

RMDS EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 4, 2020

Zoom Meeting

Meeting @ 6:30 PM

Attendance: Sharron Soos, Heather Petersen, Gwen Ka'awaloa, MaryJo Hoepner, Beth Geier, Joan Clay; Ginka Kubelka, Natalie DeFee Mendik; Stan Adamson; Cassandra Dipentino; Jewlee Bellah, Nicole Bizzarro, Kathy Simard; Shannon Lemons; Didi DeKrey; Anclaire Spaulding; Karen Harkin; Michelle Stevens; Katie McGivney; Dorothy Kapaun; Judi DeVore

Proxies: Arlene Rhodes to Karen Harkin

Call to Order-President

Gwen Ka'awaloa

Meeting called to order at 6:33 pm

Heather discussed Region 5 Cancellation – After many meetings with Hipico Santa Fe and the state of New Mexico, it appeared that the guidelines would not lift in September that required a 14 day quarantine for all folks entering the state and the feasibility of hosting the Regional Championships is non-existent. Heather contacted Gwen, Sharon, Beth and Dorothy and made the recommendation to USDF that the competition be cancelled. The USDF Executive Board met earlier this afternoon and approved the recommendation. There were no options or venues to consider for rescheduling the Championships in 2020.

Michelle Stevens moved to have RMDS cancel the RMDS Championships and Open show for 2020, 2nd by Anclaire Spaulding. There was lots of discussion on various topics. **The Motion passed with Heather Petersen abstaining.**

MaryJo moved that we pay 2 White Feet \$1500 for their time and effort with the show. 2nd by Sharon Soos. Motion passed with Heather abstaining.

Discussion of an online virtual show to benefit RMDS. Cassandra will flesh it out and we'll approve the details and pricing structure hopefully at the September meeting.

By-laws / standing rule changes are due to the Central Office by August 31st.

Need articles and such for USDF GMO Awards. Discussion of Gwen getting a write up from Frances on Beverly for volunteer of the year for Region 5

Discussion of how we can better market RMDS.

Stan Adamson moved to adjourn, 2nd by Sharon Soos. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned 8:29pm

**Respectfully Submitted,
Heather Petersen**