

## VADA MINUTES – December 15, 2021, via Zoom

The meeting was called to order at 8:02 with representatives of all chapters except ShenVADA.

**Participating:** Sheli King (VN); Sherri Booye (Charlottesville); Bettina Longaker (Charlottesville); Anne Draine (North East); Laura Nelson (Southwest); Alison Douglas (Central); Jessie Ginsburg (NOVA), Robyn Nunnally (SVDA); Anna Simmons (Fred'burg) and members Nancy Lowey, Nancy Doody, Dianne Boyd, Rachel Rice, & Lisa Beckwith

Nancy Lowey made a motion to accept the October minutes, which was seconded by Laura Nelson and unanimously approved.

**Treasurer's Report** – Jessie reported that we have a combined balance of approximately \$166K. This doesn't reflect all the income and expenses of GAIG.

**2022 VADA Yearly Awards** – Nancy Doody reported that the forms and information can be found on the VADA website. Joanne Collins has provided the final spreadsheet of award participants. Members should check the list if they submitted for the awards program. Champion and reserve winners need to select their prizes. The deadline for selection is December 22<sup>nd</sup>. If members do not choose, a selection will be made for them. We have lots of award submissions this year. Banquet reservations are entirely online with payment thru Paypal. As this is a plated lunch, we can't allow reservations after the deadline. The banquet will run from 11 till about 2. Members are encouraged to bring items to support the silent auction. Rachel is still working on the VIP award selection and will send an update when items are available for selection.

**Shel Gafford Award-** Chapter selections are due to Sheli King by January 15th.

**CBLM- Dianne Boyd** reported that there will be a survey sent out asking for feedback regarding the value of the show, including how rider levels are structured. For 2023, there is likely to be three groups vying for the bid as NJ is now in the mix. It's also been discussed about moving the date earlier in September. In 2022, the show will be in NC at the end of September.

**Other Business:** As we are always looking for ways to encourage volunteers and manage volunteer registration, we found out that the USEA has a program for its members where competitions pay a nominal fee and members are provided with all the volunteer opportunities as they come up for the organization. Rachel will research the program and provide a more detailed report at a future meeting as this could be useful for us to mimic. The Virginia Horse Center is holding a CDI the third weekend in May. Anyone interested in volunteering contact Tina. This does not qualify for VADA volunteer hours.

**Officer Nominations for 2022 Board-** The current executive board members have all agreed to run again for the same positions. If you are interested in running, please contact Sheri Booye. We will vote for officer elections at our January board meeting.

### Chapter Updates:

Central- Awards Banquet to be held January 30<sup>th</sup>.

Fredericksburg – Awards Banquet to be held January 29<sup>th</sup>.

NEVADA – Awards Banquet to be held January 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Southeast – Awards Banquet to be held January 22<sup>nd</sup>.

SWVADA- Awards Banquet will be held on March 20<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with their educational day which is open to anyone.

**Meeting adjourned at 9:19 pm.**

**Next Meeting – Wednesday January 19th at 8 pm via Zoom.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Alison Douglas