

North Louisiana Equestrian Association
Board Meeting
September 20, 2010

Members present: Martha, Donna, Paul, Erin, Wendy, Rae, Katie

Absent: Sig, Judy, Amanda, Megan, Hal, Maggie (all excused)

Meeting called to order: 7:06 pm

Wendy reports 59 entries from the club show and about \$150 average per person.

The jumps need to be away after the show. Everyone thought the jumps looked great. Everyone was also most excited about the water truck! A big thank you to Mike Covington and Covington Construction. The club still needs to fix the jump trailer. Holly Hill said they would fix it, however, fixed their own trailer.

Martha handed out a sample ballot that she would like to send out. She has more time than Katie to do the job and will send out and count returns. She wants the ballots to be sent soon and thinks that 14 days should be ample for return. Katie and others think 21 might give those out of town time to return. It was discussed that the ballots do not have a self-addressed, stamped envelope to return, and that those wishing to vote can take the time and use a stamp. Martha will number the ballots as to be accurate to the membership. It was also suggested to have Jackie put a reminder on the website for members to look for and return ballots.

It was suggested that the club have an entry blank available on the website. Katie suggested that it be the new 1 page format that Marty created and needs to be blank, so exhibitors can use for any show. It was also discussed that someone new take over sending out club prize lists as there were complaints about receiving prize lists just days before the show.

Erika Craft created a facebook page for NLEA and Erin and Raegan are fans. They thought the page looks good and will tell other members about it.

Conner Bacon's mom wants to host a show in West Monroe and wants to get a date for next year. It was recommended that she attend the dates meeting and would have to take a date after the standing shows.

Erin wants to put on a slideshow at the banquet and requests trainers or parents email her pictures of NLEA members from show. Erin also suggested a "most likely to..." and Donna suggested baby pictures or guess who pictures. Erin will email Claude Price and ask if she can use his pictures from shows. Erin was also asked to do the banquet invitations as she is on the social committee.

The next meeting on November 1 will set dates for next years shows. Donna reminded the board that Tracy needs to attend in order the have the Holly Hill dates.

Donna suggested that the club use 3 different judges for the 3 club shows. It was pointed out that Jen Shaw judged the last 2 club shows. Katie and Raegan explained that she was a last minute fill in for the original judge booked. The board also wants to put judges on the website and clinic dates for the year. Raegan stated that Double Rainbow plans to have more clinics next year, as well as show judges, and will announce as they book them.

Halloween show at DREC will have fun classes as well as division classes. There will be a costume contest on Friday night and fun classes on Saturday.

Next meeting is November 1 at 7:00pm at Lucky Palace to set next year show dates.

Meeting adjourned at 8:16.

Katie Arnoldy