



**Wisconsin Dressage and Combined Training Association
(WDCTA)**

**State Board Meeting—Minutes
7:00 pm February 12, 2025**

Call to Order: 7:01 pm

Location: Zoom Meeting

Attendee	Y/No	Attendee	Y/No
President – Melinda DeLuca	Y	Member-At-Large – Marie Stewart	N
Vice President – Stephanie Severn	Y	Member-At-Large – Donna Destrampe	Y
Secretary – Melinda DeLuca	Y	Eastern Chapter President - Nicole Trapp	Y
Treasurer – Morgan Winter	Y	Eastern Chapter Alternate - Tammy Risseuw	Y
Membership - Diane Brault	Y	Communications (WHC rep) - Carol McKinnon	Y
Newsletter - Caryn Vesperman	Y	JR/YR Rep – Open	N/A
Webmaster- Stephanie Severn	Y	Awards Committee Chair – Sandra Malott	Y
Member-At-Large – Cindy Riffle	N		
Member-At-Large - Mary Hanneman	Y		
Member-At-Large – Carol McKinnon	Y		

Mary made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion was second by Donna, passing unanimously.

1. Secretary - Melinda

Nicole made a motion to approve the January 2nd minutes with the adjustments made. The motion was second by Caryn. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Treasurer - Morgan

The check register, Investors Advantage register, income statement and balance sheet were reviewed. The dissolved UP Chapter funds were transferred to the WDCTA account. The Eastern Chapter funds were transferred to the chapter's new bank account.

The Berkley Equine liability insurance was paid. It was noted that it is necessary when holding a show or clinic to let the liability insurance know the dates of the event.

A motion was made by Donna to move the money in the coming maturity of the 7-month certificate to a higher rate 14-month certificate. The motion was second by Mary and then passed unanimously. Morgan will work on making the transfer.

2. Annual Meeting and Awards Presentation - Melinda

- Restaurant Hi-Way Harry's in Johnson Creek has room for maximum 60 people. There is an available screen. Cost for room \$125
- Menu would consist of three entree choices, salad and drink. Cost approximately \$30 per person.
- Speaker Stephanie Reinhold on Masterson Method and saddle fitting. Cost \$150

Sandra made a motion to approve moving forward with the annual meeting being located at Hi-Way Harry's on March 29th. The cost to WDCTA members would be zero dollars and the cost to non-members would be \$10. The motion was second by Caryn. The motion passed unanimously.

Melinda will work on the PowerPoint for the awards presentation and the annual meeting presentation.

3. Membership - Diane

There are currently:

- 62 Eastern Chapter members
- 40 General members
- 5 Business members
- 3 JR/YR members

The roster was sent only to the board members that are in need of it. This did not include the members-at-large.

4. Website - Stephanie

Caryn made a motion to reimburse Stephanie for the two year subscription to Hot Template for a total of \$138 as long as both years' receipts are provided. If only one year's receipt is submitted then a total of \$69 will be reimbursed. The motion was second by Sandra. The motion passed. Stephanie abstained.

Tabled for a future meeting is the need for a website privacy policy. Review USDF privacy policy.

5. Newsletter - Caryn

No issues needing discussion

6. Social License to Operate zoom meeting February 20th hosted by NEDA

Melinda and / or Carol will attend.

7. Wisconsin Horse Council - Carol

- Wisconsin Horse Fair on April 11, 12 & 13. Clinicians include J. J. Tate for dressage and Amber Marshall (Canadian actress in Heartland TV series) will be presenting horsemanship.
- In January, annual awards voting took place for WHC equine of the year, horseperson of the year, director of the year and lifetime achievement.
- In March, voting for WHC positions for boards, committees and foundation will take place.

8. Logo clean up and name change - Caryn and Sandra

The new logo with name change was presented to the board. Due to concerns with the font it was agreed to return it to the designer to see if she could make some adjustments. This year's award embroidery will use the current WDCTA logo and name. The name change should take place this year and steps will need to be taken to make the necessary changes in the official accounts and paperwork.

9. Eastern Chapter Update- Nicole

- Next chapter meeting on February 22 will start with a scribing clinic
- Richard Malmgren Long Lining Clinic in March - full
- JJ Tate Clinic on April 14 & 15 - full
- Ride and Review Clinic with Judy Downer April 26
- Dressage Schooling Show in June

Tammy will be the alternate on the WDCTA board for the Eastern Chapter. The Eastern Chapter will send something on the above events to Caryn for the newsletter, to Stephanie for the WDCTA website and will post on the WDCTA FaceBook. Also, events will be posted on the WDCTA calendar. The Eastern Chapter minutes will also be sent to Stephanie to post on the WDCTA website.

The Eastern Chapter no longer uses the NEWDA website. They continue to have a FaceBook page for the Eastern Chapter that is a main source of communication with their interested members.

10. Scholarship Funding - Stephanie

Stephanie will review the current scholarship form that documents someone's volunteer work and clarify the requirements and how to log hours for the volunteer work.

Diane made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was second by Mary. Motion carried.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Carol McKinnon. Member-At-Large.

Tabled for a future meeting were: Educational Zoom Meetings, Clinics and Events and Virtual Horse Shows.