

THE AMERICAN DRIVING SOCIETY, INC. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Thursday, March 6, 2014

President Freiburger called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm Central Time.

On the telephone conference were Committee Members John Freiburger, Mary Jo Stockman, Bill Lawson, Ann Davis, Elaine Kendig, Amanda Horton, and Executive Director Susie Koos-Archer.

Also on the telephone were Merridy Hance, Jeff Morse, Mike Arnold, and Dana Bright.

Approval of Minutes

Elaine Kendig moved approval of minutes from January 23, 2014, with a second by Amanda Horton. The President asked if there were corrections. Two minor corrections were made. Hearing no other corrections, ***the minutes, as corrected, were approved with unanimous consent.***

Consideration of joining with the CAA to co-sign a statement in support of the NY Carriage industry

Mary Jo Stockman moved that the ADS work with the CAA, offering to co-sign after legal consideration. Amanda Horton seconded the motion. Hearing no objection, the President declared the motion passed with unanimous consent.

Report/Discussion by Executive Director

- *New payment Gateway – brief report
- *Web site update – consideration and discussion of a proposal by Cnawlece – Executive Director to arrange a demonstration
- *Booth at Arabian Show in Scottsdale, Arizona –
- *Welsh Annual Meeting
- *Breed Partners next meeting March 13
- *Omnibus –update by Executive Director
- *Changing verbiage on ADS entries to include permission to use photos/video – Executive Director will put it next on project priority list
- *ADS Annual Meeting Blocked Date – Secretary and Executive Director will put a motion regarding this subject on the May Board of Directors Meeting
- *Giving ADS Fund grants to ADS event in British Columbia - Executive Director to seek legal counsel

Preliminary and Intermediate Championship

Amanda Horton moved that the 2014 Intermediate Championship be held at Katydid CDE in South Carolina, and the Preliminary be held at Glen Willow CDE in Pennsylvania. Bill Lawson seconded the motion. In the discussion, Merridy Hance pointed out that neither venue includes VSE. All present on the telephone agreed that a VSE competition be held. The President stated, however, that neither of these venues had offered VSE competition in the past. All agreed that the two venues should be asked. With no further discussion, the President asked for unanimous consent. Hearing no objection, ***he declared that the motion passed with unanimous consent.***

If the two venues are unwilling to offer VSE competition, the President suggested we look to other locations that offer VSE competition for VSE championships.

Copywriting ADS Rules and Tests

Vice-President Stockman reported that she is making progress on copywriting. The members present discussed the issue and agreed that a committee needs to be put together to insure that implementation is done correctly.

ADS/USEF

The President brought members up to date on the issue. Members agreed that he should send the letter, a draft submitted previously to Executive Committee members, to the Board of Directors.

The President declared, at 8:20 pm, an Executive Session on a personnel issue.

The President reconvened the open meeting at 8:38 pm.

Mary Jo Stockman moved for adjournment. Hearing no objection, the President adjourned the meeting at 8:40 pm

Next Meeting: Wednesday March 26, 2014 at 7:00 pm Central Time.

Submitted by Ann Davis, Secretary ADS Board of Directors Date: March 8, 2014