



**Wisconsin Dressage and Combined Training Association
(WDCTA)
State Board Meeting—Minutes
Nov 13, 2023**

Call to Order: 7:05 pm

Location: Zoom Meeting

Attendee	Y/No	Attendee	Y/No
President – Melinda DeLuca	Y	SW President – Becky Bebbler-Wells	Y
Vice President – Sandra Malott	Y	SW Chapter Rep – Susan Walsh	N
Secretary – Melinda DeLuca	Y	SW Chap Alternate – Marie Stewart	Y
Treasurer – Mary Hanneman	Y	KM Chapter President – Becky Rutkowski	N
Membership – Diane Brault	Y	KM Chapter Alternate – open	N/A
Newsletter – Caryn Vesperman	Y	UP Chap President – Donna Destrampe	Y
Webmaster- Stephanie Severn	N	UP Chapter Alternate – Lynne Madison	N
Member-At-Large – Cindy Riffle	Y	JR/YR Rep – Open	N/A
Member-At-Large – Morgan Winter	Y	Communications (WHC rep)- Melinda DeLuca	Y
Member-At-Large – Carol McKinnon	Y	Awards Committee Chair – Joann Williams	N
Central Chapter President – Jenna Staffaroni	N		
Central Chapter Alternate- open	N/A		

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

Donna made a motion to approve agenda. Motion seconded by Mary, passing unanimously.

1. Treasurer - Mary Hanneman

The check register, Investors Indexed Money Market register, income statement and balance sheet were reviewed. Central chapter funds have been deposited into the state account after the chapter dissolved. Mary and Morgan are planning a meeting to work on transferring the treasurer position over to Morgan. Morgan will be added to the state bank account with the UW Credit Union by Mary. After the transfer of the treasurer position to Morgan, Mary will continue work on the financial policy.

2. Secretary - Melinda

A motion was made by Sandra to approve the Oct minutes of meeting. The motion was seconded by Diane. The motion carried.

3. Dissolving Chapter Status

Central Chapter

The Central chapter has dissolved but no meeting minutes from the chapter has been provided, only emails from the president. The Central chapter funds have been sent to Mary, the state treasurer for depositing into the state account.

KM Chapter

Since the KM chapter has dissolved, Jill, the chapter treasurer is working on transferring the chapter funds to the state treasurer to deposit into the state account.

SW Chapter

When a chapter dissolves the WDCTA bylaws includes a provision for the chapter to vote for a Member at Large to be on the state board. Becky Bebbler-Wells will be sending out an email to SW chapter members to vote on a Member at Large.

Post meeting note: Marie Stewart has been voted by SW to be a Member at Large.

4. Educational Zoom Meetings -Melinda

Work needs to continue to determine future Zoom presentations.

5. Virtual Horse Show - Melinda

Getting friends together at a barn for recording virtual shows might encourage increased number of participates. It was decided that the form and payment must be postmarked or delivered by March 11, 2024 and submission of the video on YouTube between the dates of March 15 to March 26th.

6. Membership

A letter has been sent out to the 2023 members to join again in 2024. The 2024 roster has been started which includes 17 members. Melinda sent the list of GMO board members to USDF.

7. Website

A discussion on using a website password will included on the agenda for the next meeting.

Work on the website about the affiliated sponsors needs to be updated to show the real sponsors. Caryn indicated she will continue to work with Stephanie on the website and will also work with her on the chapter information.

8. Awards

Caryn developed a survey in which members completed. The details of the survey were reviewed. The majority of the survey participates are happy with the awards program. The survey indicates members liked an in person awards presentation at lunch time with a speaker providing a presentation. A name from the survey participates will be drawn and awarded a \$25 gift certificate from Dover Saddlery. Post Meeting Note: An email was sent to Melinda thanking WDCTA for the survey gift certificate.

Sandra will be the awards committee chair in 2024. Joann is working to complete the information for 2023.

9. Newsletter

No update on the newsletter.

10. Communications (Wisconsin Horse Council)

Carol McKinnon has volunteered to be the primary attendee of the WHC meetings. Melinda will be the second. When Mary pays the bill she will let WHC know about Carol being the primary attendee.

11. USDF Convention

Melinda will be driving to Omaha, Nebraska, to attend the USDF convention in December. The cost of driving will be at \$0.655/ mile. The budget was reviewed with a motion by Sandra to approve and seconded by Marie. Motion carried.

Sandra volunteered to purchase and make the GMO basket. A motion was made by Morgan for the total cost of the basket to be \$250. The motion was seconded by Becky Bebbler-Wells. The motion carried.

At the USDF convention voting for Administration and Technical council will be conducted and voted for by GMO's. The candidates were discussed during the meeting.

12. Annual Meeting

The date of the annual meeting with the awards presentation will be discussed with other local GMO's to avoid events occurring on the same day.

13. Scholarship Funding

SW chapter has a scholarship funding policy. Since the SW chapter is being dissolved the SW chapter funding policy will be reviewed by the state scholarship committee chair, Sandra. Sandra will need to request the policy from Stephanie on the website.

Becky BW made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Sandra. Motion carried.

Minutes submitted by Melinda DeLuca Secretary and President