AGENDA

MNDRA GENERAL MEETING, March 23, 2013

Call to Order

Approval of Secretary's minutes from previous meeting

Treasurer's report

Committee reports: Newsletter-Ken Meyer

MnDRA web site- Diane Merz

Awards- 2012 & 2013

Horse Expo Annual Banquet

Review of UMECRA 2013 general meeting- Theresa Meyer

General Business: 2013 Ride Schedule – 5 ride participation award

Trail Fund award for 2013

Vet treatment trailer

New Business: Novice Clinic in April

MnDRA sponsored management changes

MnDRA completion awards Donation for Rescue horses

Animals restrained during ride events

Election of officers for 2013 Adjournment MnDRA GENRAL MEETING, March 23, 2013, start at 4:05 pm

Board Members present, Lynn Reichert, President, Dale Lunde, Vice President, Sandy Fett, Treasurer, Holly Egerer, Secretary, and Darlene Molitor, past President

Secretary's report, Holly Egerer, copy was printed in the newsletter and copies were available today for people to review, Peggy Pasillas moved to accept the secretary's report, seconded by Dale Lunde, motion passed.

Treasurer's report, Sandy Fett, a copy of the past years club account activity was passed out. Sandy mentioned that we have \$500.00 in the Veterinary fund and \$203.16 in the trail fund. Theresa Meyer motioned to accept the treasurer's report and Dale Lunde seconded, motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS- *Newsletter-* Ken Meyer, willing to continue writing for 2013. Ken still needs people for member profiles. Also he thanked Bob Zimmerman for all the wonderful photos of our members on the trail. If people need to send an "e mail blast" sends them to Ken and he will forward it out to all the members. Make sure to keep your e mail address updated with both Ken and Sandy. The newsletter is put out every other month.

MnDRA Web site, Diane Merz will continue to manage. Theresa Meyer suggested we update the Mentors listed on the website to make sure they are still interested in continuing to mentor new riders and can answer e mails sent to them in a timely manner.

Awards- Sandy Fett organized the awards for 2012; she is willing to arrange the awards for 2013 also. Any member is welcome to help Sandy.

Horse Expo- Bob Zimmerman and Jan Sesena will manage the booth for this April 2013. Bob is looking for member volunteers to help at the booth for several hours at a time. Joan Elbert will be doing the Distance riding 101 presentations again this year; it will be the same as last year with a few new things added. Lisa Lunde mentioned that Jim Masterson will be doing presentations that would be of interest to distance riders.

Awards Banquet, Teresa Fett organized the banquet for this year, Theresa and Ken Meyer will organize the banquet for next year, 2014.

Theresa Meyer the UMECRA President, gave a review of the UMECRA 2013 general meeting.

GENERAL BUSINESS: 2013 Ride Schedule- out and posted on the UMECRA web site. Discussion on the MnDRA five ride participation award. Motion was made to keep the award available and any MnDRA sanctioned ride entry qualifies for this award.

Trail Fund, board voted to award to Pillsbury State forest \$200.00.

Veterinary Treatment Trailer, Dean Peterson, he would like to add an IV pole and a large tent for weather protection when treating a horse. Also a large fan for use that would travel with the trailer. Darlene motioned to get \$200 in gas cards for Dr. Dean's travel expenses. 2nd Dale Lunde, discussion followed, Sharon Hahn made a friendly amendment that instead of gift cards user would send in receipts

for gas costs. Reimbursement would be up to \$50.00, motion passed. Jody Johannessen has 3 IV poles she will donate, Walt will donate a fan for the Vet trailer. Joel Hildebrandt made a motion to have Holly Egerer purchase an EZ UP tent for the vet trailer with a cost limit of \$300.00, seconded and motion passed.

Ride Veterinarian fees, discussion on if we should raise the current amount of \$350. per day, Ed Hauser motioned to increase to \$400 per day, Theresa Meyer 2nd, discussion followed. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS: *Novice Clinic*, Peggy Pasillas, Sue Schedin and Joan Elbert, is organizing this, will be doing an informational clinic, April 6th, in an indoor arena, and then following 2 weeks later on April 20th with a mock ride at a park in Rosemont.

MnDRA Sponsored rides with management changes this year, Ed and Wendy are taking over Run for the Border, Mosquito Run, Peggy Pasillas, Sharon Hahn and Joan Elbert.

Rescue horses in need, Paula Goligowski would like to let members know about the current need for donations for Rescue horses. Discussion followed on the possibility of donations to support the various rescue organizations in the state, would MnDRA be interested in starting a fund for this such as the trail fund. Motion was made by Darlene Molitor, to start a rescue fund to set aside money, managed the same way as the trail fund, seconded by Theresa Meyer. Discussion followed, motion passed.

Animal restraint during ride events, an example, Jill Feller is going to disqualify anyone who purposely has loose animals at her event. Lynn discussed the dangers of having a loose animal at the ride and how it endangers people and other animals. Dale Lunde did not feel that MnDRA needed to make a rule but suggested that each ride manager can choose to do some type of consequence for loose animals, they should post this ahead of time on the ride flyer and let people be aware when they arrive at the event. Discussion followed at great length.

MnDRA brochure for 2013 samples were done by Sandy Fett, she handed some out for members to look at. Sandy is looking for donations to cover costs of flyer. There are some funds left from last year that will be applied to this years cost.

Election of officers, the board discussed changing the bylaws for board members term from a 1 year to a 2 year term, Motion was made by Joel Hildebrandt, President and Secretary will be a 2 year term voted this year and the Vice President and Treasurer next year, 2nd by Darlene Molitor, discussion followed, motion passed. Nominations for President asked by Dale Lunde, Jody Johannessen nominated Teresa Fett, seconded. Nominations for Secretary asked by Lynn Reichert, Theresa Meyer nominated Holly Egerer, seconded, all voted yes.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Dale Lunde, seconded by Darlene Molitor, adjourned at 5:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Holly Egerer, secretary for MnDRA