Annual Meeting Minutes Black Prong Equestrian Center June 24, 2017

1. The annual meeting was called to order by President Maria Florkiewicz @ 12:30 pm

2. Vice President's Report: (Lindsay) Thank you everyone for getting your nominations in on time! HOF and Special Awards hope to go smoothly.

3. Corresponding Secretary's Report: (Lindy Griffith)

a) Corresponding Secretary's Report with the Annual Meeting Minutes from June 25, 2016 was reviewed. There were no questions, concerns or comments. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Leatha Flowers and seconded by Donna Norman. No one opposed so the minutes were approved.

4. Treasurer's Report: (Kim Huck)

- a) Treasurer's Report for the 2016 2017 seasons was reviewed. Questions from the membership included a request to clarify the \$2300 loss this year. The new Website and purchase of trail markers were the major expenses. The website is listed under advertising. At this time the discussion of the website was postpone to a later time in the meeting.
- b) A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Penny Staffney and seconded by Doug Shearer. No one opposed, so the treasurer's report was approved.

5. Membership Update: (Carol Thompson. and Kim)

- a) Carol reminded membership that only current SEDRA Members can vote and requested everyone to please pay their dues if they hadn't done so already.
- b) Membership was asked to comment regarding having personal information listed on the website. Membership login would be required to obtain the information. Please let Kim Huck know if you do not want to have any or all of your information on the website. The membership form has an opt out section for the directory information. You can also contact Kim via email if you would like to change your status. At this point, the website doesn't have a log in nor will personal information be displayed. Membership voting would be required prior to listing any membership information. Membership will have ample opportunity to opt out before personal information would be listed.

6. Sanctioning Secretary's Report (Tom Florkiewicz)

a) Tom presented a summary for 2016-2017 ride season. This year there were 20 Endurance rides 5 CTR's. For the upcoming ride season please note Blackwater is not SEDRA Sanctioned yet, but they still have plenty time to submit the forms to sanction as the ride is not until November. A question was raised regarding user friendliness of the website calendar. Tom shared that to get an inclusive list similar to our previous website, members need to highlight the agenda section of the website to list all rides. Addition discussion about the website was deferred to the Old Business part of the meeting. Several important purchases were made this year including 2 water troughs and 2 sponge troughs that were provided for the ride managers. Carol Thompson purchased a clock and trail markers were purchased in bulk to save money. We now have ample markers!

7. Committee Reports

- a) Protest Committee (Lucy Hood) No protests this season
- b) Appeals Committee (Jodie Moore) No appeals this Season
- c) Judges and Judging Committee (Tom Florkiewicz)
 - i. Multi-Day Rides -
 - ii. Holds/trotting on multi day rides if riders are able to get the vet's attention, they will be able to do your trot in under saddle. Doug Shearer shared his opinion as a judge; he prefers to see consistency with trot-ins on the ground and not under saddle. He is concerned that inexperienced judges could miss things by doing the trot in under saddle. Also, the footing could be an issue; it would be difficult to know if the horse was off or if the ground wasn't consistent.
- d) Public Relations Committee (Lindy Griffith) No Report
- e) Drug testing Committee (Denise Secino) Member: Tom Florkiewicz Tom reported on the SEDRA continued policy on drug testing. All horses were randomly selected for drug testing and all results came back negative. Of the 5 CTRs held, two rides were drug tested. We are still testing with University of Florida. Tom drove the tests to UF which saved the club money.
- f) Trails Preservation Committee: (Doug Shearer) Doug presented an update of The Greenway. Paved trails are going through, but they will not impact equestrians. We will end up with more trails. They have started digging the trail under 484, Ross Prairie to Shangri-La. Having paved trails also facilitates getting emergency vehicles into the forest. We need more help and volunteers in every forest in this State to help keep trails open. Even if you only do this once a year, Please consider doing your part in your area to help keep our trails open. We have been successful getting more trails. We need to keep them open. Lindsay Campbell mentioned that Back Country Horseman is a great group to join and support. We have 4 Back Country Horseman groups in the state Altoona, Two in the Withlacoochee, One in Citrus and one in Live Oak.
- g) Rules Committee: (Carol Thompson) The rules that were voted on by the General Membership last year were put into the rule book within the 90 days. There were no meetings this past year.
- h) Nominating Committee: (Tom Florkiewicz)
 - i. The proposed slate of Officers, directors, and alternate Directors were presented to membership. Doug Shearer was nominated from the floor. Voting instructions were provided.

