N	Awards Committee Chair– Joann Williams	Y
Central Chap Alternate- Corey Winkler	N	Taylor Schmidt	Y

SW- Southwest, KM – Kettle Moraine, UP – Upper Peninsula

* Donna made several attempts but unable to connect to the call.

Agenda

Meeting agenda:

- Horse of the Year Award – Determine whether the board will approve funding for 2020
- Freestyle Awards (awards committee)
- Annual Meeting (March 6) – type of meeting
- Jr/YR

Melinda moved to approve agenda. Motion seconded by Mary Barr, passing unanimously.

A. Horse of the Year Award (HOY)

Earlier in the year SW Chapter indicated that they would review sponsoring the HOY award for 2020. SW had a meeting on Feb 18, 2021 deciding that SW would not sponsor the HOY award and suggested deleting the award for 2020. The reason SW did not want to sponsor was primarily related to the reduced number of people showing due to COVID issues. During the board discussion it was mentioned that the HOY award is part of the state awards program therefore requiring a board decision whether to continue for 2020.

The HOY has not been listed on the website for the WDCTA awards but has been sponsored by KM chapter for four years, so award participants maybe likely to think it is included. Also a concern for cancelling for 2020 was it may result in loss of WDCTA membership.

Mary Hanneman made a motion to authorize the board to spend an additional \$150 to cover the cost of the HOY for 2020. Mary Barr seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimously.

Action Item: Mary Hanneman to purchase the awards. Completed.

B. Freestyle Award – Joann Williams

Clarification was made on what was to be included in the Freestyle award.

Caryn made a motion that the freestyle award would consist of the Amanda Johnson sponsored award and supplemented by a WDCTA ribbon while the award remains sponsored. When sponsorship ends, the Freestyle award will receive a WDCTA award and ribbon. Motion was seconded by Diane. Motion carried by unanimously.

Action Item: Joann to send awards update for website. Completed.

Post Meeting note: Joann provided an email with copy for updating the website clarifying what the Freestyle Award would consist of and a motion was made by Rachel Olson on March 24th to approve. Cari Schmidt seconded the motion. Email voting occurred March 26th thru March 31st with the motion carrying.

C. Annual Meeting

It was decided to conduct the annual meeting and awards presentation using Google Meets on March 6th.

Post meeting note: After several trial attempts to use Google Meets it was decided to send out the presentation in advance and conduct a conference call.

D. Jr/YR – Mary Barr

- Tentative date for 2021 Ride-a-Test is May 16th

The clinic is a state sponsored event.

Adjournment

Mary H made motion to adjourn meeting, seconded by Haley, passing unanimously.

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Melinda DeLuca