

Annual meeting & Awards Banquet

Nov 16, 2019 @ Redmile Racetrack Lexington, KY

Members present - Bonnie Becht, Bill Kraatz, Sheila Woerth, Cari Wosinski, Allison Deaton, Jill Dixon, Michelle Morehead, Ellen Murphy, Karen Moore, Ruby Tevis, Alex Belton

Members not present - David Talley, Glenn Reed, Kelly Azar

Meeting called to order - 7:30 p.m.

B Kraatz gave a recap of 2019 shows & clinics --

KDA watched costs very closely and kept them as low as possible; we had a scribing clinic in Feb, Gwen Poulin clinic in June and Lilo Fore clinic in August.

Gwen Poulin and Lilo Fore are already booked for us in 2020, March 6th & 7th we will be hosting a Looney Toons freestyle clinic

MOA (KHP agreement) - KDA has still not heard back yet from the horse park; if it does come back approved from the horse park KDA will need major fundraising.

Membership - Currently we have 182 members broken down as follows -- 40 open; 95 AA; 21 youth; and 7 non compete. In 2019 KDA lowered the dues for non members. We already have 31 members for 2020.

KDA has evolved from a "horse club" to basically a small business. More than \$400,000.00 passes thru KDA bank accounts. KDA will continue to cut costs wherever possible.

In 2019 the BoD voted and approved a "3 signature policy" on all contracts entered into on behalf of KDA greater than \$500.00 for contract to be valid. This is to be more transparent to everyone.

Financials - M Morehead --

Since Jan thru Dec is the calendar year, M Morehead presented a 2018 final budget since 2019 isn't over yet. 2018 projected income was \$35,000.00; actual income was \$14,000.00; 2019 projected budget was \$19,000.00 loss; actual so far is \$16,000.00 profit; KDA had increased sponsorship, no \$5,000.00 Young rider grant, multiple clinics and 2 schooling shows which helped turn a profit this year rather than a loss. We also received a USDF grant which helped our profit. For the 2020 budget we are adding \$1000.00 to the Jr/YR committee so E Murphy and R Tevis can get more youth involved.

In the Raymond James CD account we initially had \$45,000 currently it is \$46,766. KDA invested \$75,000 from DC fund money and it currently is \$77,147. Between KDA checking and Raymond James and DC fund we currently have \$274,739.00

Grants & Awards - A Deaton - KDA had 1 application for the \$5,000.00 young rider grant. The recipient of that grant is Ruby Tevis. R Tevis is also KDA's Jr/YR rep and was also awarded the USDF Youth Volunteer of the Year!! Way to go Ruby :)

There were (6) \$750.00 education grants awarded - 1-Open, 3-AA, and 2-Jr. The open winner is Rebecca Minghari; 3 AA winners are Cathy Jacobs, Samantha Berkhofer, and Jill Dixon; 2 Jr winners are Ella Berkhofer and Julia Magsam.

Looking ahead to 2020 - B Kraatz --

2 ad hoc committees were named in 2019 -- One to discuss possible merger between KDA and Louisville Dressage Society. LDS has amazing educational clinics. The 2nd ad hoc committee will look into the Flying Cross Horse Park as a possible venue for our shows in the future. KDA wants to make a bigger outreach and have better inclusion of other areas in the state - hence the name Kentucky Dressage Association, all decisions within KDA will be discussed and voted on as a group (committee & board), BoD meetings will be held in different locations occassionally throughout the year (Louisville and Northern KY). This is to accommodate all members. Thank you to Carriage Association of America for the facility for KDA meetings. Lots of opportunities for volunteer hours - awards, impulsion, banquet, sponsorship, shows, etc. Members are always welcome at meetings.

New BoD members - J Dixon announced the winners for the 2019 election KDA President - Bill Kraatz; Secretary - Bonnie Becht; Show Committee Chair - Sheila Woerth; Membership Chair - Jennifer Harber; 3 At-Large Board members - Alex Belton, Amelia Jean Foster, and Ashley Holden. Congrats to everyone!!!

Meeting adjourned 7:58 p.m. - motion B Becht, 2nd E Murphy