



**Wisconsin Dressage and Combined Training Association
(WDCTA)
State Board Meeting—Minutes
Sept 16, 2021**

Call to Order: 7:00pm

Location: Zoom Meeting

Attendee	Y/No	Attendee	Y/No
President – Open Position		SW Chapter President – Haley Madden	Y
Vice President – Melinda DeLuca	Y	SW Chapter Rep – Mary Barr	N
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	N	UP Chap President – Donna Destrampe	Y
Member-At-Large – Nicki Butler	N	UP Chapter Alternate – Tina Ozanich	N
Member-At-Large – Sue Genin	N	JR/YR Rep – Mary Barr	N
Member-At-Large – Carol Hines-Stroede	N	Communications (WHC rep)- Cari Schmidt	Y
Central Chap President –Cari Schmidt	Y	Awards Committee Chair– Joann Williams	Y
Central Chap Alternate- Corey Winkler	N		

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

Agenda

Meeting agenda:

- Treasurer report – Mary
- Secretary vote minutes -Melinda
- Discuss WDCTA President and VP nominations with voting
- Convention Attendance
- Discuss using and purchasing using Zoom meetings for board, annual and award presentations
- Discuss WDCTA chapters

Caryn moved to approve agenda. Motion seconded by Becky, passing unanimously.

A. Treasurer Report- Mary Hanneman

Roughly three thousand dollars are maintained in the state checking account. Money is moved into and out of the checking account from the money market account. The following documents were reviewed.

1. Check register - deposits & expenses to-date
2. Investor's Advantage (money market) register to-date
3. Membership Savings account register
4. Income Statement
5. Balance Sheet

B. Secretary – Melinda

A motion by Mary was made to approve the March 2021 annual meeting minutes. It was seconded by Donna, passing unanimously.

February minutes were not voted on. Post meeting note: The copy of the Feb minutes had sections highlighted showing changes. A revised copy to be provided for Oct meeting.

C. Discuss WDCTA President and VP nominations

The president listed on the USDF website is the automatic attendee of the USDF convention. Melinda called USDF about a proxy attending the convention and to notify USDF the GMO president was currently an open position. USDF stated that the position must have a name on the president's position so they listed Melinda as the president. Therefore the website has Melinda listed for President, VP and Secretary. This is obviously not an ideal situation as discussed but it maintains the GMO for the short term.

Melinda offered to serve as president but there were no volunteers for the VP position. This led the discussion into whether to dissolve chapters to increase volunteers for the state level. No nominations or elections were made.

D. Discuss WDCTA chapters

Provided for the meeting was a list of pro and con issues of chapters which were discussed during the meeting.

Several chapters would like to dissolve due to lack of volunteers. The board would then approve committees for conducting clinics, shows, etc. Ideally two volunteers on the committee would be responsible for reviewing and submitting event finances to the state treasurer. There was some concern that if a chapter dissolved there would not be board representation for the area of Wisconsin. Reducing some or all of the chapters may help unite the GMO. In order not to reduce the number of volunteers on the local areas the bylaws could be modified to increase the number of members-at-large to cover state areas. Further discussion is planned for the Oct meeting.

E. Convention Attendance

Concern was expressed about the safety of the proxy volunteer attending the convention in Texas. The discussion will be continued in the Oct meeting.

Post Meeting Note: Melinda made a request for a motion via email on Aug 23, 21 for Diane Brault to attend the USDF 2021 Convention after she volunteered to attend as the proxy. Cari made a motion to send Diane to the convention on Aug 23 at 11:35 am. Caryn made a motion that Diane Brault represents us at the 2021 USDF convention on Aug 23 at 1:49 pm via email. Nicki seconded the motion Aug 23 at 4:13 pm. There was

no discussion via email. Nine of the 12 board members voted aye between Aug 25th to Aug 28th. Three board members did not vote.

F. Discuss using and purchasing using Zoom meetings for board, annual and award presentations

The meeting was conducted using Zoom in two 40 minute sessions. In order to conduct the meeting continuously for the full length of the meeting a fee of \$15/month is needed to cover the cost. No decision was made to fund Zoom meetings. Melinda stated she would look into providing the \$15 to conduct the Oct meeting.

G. Membership

Action Item: Diane requested that chapter presidents provide information on activities conducted in 2021 and plans for 2022. This information will be used when she sends out emails requesting membership renewals.

Adjournment

Becky made motion to adjourn meeting, seconded by Donna, passing unanimously.

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Melinda DeLuca