Members were instructed to remove the page with the directors from their agenda, to add Doug's name to the ballot and write the number from your ballot on top of the page. Members were instructed to place a check mark next to or circle around the board member they were voting for and turn in their ballots. Ballots were counted during the meeting. Doug Shearer is taking James (Duffy) Willard's position on the board. The approved board for 2017 – 2018 is as follows:

Officers	Directors	Alternate Directors
President – Chris Littlefield	Maria Florkiewicz	Ed Casillas
Vice President – Lindsay Campbell	Tom Florkiewicz	Leah Greenleaf
Corresponding Secretary – Linda Kropp	Lucy Hood	Jodie Moore
Treasurer – Kim Huck	Kim Minarich	
Awards Secretary – Carol Thompson	Doug Shearer	
Sanctioning Secretary – Debbie Parsons-Holt		

8. Special Awards Voting:

Maria Florkiewicz asked members to review the nominee Bios on the following Special Awards. Membership voted on:

- Cathy Booth Memorial Horsemanship Award
- Mickey Blanford Excellence in Competition Award
- King's OCS Lad Memorial Trail Horse Award

Prior to voting Lindsay Campbell read the list of criteria for each special award category prior to ballots being cast.

- 9. Voting on proposed rule changes for 2017-2018: Tom Florkiewicz gave an explanation of the proposed rule changes.
 - a. An error was clarified prior to voting. The first proposed rule part 3 was worded incorrectly. Annual high point award should not be included as an award under the addition of NATRC miles. Proposed rule should have stated:

"If the equine is passed as fit to continue, the rider/driver/equine will receive mileage only credit which will count towards SEDRA Miles year-end awards. (Lifetime mileage for Horse and Rider, Annual Versatility and High Mileage Horse)"

Members were instructed to cross out Annual High Point on the ballot prior to voting.

b. Discussion ensued around concerns were raised about the rider's ability to choose between vet and trail judge trail judge at the rider's discretion. The concern was that the rider could choose who they wanted to examine their horse. Concerns were also raised regarding NATRC mileage at minimal investment winning high dollar awards.

Rules were voted on and all passed. Approved rule changes are as follows:

SEDRA Approved Rule Changes 2017 – 2018

The rider/driver will complete the competition under SEDRA rules/guidelines with the following exceptions:

- 1. Mileage Only riders will use the mileage only division score sheet, and at check in/out, may optionally trot their horse straight out and back. At the Judge's discretion, they may be required to circle their horse. They will use the score sheet that identifies them as Mileage Only, and will be judged on a Pass/Fail basis
- 2. The end of ride check of the equine at the CRI will include the "Fit to Continue" evaluation which may be accomplished by either the Trail Judge or the Veterinarian judge at the rider's discretion. The metabolic safety check must be accomplished by the Veterinarian ONLY. If the equine was selected for blood testing, it will be performed at this time. The equine is then released from the ride.
- 3. If the equine is passed as fit to continue, the rider/driver/equine will receive mileage only credit which will count towards SEDRA Miles year-end awards. (Lifetime mileage for Horse and Rider, Annual Versatility, and High Mileage Horse)
- 4. Any devices for protection of equines' legs (interference boots, bandages, etc.) or any hoof boot that covers the coronary band is allowed.

Paragraph "E"

ECTRA, AHA, AERC, NATRC, and SEDRA sanctioned rides/drives may count for mileage, subject to SEDRA awards program requirements.

Paragraph "C"

To receive Mileage credit for an ECTRA, AHA, or NATRC ride/drive that is not SEDRA sanctioned, the rider/driver must provide a copy of the score sheet signed by the Ride Official, to the Awards Secretary.

5. To receive mileage credit for an AERC or FEI ride that is not SEDRA, ECTRA, NATRC or AHA Sanctioned, the rider must:

a. Provide a ride card signed by a ride official, or copy of published ride results to the Awards secretary.

b. Pay a \$5 fee per ride (or \$20 per ride season).

7. Other competitive Trail ride sanctioning organizations may apply to be included with the existing approved Competitive Trail Ride sanctioning organizations using the SEDRA Rule Making Process. Current approved Competitive Trail Riding Organizations are: AHA, ECTRA, and NATRC 8. Competitive Trail Rides not sanctioned by an approved organization must be submitted to the SEDRA BOD for consideration on a Case by Case basis. If approved by the SEDRA BOD the Rider/driver must:

a. Provide a ride card signed by a ride official, or copy of published ride results to the Awards Secretary.

b. Pay a \$5 fee per ride (or \$20 per ride season)

- 10. Lifetime membership was voted on. All three nominees were approved to receive lifetime SEDRA memberships. Congratulations to Pat Thomas, Jewel Griffin and Norma Caron.
- Results from membership vote for SEDRA Special Award Winners for 2016 2017 Season: Cathy Booth Memorial Horsemanship Award – Leah Greenleaf Mickey Blanford Excellence in Competition Award – Maria Florkiewicz Kings OCS Lad Memorial Trail Horse Award – Coup
- 12. Hall of Fame Awards for 2016 2017 Season:

Hall of Fame Horse - Precious Beaunita (Bobo) Hall of Fame Rider – Butch Duval Hall of Fame Horse and Rider Team - Locomotion Lassie and John Shaw

