

## GLASS-ED MEETING

Sunday, December 4, 2022

- I. **Call to Order-** 6:15 p.m.
  
- II. **Establish Quorum-**  
Amanda Pitsch, President; Janice Smith, VP; Carmen Medina, Secretary; Tereasa Hufstedler, Treasurer; Mary Johnson, Maria Lewis, Joanne Coy, Abby Gogulski, Patti Adams, Joanne Coy Absent: Angela Fowler
  
- III. **Approval of November, 2022 minutes-** Carmen moved to approve, Abby seconded, all approved.
  
- IV. **Officer reports**
  - a. President- Amanda -no report
  - b. Vice Pres- Janice -no report
  - c. Secretary – Carmen -no report
  - d. Treasurer- Tereasa-November report: (Located at end of minutes)
  
- V. **Committee Reports**

### **Audit – Patti**

### **Banquet Committee Report – Patti**

Year-end Banquet 2022 had 57 in attendance at the Olde Mill Golf Club in Schoolcraft. Appetizers, salad and pasta dinner, desserts and soft drinks were provided. Cash bar was offered. \$25.00 per person was collected. Four meals were complimentary for the show hosts and guest speaker, Sue Hughes. Invoice was paid to Olde Mill for \$1440.00 inc. gratuity for the food.

Year-end sponsors contributed \$675.00 towards awards. Our silent auction items raised \$1345.00. Thank you cards went out to all (35) donors and to our guest speaker expressing our appreciation. Cards (40) \$10.00 Stamp roll \$60.00. Submitting bill for \$70.00 Extra stamps will be used for virtual 2023 mailings.

A survey was sent out to our members asking for feedback from our banquet.

17 responded. Results condensed and suggestions, if they rated "poor"

Day: Sunday was the preferred day for the banquet. (14)

Location: Exc to Good (12) Fair (5) Further North would be more convenient. Want cleaner and bathroom that worked?

Food: Exc to Good (9) Fair (8) Poor (1) Consider a no food banquet.

Year end awards: Exc to Very Good (11) Good (6) Loved the Awards. Need better area for photos and slow down so group photos can be taken.

Door Prizes: Exc to Good (16) Poor (1) Not enough winners

Silent Auction: Excellent to good (17) All super comments. Great job, Carmen!

Communication: Exc to good (16) Fair (1)

Most you would pay for Banquet: \$25-\$35 (12) \$40-\$50 (4)

I have not researched a location for 2023, but feel we should move to the Kalamazoo area. Possibly try a banquet room setting, knowing the cost will be more and time restrictions will come into play. Maybe simplifying food to desserts and drinks or appetizers and drinks.

- Mary and Abby added to banquet committee (Carmen & Patti)

### **Clinic committee report - Amanda**

**Bit fitting clinic** - \$100 facility fee

April 29 – Willow Ridge

Educational session – 1 and a half hours

GED members and participants – free                      Non-members \$20

Fees go to clinician and for stalls.

Bit fitting fees (all include a day stall and educational session)

Oral assessment (no bit trials or ridden portion) \$150

Snaffle fitting - \$220 (preferred)

Weymouth fitting - \$270

Bradoon Fitting - \$220

Snaffle and double - \$370

**Equine body work clinic with Fran Cilella** – date TBD – late March? \$300 clinician fee

Bairdcroft – no fee

Approx 3 hours for hands on with time for Q&A – teach some basic body work techniques using live horses. Limited participants due to hands on – 12 total.

GED members - \$25 Non-members \$45

- It was brought up to possibly do capacity of 10 rather than 12 for more hands-on opportunity (possibly raising cost by \$5)
- Also the possibility of adding a second at a second location (possibly Pine Lake)

**New Test Clinic** – GED to assist with advertising/marketing as a GMO partnership. More details after their Dec 10 meeting.

**Ridden clinics** – still looking for options for mounted clinics focusing on riders/tests. Would be nice to bring in some new people but travel costs must be considered. Have been in contact with Sarah Justice from Ohio – USDF gold, silver and bronze medalist, L grad, WD “r” judge. Would require lodging as she is about 5 hours away.

- Was brought up that we should do a ridden ride-a-test (English for new tests) for members though we are participating in the MDA clinic. Amanda is going to reach out to Sarah Michaels, because she is a local S judge for Ride a Test
- With a full Spring of clinics we are deciding if we should/can also fit in a Western ridden clinic.

**GLASS-ED Annual Show committee report – Mary**

Annual Show Committee report- 12/4/22- Mary Johnson

Date- June 17

Judges- Joanne Coy and Jennifer Kotulo

Discussion to sign up for recognized WDAMI show for \$35. Joanne qualifies as our R judge to do the western. The drawback is that we need to tell them who will be the tack check person at the ring. So I need a commitment by someone willing to check bits and tack. There are too many restrictions by WDAA to be able to consider sanctioning with them.

- Amanda provided an in-depth chart that compares requirements for WDAA sanctioning vs. USEF. Mary will look into this more.

### **GMO committee report - Janice**

USDF Convention November 30 – December 3. Our proxy vote has been authorized for Region 2 director, Debby Savage, to assign. Our designated proxy was unable to attend.

The officials page on the USDF web site was updated a few weeks ago, but checking it recently I found it hasn't been updated on the site. I will update again.

USDF encourages GMO officials to join the "USDF GMO Officials FaceBook group".

### **Marketing Committee Report - Carmen**

#### Michigan Horse Expo

Registered for 2023

#### Website

Whinny Widget Form set to no longer take orders

Need to update 2023

Need to update Year End winners for 2022

Not replacing 2022 show page with 2023 until we have more forms/payments

Will update 2023 Clinics page once we have information available

#### Facebook

We are now up to 1,039 page likes

Last 90 days our posts reached 2.8K and had 577 engagements.

