

North Louisiana Equestrian Association
Board Meeting
December 14, 2009

Members present: Paul, Donna, Katie, Raegan, Sig, Amanda
Guests: Megan, Erin Woods
Excused absent: Jennie, Hal, Maggie
Unexcused: Martha

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm

Wendy Faith called and could not attend the meeting but is interested in being on the board. Judy Craft had also expressed interest in being on the board and could not attend.

Amanda will have ballots printed for the new board and will have members send them to Donna. The ballot will list 14 people and will ask members to choose 11. The board will then assign the 3 others as alternates. The by-laws read the board be made up of at least 7 people, plus 4 officers. The due date for the ballots will be Friday, January 8.

It was decided to sell raffle tickets again. Set-up at the University Club will be at 2:30 for anyone who wants to help. Donna, Sig, Katie, Amanda, Paul and Maggie will help. Erin Woods will be the M.C.

It was discussed that there should be an addition to the points qualification as “any member in good standing”. There are 2 members who need to clear up debts: Just Jack for last club show and Harley Smith who has a NSF check unpaid. Katie will send a check for Just Jack. The board wondered if there is a NSF fee in the by-laws. Raegan moved that if there is not a fee in the by-laws, that a \$25 NSF fee be charged to any non-negotiable check. Motion was seconded and carried.

Sig thinks NLEA should add a mini-stirrup hunter division. Raegan, concerned about the schedule already too long, moved that we combine the short/long divisions and create more competitions for the exhibitors, and still give year-end awards for each division. Motion seconded and carried. It was also moved that we change the Working Hunter division to either be ridden at 3’ or 3’3” and eliminate the Open Hunter division. The fence height would be specified on the entry blank by circling either height. This motion was also seconded and carried. It was stated that the Puddle Jumper division was already eliminated at a prior meeting.

Katie will contact Darla Sanders and Darla’s Creative Cuisine about catering all the shows with the exception of Boy Scout/Pony Club show and the K-9 show. Her company caters all the shows at Texas Rose Horse Park.

It was brought to the clubs attention that some of the jumps owned by Double Rainbow were damaged during the club shows held at Double Rainbow. NLEA will pay to repair jumps, Katie or Raegan will submit receipts.

Tracy at Holly Hill needs to be contacted about where the other NLEA jump trailer is. The original board members remember there being 2 trailers owned by the club. Sig will ask her nephew about fixing the existing trailer as it needs to be modified to hold standards, poles and cups. It also needs new tires. It was suggested that a tool-box be installed to hold tools, wasp spray, etc. and be for club use only. It was also brought to the clubs attention that riders and trainers not members of NLEA had been using the clubs jumps that are stored at Holly Hill. Sig will contact Marty about meeting minutes from Red River club meetings about an old inventory list.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Katie Arnoldy