

VADA BOARD MEETING MINUTES 5-21-2026 VIA ZOOM

Participating: Sheli King (VN); Bettina Longaker (C'ville); Alison Douglas (Central); Jessie Ginsburg (NOVA); Robyn Nunnally (SVDA); Hannah Bowers (F'burg); Christina Arrington (Central); Laura Nelson (SWVADA); Eleszabeth McNeel (C'ville); Rachel Rice (NOVA); Anne Draine (NEVADA); Sheryl Wyatt (NEVADA); Muffin Smith (SWVADA); Megan Irby (F'burg), Nancy Doody (C'ville), Margie Brown (NEVADA), Katie Kelly (SWVADA), and members Dianne Boyd and Kristine Slovis.

Minutes: The minutes of the March meeting were unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: Jessie reported that our combined balances are 195K. This includes some expenses for the shows, the banquet, and year end awards.

Membership Report: We currently have 458 members. Membership chairs, please make sure you send in your updates to Nancy Doody so that we have for eblasts and send your payments to Beth Rippel. Beth doesn't update to USDF and VADA until she has the payments.

VADA Safe Sport Policy: Sheli gave a big thank you to Christina for all her hard work on the reporting forms. There is a link to the form on the VADA portal and Christina is going to create a "how to" video to help chapters submit events. The reporting form links to a master spreadsheet Christina will have and a template where the individual names of members can be input for reporting purposes. More to come on that. Christina and Tina are the Safe Sport Chapter Coordinators and can answer any questions chapters may have.

DAL Update: Dianne reported on the new biosecurity protocols that VHC will be implementing which include a new disinfectant they will be using and that they will require a health declaration for all horses brought onto the property. In addition to the VHC protocols, VADA will be requiring a temperature check form that has been completed for three days prior to the show be shown upon arrival and kept up with during the show and submitted before departure. Awards will be moved to the old farrier area on the side of the stabling office and the vendors that are normally upstairs in the coliseum will be moved outside. The competitor Pizza Party will be on Saturday evening. Nancy Doody reported that most all the chapters have done sponsorships. She has solicited \$14K in cash and over \$40K in kind for cash prizes and awards, which is wonderful.

New Business: Laura Nelson mentioned that the VHC will be hosting the VA Commonwealth Games July 23-26. It's comprised of many disciplines and for dressage, counted as a schooling show. SWVADA will be hosting a sports psychology clinic with Robyn Walden on Friday night.

Chapter Updates: PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARE SENDING INFO TO NANCY DOODY FOR THE WEBSITE. It's free advertising for any shows and clinics you're holding.

Central: Two one day licensed shows Friday-Saturday July 24-25 at Deep Run Hunt Club in Manakin Sabot, CPR/ First Aid Clinic June 27 with Chris Craft EMT at Woodlake United Methodist Church Chesterfield, Lonesome Dove volunteer days August 28-29, Patrick Tigchelaar Clinic Sept 19-20 location tbd, Debbie Rodriguez clinic October 17-18 at Saddlebrook Farm

Charlottesville: Schooling shows May 31st at Cedar Creek Stables in Staunton judge Beckie Lynne Mitchell, July 26th at Toad Hollow Farm in Charlottesville judge Michelle Anderson, September 13th at Grayson Farms judge Nicky Vogel

NEVADA: Schooling shows at Edgehill Farm- June 7 judge Jeslynn Vaughn with a free eq class to prep for jr teams, July 19 judge Kat Sepka, August 9 judge Nancy Lowey, September 20 judge Elise Enoch, September 30 judge Annmari Ingersoll (tentative State Fair), October 18 judge Lorraine Evans, November 1 judge April Rivers. Registration for all of these is on www.competeeeasy.com. Nikki Vogel Clinic June 18th at Edgehill Farm

Fredericksburg: Clinic with George Williams June 27th at Hillbrook Farm, Licensed show Dressage At Rose Mount will be held September 5-6

NOVA: June 6-7 Summer Dressage Festival Licensed Show, Aug 2 Schooling Show, Aug 21 Lilo Fore Judge Education Classroom Session, Aug 22-24 Summer Wind Down Shows I and II, Nov 7-8 Schooling Show and Schooling Show Championship

SVDA: Schooling Show Schedule- June 14 at White Acres Farm judge Kat Sepka, June 28 at The Horse Park at Gryphon Run judge Donna Gatchell, August 9 at Harmonia Equestrian judge Lorraine Evans, August 30 at Seahorse Run Farm judge AnnMari Ingersoll, September 20 at Riverbirch Farm judge Jane Kelly, October 31 Championship Show at Airfield 4-H judge tbd

SWVADA: May 29-30 clinic with Holly Linz at Green Hill Park, Schooling shows at Green Hill Park on May 31, June 28 and September 27

NEXT MEETING Wednesday June 24th at 8 pm

Respectfully submitted by Alison Douglas