### **Membership Committee Report - Mary**

We have 36 members signed up

39 registrations (including people with 2 horses)

Many have signed up their horse but not indicated breed or included breed registration papers. I have contacted them for the required information for eligibility for breed award.

Only 1 person has signed up for the non-participating. Then she dropped it. She thought she had to sign up for being at the banquet.

### **Omnibus committee report - Mary**

Only need to confirm with advertising that the information is still correct with what is put on the web site for advertisers

We will not be giving a free half page to the show hosts in the omnibus since they are only paying \$25 for their sanction fee and they get 2 pages for that. Most of them have space at the end of their pages to include an ad if they want.

We have not gotten very many professional listing and Facility listings. They are only \$10. Please check with barns and trainers near you and see if we can get more listings

Omnibus ad forms are on the web site.

### **Point Keeper Committee report - Mary**

We need to decide if we are keeping the single highest score as the Hi % award or if we will be averaging the scores? ADA and USDF average their scores. MDC drops high and low and averages the remaining. I would like to see us switch to averaging.

- Mary is going to send a new points chart for online vote.
- Changing high % scoring to an average of all scores. Joanne motioned to vote, Janice seconded.

### **Show Committee Report - Carmen**

2023 Show Host Renewal Turned In:

Pine Lake – May 20

Pine Lake – September 9

Verbal Commitments, No Paperwork:

Rivendell – May 27,28

Willow Ridge – June 23,24

Derbyshire – June 25

Countryside – July 15

Rainbow Riders / Linda Cooper – July 24

Annual Show Date:

June 17

Other 2022 Show Hosts:

Lone Tree is out for now.

**Show Evaluations – Abby**

Nothing new until closer to show season

**Year End Awards report - Mary**

Trunks & Logos        \$262.67

Certificates        \$57.81

Rosettes        \$563.59

Fleece        \$696.80

Totes        \$575.62

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Total=        \$2156.49

As side information- The New loud speaker system Is from the Guitar Acoustical center in Portage.

It cost \$185.20

**Virtual Shows – Teresa**

- Changing to May – August
- Discussed more communication when entries.

VI. Old Business:

- Margaret Spencer Memorial Trophy/award – do we want to roll this into a free ride/participation in one of our clinics? How do we determine who gets it? Need to address, or dissolve funds for another use. Will wait until clinics are announced and go from there with providing a free clinic.
- Logo – Maria will work on this after Christmas. Maybe 2024?

VII. New Business:

- L Program – create education fund with proceeds. Session A. October 14-15 2023. Session B. Dec 9-10 2023. Session 3 March 9-10 2024. Faculty – Maryal Burnett, Debbie Rodrigues, Kathy Rouse. Willow Ridge – facility. Looking for conference rooms.
- This year – GED 30 years. Any ideas on ways to celebrate? No ideas
- Vote – Remove non-member fees for horse shows in the 2023 season. Carmen motioned to vote, Janice seconded. Approved. Going to approach Wyn and Reins of Life for 2023 show sanctioning.

Next meeting - January 8 6:30p meeting

Motion to close – Carmen made motion to close. Tereasa Seconded. Meeting adjourned 7:56 pm.

Minutes submitted by Carmen Medina, Secretary

**Glass-Ed November 2022 Financial**

5/3 Bank		5/3 Deposit breakdown
Beginning Balance	\$10,412.11	\$12,500 PayPal 60 Widget 375 Auction 100 Banquet 901 Memberships
Checks	1,857.70	
Withdrawals/Debits	1,383.62	
Deposits PayPal	13,936.00	
Ending Balance	<u>\$21,106.79</u>	
Pending Deposits	\$97.79	MSUFCU closing of account
	465.00	(\$285 auction \$180 banquet)
Spent	\$808.00	in USDF Fees
	575.62	in awards
	13.80	USPS
	55.00	Evelyn Bremer membership refund (winner, winner)
	130.00	Pine Lake ground rental
		68.90 Action Print
		150.00 Sue Hughes
		1440.00 Olde Mill

**Zettle** November 2022

**Transaction Report**

Date	Total	Fee	Net	Description
11/5/2022	\$45.00	\$1.12	<u>\$43.88</u>	Primary Junior
			<u>\$43.88</u>	
11/6/2022	\$24.00	\$0.64	\$23.36	board renewal membership
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11/6/2022	\$55.00	\$1.35	\$53.65	membership
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11/6/2022	\$55.00	\$1.35	\$53.65	membership
11/6/2022	\$55.00	\$1.35	\$53.65	membership
11/6/2022	\$65.00	\$1.58	\$63.42	Primary Junior, Additional family member (same address)
11/6/2022	\$55.00	\$1.35	\$53.65	membership
11/6/2022	\$55.00	\$1.35	\$53.65	membership
11/6/2022	\$130.00	\$3.07	\$126.93	auction
11/6/2022	\$55.00	\$1.35	\$53.65	auction
11/6/2022	\$80.00	\$1.92	\$78.08	auction
11/6/2022	\$175.00	\$4.10	\$170.90	auction
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11/6/2022	\$55.00	\$1.35	\$53.65	auction
11/6/2022	\$134.00	\$3.16	<u>\$130.84</u>	board renewal membership, auction
	\$1,207.00		<u>\$1,177.82</u>	

PayPal	
Beginning Balance	\$10,859.12
Income	2,189.70
Withdrawals	12,500.00
Fees	39.22
Ending Balance	<u>\$ 509.60</u>

Memberships	\$ 661.00
Auction	685.00
Whinny Widgets	849.00