

**THE AMERICAN DRIVING SOCIETY, INC.  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' WEBINAR MEETING  
May 23, 2013 – 7:00PM Central Time**

***President Freiburger called the meeting of The American Driving Society, Inc. Board of Directors to order at 7:10PM CT.***

**Roll Call/Secretary's Report**

2013 Board of Directors members available for the meeting: John Freiburger, Mary Jo Stockman, William Lawson, Ann Davis, David Sadler, Heidi Ferguson, Francine Arrington, Nicole Cable, Lori Hanes, Katy Rhinehart, Dana Bright, Boots Wright, Jeff Morse, Amanda Horton, Tracey Morgan, Myrna Rhinehart, Mike Arnold, Jennifer Matheson, Elaine Kendig, Maryann Boyden, Wendy Ying, and Audrey Bostwick. Also present was Honorary Board of Directors member Hardy Zantke.

Absent: Veronica Campbell, Karen Garrett, Merridy Hance, Jan McEnroe, Alicia Pierce, Keith Yutzy and Jim Keathley

The Secretary reported there was a "super quorum", that is a majority of the Board members rather than just the legal requirement of one-third. She mentioned this as one of the items, a vote on appointing a new Director/Chair, requires a yes vote by a majority of all Board of Director members.

**Agenda Review**

The President asked if there were any requests for changes to the agenda. Hearing none, he stated that the printed agenda stands.

**Approval of the February 28, 2013 Board of Directors meeting minutes**

The President asked if there were any suggested corrections. Hearing none, he asked three times for unanimous consent. Hearing no objections, ***he declared that the minutes were approved.***

**Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer Lawson asked if there were any questions regarding material that was distributed to all Board of Directors members prior to the meeting. There were no questions. He then stated that he would make a motion.

***I move that \$217,316 be transferred from general funds into the Endowment Fund upon approval. Francine Arrington seconded it.***

The Treasurer reminded members that this subject had been discussed at a prior meeting. In review, all proceeds from the Mikklesen Estate plus \$133,316 of the balance received from the Plummer Estate would be put into the Endowment Fund. The remaining balance from the Plummer Estate would be placed in a Reserve Account and invested.

After discussion, the President asked three times for unanimous consent. Hearing no objections, **he declared that the motion was approved.**

### **Executive Director's Report**

The Executive Directors covered three items: the new office organization; updates on the Members Meeting in Aiken, SC; and her attendance at the National Pedigree Association annual conference in Lexington, KY.

Regarding the office reorganization, a bookkeeper, Judy Sullivan, will work on a contract basis for eight hours per week. A marketing assistant, Maria McGinnis, will work twenty-four hours a week and will handle advertising and other marketing projects. Along with membership, Stacy Carlson will now be assigned to handle licensed officials issues.

### **Presidents Report**

#### **President Freiburger reported on several issues:**

- \*Technical Delegate Round Table forward planning items from the Florida meeting include: standardized emergency plans; improved accident report forms; a space to list date of TD approval in Omnibus; return to play standards; and insurance coverage details.
- \*The membership planning meeting at the Florida meeting
- \*The use of ADS rules by non-ADS shows where the number of officials does not match what is required by ADS and associated liability for organizers and officials.
- \*Discussion of \$50 "local shows" that would not have insurance coverage
- \*Financial support for new events
- \*The need for data collection to be able to make informed decisions
- \*The ADS Driver Education Special Committee is laboring to develop a mission statement.

### **Old Business**

There was no Old Business on the agenda. The President asked three times if there were issues under Old Business that needed to be brought to the attention of the Board of Directors. Hearing none, he proceeded to the next items.

### **New Business**

#### **APPOINTMENT**

**Amanda Horton moved to approve the appointment of Jan McEnroe as Director/Chair of the Recreation Committee, moving her position from acting to full time chair. Dana Bright seconded the motion. The President asked three times if there was any objection. Hearing none, he declared that the motion was approved.**

#### **T.R.E.C.**

**Lori Hanes made this motion: Be it moved that the driving activity known as T.R.E.C. be included in the recognized driving activities of the American Driving Society and that guidelines for this sport be included in the Recreational Driving section of the ADS Rulebook beginning with the 2014 edition. Francine Arrington seconded the motion.**

There was discussion, most of it focused on the issue of placing a recreational activity, with "guidelines", into the Rule Book.

***Elaine Kendig moved an amendment, that the motion be temporarily tabled and brought back to a future agenda subject to review by Equisure.*** The President asked if there was a second. Hearing none, he stated that the motion was not valid.

***Amanda Horton moved an amendment, that just before the word “and” in the motion, these words be substituted: and that the T.R.E.C. Guidelines be immediately posted on the ADS website in the appropriate place for recreational activities, and these Guidelines be assigned to the Recreation Committee for consideration of creating a Recreation Handbook that would include these guidelines and others as decided by that committee. Francine Arrington seconded the motion.***

After a discussion, the President called for a hand vote. The results were: yes – 9, and no – 6. (The remainder of members in the meeting abstained.) ***The President declared that the amendment to the motion was approved.***

With no further amendments, the President returned to the main motion as amended. It now reads: ***Be it moved that the driving activity known as T.R.C.C. be included in the recognized driving activities of the American Driving Society; and that the T.R.E.C. Guidelines be immediately posted on the ADS website in the appropriate place for recreational activities, and these Guidelines be assigned to the Recreation Committee for consideration of creating a Recreation Handbook that would include these guidelines and others as decided by that committee.***

After a discussion, the President called for a hand vote. The results were: yes – 11, and no – 7. (The remainder of members in the meeting abstained.) ***The President declared that the amended motion was approved.***

#### OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Current disclaimer language on the entry form: There was a discussion on whether the disclaimer signatory covers the signatory at and for the duration of a specific event or whether it only covers the signatory for participation with a specific entry, driver, horse, vehicle or any combination thereof. After discussion, there was consensus that the language on the form be broadened to clarify that the signatory is for the duration of the event and for all participation. Further, that the Executive Director insert a note in the Omnibus.

Disclaimer on photography and video: There was a discussion on disclaimer signatures for the use of photography or videos of participants at events. There was consensus that the issued be assigned to the Governance Committee for deliberation. Further, Dana Bright agreed to write an article on this subject for the Wheelhorse.

The President then asked three times if there was other business. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to adjourn.

**Adjournment**

*Boots Wright moved that the meeting be adjourned. Not needing a second, the President asked for Unanimous consent. Hearing no objection, the President adjourned the meeting at 8:30PM Central Time.*

**Submitted by: Ann Davis, Secretary**

**Date: May 24, 2013**