- 13. Old Business:
 - a. Data Base is still in progress. (Carol Thompson)
 - b. SEDRA team forms are available with Kim Huck members were requested to see Kim and submit your team entry form for next season.
 - c. The Website is up and running and still improving. To communicate current issues you are experiencing with the website please email: <u>Sedraprez@yahoo.com</u> This is an email Chris, our new President has set up to enhance communication. Please send email to Chris Littlefield. It was suggested that a survey could help nail down and prioritize key issues. Concerns regarding the website were shared by membership. They are as follows:
 - i. The website is not at all user friendly.
 - ii. The Ride Calendar is difficult to navigate. Members do not like the month by month display. It was communicated that if you click on agenda, it will show all rides. A suggestion was made to change the word agenda to a more intuitive name that would describe it lists all rides.
 - iii. The Ride calendar should link to ride entry forms, directions and ride websites.
 - iv. It was suggested that the Ocala Mountain Bike club website is very intuitive and a great example of how our website could be.
 - v. The annual agenda and time for meeting should be included on the calendar.
 - vi. Send email/contact members to <u>Sedraprez@yahoo.com</u> for feedback for website including calendar to capture feedback from the membership. Perhaps we should recruit members to help with website.
 - vii. Include a Facebook window on website to keep members (even non Facebook members) to view the current comments (can see this on the Ocala Mountain Bike Club Site).
 - viii. Have a place on the website for announcements
 - ix. Calendar should provide better customer service for ride managers and participants directions, information.
 - x. Suggestion of a survey, possibly on Facebook Kim Huck and Caren Stauffer are the SEDRA administrators. Member posts come up on the side of the page for guest comments and Admin comments go on the main page. If you would like comments on main feed please request an admin to do this for you.

- xi. It was suggested that all communication be inclusive for people not on Facebook
- xii. A suggestion on how to link rides to AERC was provided go to ride results to copy and paste ride details to SEDRA Page.
- 14. New Business:
 - a. FHA/Report: (Tom Florkiewicz)

The FHA Clinic had 19 people attend, 50% competed in the IDR as a CTR 50% as an Endurance Ride. It all worked out really well. The FHA 25 held at Doug and Michelle's was highly successful. Thanks Doug and Michelle!!!

The FHA 100 was a very good ride. The Florida Horse Park worked well with ride management. Overall the ride lost a little money but had great food!

- b. Jodie Moore proposed a Recognition Program of Exceptional Horses in FHA's 100 past rides. Jodie has been working with Tom and Carol to come up with an award for past, far past to be presented at the SEDRA Banquet. Current thought is that the recipients would need to be both SEDRA and FHA members. Timeline for the award would start with the inception of SEDRA at this point. This is a work in progress.
- 15. Accomplishments the past two years:
 - a. The rule book has been kept current. Rules that passed last year were put into the rule book within the 90 days.
 - b. The Rules Committee is a Bona Fide Committee.
 - c. The criteria for HOF and Special Awards have been developed and are on the website.
 - d. The Drug testing policy has been fully implemented.
 - e. The Sanctioning Process has been implemented.
 - f. New website

Wrap up - A Call for motion to adjourn was made by Penny Staffney, which was seconded by Shawn Polk. No one opposed. The meeting was adjourned @ 2:26 pm.

INCOME AND EXPENSE SUMMARY

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Ordinary Income/Expense		e standard a traditional de la constante de la c
Income		
Advertising Program	32.00	759.50
Awards Program (1)	1,599.00	1,430.00
Educational Program	138.00	2,592.50
Miscellaneous Income	20.00	25.00
Sanctioning Program (2)	960.00	1,895.00
SEDRA Membership Program (3)	4,150.00	4,026.00
Trails Preservation	237.00	225.50
Total Income	7,136.00	10,953.50
Gross Profit	7,136.00	10,953.50
Expense		
Advertising Program Expense (4)	2,779.99	829.00
Award Program Expense	4,552.69	5,302.95
Educational Program Expense	45.00	2,471.56
Membership and Administrative	1,308.10	1,402.68
Sanctioning Program Expense (5)	742.94	183.75
Trails Preservation Program	0.00	350.00
Total Expense	9,428.72	10,539.94
Net Ordinary Income Other Income/Expense Other Income	-2,292.72	413.56
Interest Income	4.01	3.55
Net Other Income	4.01	3.55
Net Loss	<2,288.71>	417.11

(1)	23 Equine Lifetime Distance Nominations	Form 990-N (e-Postcard) has been submitted
	2 100 Mile Achievement Nominations	to the IRS
	3 100 Mile Futurity Nominations	Organization Name: SEDRA INC
		EIN: 593637533
(2)	20 Endurance Rides, 5 CTRs	Tax Year: 2015
(3)	166 Members – 11 Lifetime, 54 Families	Tax Year Start Date: 06-01-2015
	99 Single, 4 Jr., 2 Non-Compete, 9	Tay Year End Date: 05-31-2016
	new members	Submission ID: 10065520162370463245
(4)	Website - \$2616.25	Filing Status Date: 08-24-2016
(5)	Trail Markers - \$630.00	Filing Status: Accepted

Compete Detailed Treasurer's Report is available upon request!