

WDAFL BOARD MEETING  
MONDAY DECEMBER 29, 2025

Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm by Amanda Kopak.

In attendance: Amanda, Brenda, Carmen, Kristin, Robin, Allie, Diane, Joanne, and Jamie.

Secretary Report: Brenda made a motion to approve the minutes. Allie seconded it.

New board members and positions: Joanne Lanzisera, Jamie Parker, and Amanda Kopak. The board elected Amanda as President, Carmen as Vice President, Kristin as Secretary, and Brenda as Treasurer. Other Board members will be board members, the board will discuss potential Committees after the Annual Show.

Treasury Report: No report to review for this meeting.

State Show Concerns: The Board discussed concerns about holding the upcoming State show.

Currently, there are 30 entries. Normally there are 80 entries with a waitlist. Biosecurity measures will be implemented including stall spacing and limited warm-up areas. The discussion concluded with an agreement to maintain a late entry fee cutoff date while waiving late fees.

The Board discussed whether to cancel or continue with a scheduled horse show in light of recent equine herpesvirus (EHV) cases in Florida. Despite concerns from some board members, they decided to proceed with the State Show since it was already scheduled, we had a quorum according to the by-laws.

The Board then discussed logistics for the upcoming State show, focusing on facility fees, judging contracts, and potential cost savings. They decided to run two rings for the show, with one short and one long format, despite the judges being contracted for the full weekend. The discussion then shifted to reducing the number of rings from two to one to save costs, with potential savings of around \$1,200 from reduced judge fees.

It was shared with the Board that there is a person that wishes to remain anonymous that will make a sponsorship to WDAFL for any financial losses if the Show proceeds for the January dates. Amanda will reach out to Nelson's trailer sales to follow up on the potential sponsorship, pending confirmation of the show's format.

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The Board also considered the possibility of adjusting start times to accommodate shorter days it was agreed to organize social activities in the afternoons, such as costume classes, themed contests, the possibility of Freestyle classes and decided to hold the raffle earlier during the meeting rather than at the banquet. It was confirmed that a Stewart was hired instead of relying on volunteers who had previously faced difficulties with competitors.

The Board discussed Membership issues, including duplicate payments and email notification problems. The board agreed that Non-Member riders cannot compete for the Show Awards unless they join WDAFL before the show. All riders and owners must be USEF and WDAA members. We do not feel it is needed for the owner to be WDAFL member unless they choose to do so.

Brenda confirmed she had secured an EMT for the event.

In addition, the Board voted to extend the Show rules to allow competitors to sign up for 4 classes a day versus the normal limit of 3 classes per day.

Next meeting date will be at the State Show on Saturday Evening Time TBD

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Joanne. Carmen Second it. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM