

**Gavilan Chapter CDS Board Meeting**  
**July 8, 2009**  
**Held at Matt & Rebecca Vignieri's Home**  
**7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**

Board Members Present

Jan Carrasco  
Julia Hutchinson  
Kyle Karnosh  
Mary Muellner  
Laura Walker

Others Present

Megan Brooks  
Steve Donnelly  
Zana Donnelly  
Rebecca Greening-Vignieri  
Lorraine Kainuma

## **I. Call to Order**

Julia Hutchinson called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m. and passed out copies of the meeting agenda.

## **II. Monthly Reports**

### ***A. Secretary/Minutes – Rebecca***

Julia moved to accept the June meeting minutes, Mary seconded. Motion passed.

### ***B. Treasury -- Matt***

Rebecca passed out the treasury report on Matt's behalf.

## **III. Old Business**

### ***A. Volunteer/Hosting of RAAC 2010 – Discussion & Vote***

Julia summarized that Glenda McElroy has offered her venue and show dates for Gavilan Chapter to host the 2010 RAAC in partnership. The chapter would have to supply three (3) days of volunteers in exchange for Glenda covering all show expenses plus giving the chapter a \$500 grant in addition to a \$500 grant from CDS Central. The Chapter would also be able to keep whatever class sponsorships we could secure. We would need to supply eleven (11) volunteers per day and sponsor coffee and donuts in the mornings.

The Board agreed that we would be willing to move forward on the 2010 RAAC if we can obtain an additional sponsoring chapter such as Carmel Valley. Glenda

indicated that a lot more people may be willing to attend the 2010 RAAC since the championships are down south next year.

Julia will contact Carmel Valley to see if they are interested in co-sponsoring the 2010 RAAC. The chapter must make a decision by the end of July. Glenda is also willing to train anyone from our chapter in the show office during the show.

### ***B. RAAC and Roll Event Update – Rebecca***

Rebecca reported that this clinic is now called Harmony and the Happy Horse with Peggy Klump. Peggy has offered a full 2-day format option that includes a schooling show on Day 2 and also a 1.5 day option. For videography, we could poll the riders and see how many want to be videotaped and then engage a videographer if desired. Clinic costs are \$425/day or \$850 for the 2 days, plus \$350 for the facility if Five Star is used. The 1.5 day event would cost \$625 plus expenses. Laura's facility could also support the event if a covered arena is not needed. October 24 & 25 are the proposed dates. Julia moved that we go for the 2 day option. Jan seconded. The motion passed.

### ***C. Web Update – Matt & Kyle***

Deferred to the next meeting since Matt is not present.

### ***D. Show Update/Review – Laura & Lorraine***

Rebecca reported that our June shows grossed \$9800 and netted \$1600. We have \$7700 in the bank currently.

Lorraine offered that she had 3 spare bedrooms to host show officials in August to save the Chapter on hotel fees if applicable.

Laura reported that trophies are fine but we could order more blue ribbons.

Jan suggested that we should split classes between amateurs, juniors and open riders and give separate ribbons since the cost of ribbons is not very high. Laura moved that we split class ribbons between Open and Amateur/Juniors for any sized class and award ribbons separately. Julia seconded. The motion passed.

For trophies, the prize list says that trophies are given in classes with 3 or more entries. Megan proposed that the Open and Amateur classes could be separated. Trophies are awarded to highest score in any class of 3 or more. For next year (2010), the chapter can revamp the prize list.

Laura moved that we hire Connie Davenport and Bobby Keville for Technical Delegates for next year's shows. Jan so moved, Julia seconded. The motion passed.

For judges for 2010, we have Louise Koch committed for the June shows. We need an August judge. Laura suggested Lilo Fore, Jane Weatherwax or Gail Hoff-Carmona for the August shows. Zana suggested Natalie Lamping. Julia moved

that the board approve Natalie, Jane and Gail as possible judges for the August 2010 shows. Jan seconded. The motion passed. Laura will contact Natalie as the first option given our 2008 history.

Laura will approach Cory Dean and Megan's friend as EMTs for 2010.

Laura moved that the chapter should continue with Osierlea as our 2010 show facility. Julia seconded. The motion passed.

Ellen Corob is willing to secretary for us. Laura moved that we approach Bob Van Tuyl at the same cost for June 2010 and Ellen for August 2010. Julia seconded. The motion passed.

### ***1. Elections – Julia & Lorraine***

Rebecca, Megan and Zana all volunteered to serve on the election/nominating committee. November 7, 2009 is the chapter election tea. Zana volunteered to chair the committee. Similar to last year, Matt will produce the ballot materials for the committee.

Julia asked if we should consider staggering board terms with 2 year terms. The only term limit we have is a 2 year limit on the chair. During the initial year, half of the board members would run for 2 year terms and half for 1 year terms. Julia suggested that we as a board are not quite ready to make such a change yet.

Laura asked when people need to nominate candidates for election. Julia thought it may be July and will look up the CDS rules for issuing the request for nominations.

### ***E. Update Standing Rules – Kyle***

CDS requested that we delete several clauses of the nominating committee section. Julia moved to approve the changes. Laura seconded. The motion passed.

### ***F. Planning for Next Year -- All***

Julia reported that play days or schooling shows were the most popular events requested in the last chapter feedback survey. Rebecca will do another survey after the August show. Matt lost \$250 on the June show lunches and food booth. Matt will do the lunches for the August show per his prior commitment. Mary suggested that we could ask exhibitors to sign up for box lunches and then go to the Windmill to purchase sandwiches.

Julia reported that Carrie Coe and Pamela Miller informed her that their barn may not come to the August show due to the junior championships down south. This is a concern since their barn normally fills about half of the rides in each of our shows.

For 2010, Laura suggested that her clinician, Peggy Kelly, has a lot of expertise in long reining and has worked with Melle van Bruggen. Lorraine suggested Gail Carmona as a continuing clinician.. Rebecca suggested Jane Bartle-Wilson as a clinician. New tests are coming out next year as well. Mary and Julia suggested a ride the new test clinic with Bill Solyntjes (MN) since he is on the committee to write the new tests.

Laura is willing to host competition clinics or schooling shows at her facility. Lorraine suggested a trailer safety day clinic. Megan suggested Pilates monthly open sessions. Mary suggested a ballet dancing clinic. Lorraine suggested Lily Baker-Lubin and also a tumbling and falling clinic. Julia also recommended the man from the 2009 CDS annual meeting that spoke on disaster preparedness for animals. Everyone agreed that the disaster preparedness seminar would be a good one for Jan or Feb 2010.

Mary and Julia volunteered to coordinate a chapter schooling show in 2010.

#### **IV. New Business**

##### ***A. July/August -- Planning Meeting -- Julia***

See Section III F above.

##### ***B. Gail Carmona Clinic -- Lorraine***

Lorraine suggested that Gail Carmona had provided possible clinic dates of August 13-15, 2009. Jan & Rebecca expressed interest in riding. Julia moved to approve the clinic. Kyle seconded. The motion passed for chapter sponsorship of the clinic given that no financial exposure. Lorraine stated that we will cancel the clinic if we cannot get enough riders signed on in the next two weeks.

#### **V. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

**The next meeting will be held on August 5<sup>th</sup> at Laura Walker's home at 7 p.m. (Mary will run the meeting since Julia will be out of town.)**