



**FOOTHILLS CHAPTER
CALIFORNIA DRESSAGE SOCIETY**

July 14, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Time: 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm Pacific Time

Attendees: Patrice Palmaer, Maureen Lamb, Ana Gilmour, Michele Ng, Erika Pilimai, Isabel Pierce

I. Consent Items

- A. Review Treasurer's Report: Balance is \$25,317.56 end of July before Amelia cashed her check.

II. Old Business -

A. Foothills Chapter Show -October 11-12, 2025

1. Manager: Kim Gotto-Miner.
2. Theme: Barbie goes to Oz
3. License 2025: Ana purchased the license.
4. TD: Mike Taylor \$325/day plus expenses flight/hotel. No one else is available. Maureen to schedule his flight. Ana to send the contact.
5. Date & Location: October 11-12, 2025. (CDS/USDF Championships: Region 7 – (Sept. 18-21) at the Murieta Equestrian Center, Rancho Murieta). Rancho confirmed we can have the same arenas as last year but do not have the café area. Mari will like us to move the location to PEC. adding a 3rd court and 45 trailer in stalls. Some box permanent box in barn, in front and then temp stalls. BOD voted in May to move to PEC every other year. Patrice confirmed that with Mari.
6. Sponsors: TBD
7. Food: Provide appetizers with wine. No dinner.

8. Entertainment: Hobby horse competition. This year was a success. Also, Dog show on Sunday. GaLinda hair flipping like in Wicked.

9. Judge: Bill McMullen "S" Judge, Ana Gilmour "R"

B. Web Site: Ana has access to FH CDS website.

1. Domain: Becky renewed for 1 year. Maureen added auto renewal to debit card.

a) Access to Jennifer Langston and she reached out to Becky.

C. 2025-26 Clinics:

1. Janet Foy: Ana confirmed- Janet Foy for July 19-20 - \$150/lesson; 9 riders scheduled.

a) Location: Clay Station in Wilton.

b) Park trailers where trailers are currently parked, alongside Sandy's trailer

c) There are five stalls available in shed roll with shaving. We need to 7 stalls total.

(1) Ana to coordinate with riders except for those not in the shed barn. Jen Little who will go in brown barn between FP and tackroom – Maureen to coordinate with her. Ana to go into Sharon's barn first stall across with tack room.

(2) Heather Marchman, Laurie Gunlap, Adrias Spano, Rachel Perry, Carmalita Albiani to go into shed barn.

(a) People responsible for cleaning their own stalls & feeding

(3) Nicole Fowler, Tracy Adams to haul in.

(4) Karen Nocket canceled and Maureen to refund her via Venmo

(5) Ana, Laurie need to pay. All others paid. Ana gets one free ride.

d) Releases on clipboard in shed

e) Microphone on desk in apartment, unit is the indoor arena

- f) Maureen leaving Thank you card with blank check in
- g) Hospitality: Patrice & Isabel
 - (1) PJP & Isabel to get coffee, bagels on Sat/Sun
 - (2) Appetizers/wine/drinks after last ride on barn lounge
 - (3) Ana to offer lunch to riders Sat & Sun from Panera in Elk Grove with pre-determined menu for \$20. Isabel & Patrice to pick up at 11:30 am. Maureen gave options to Ana.
- h) Advertising: Need auditors. Ana to send schedule to Jen and send out email

2. Amelia Newcomb: Sandy Savage, Erika Pilimai organized
 - a) June 21-22 at Location PEC. Sandy received 2 rides for organizing (one was Erika's on Eye Candy). \$2,200 total profit.
3. Mike Osinski. 2026 April 25-26, he charges \$150/lesson with 8-10/day. Checked check show calendar (GSDC) and Michele confirmed that there are no local shows.
4. Sabine Shut-Kery: 2026 Patrice to reach out.
5. Kathy Pavlich: 2026 Ana Gilmour
6. Brita Anderson and Tony Sandavol both do biomechanics.

D. Colleen Reid: Chapter can add a note about a scholarship (USDF/USEF program for licensed official) or perpetual trophy (volunteering over the years).

1. Donations totaled \$1100.
2. Volunteer Winner: Nina Clark.
3. Trophy: Harry provided a sculpture. Chosen by Nina & Christine. Needs a new base. **Christine waiting on a quote from a vendor in Folsom.**
4. Combine note to CDS with "Monkey Award" with Reid awards

E. **Dressage Development Seminars (USDF Instructor Certification)**: Formally was USDF Instructor's Certification Program. Sample budget was included in email sent by Michele. Revenues~\$5k, expenses similar so break even is the recommendation, however, 50 at seminar is too many. Fees \$75-100 auditors, participants \$150-200

1. Location: Grace has opportunity to do it at her place on first day with a classroom with demonstrations. Private lessons at Ana's. Mari will look at dates for PEC. We could do them at different locations.
 - a) October Dates in Loomis:
 - (1) Day 1: Flying Changes in Loomis
 - (2) Day 2: Courtyard Ana's in Loomis
 - b) November Dates in Wilton
 - (1) PEC preferred with Clay Station as a back up.
2. Faculty: Heidi Chote & Bill McMullen are faculty. Michele applied to USDF to have seminars. Have not applied for grants however, funds will be given to pay for one instructor. Heidi & Bill to provide possible dates.
3. Auditors: First Day open for auditors but no auditors on second day unless they are demo riders.
4. Dates: Oct 13-14 Mon/Tues, Nov 15-16, 2025 & Feb 7-8, 2026
5. Lodging: Ana & Mari both volunteers for participants
6. Advertising: USDF added to their calendar and will add to Connections, CDS Newsletter added, and on Foothills Website, Email (need all CA CDS addresses)
Action: Jen did email, Becky added to website
7. Demo Riders: Michele needs 8 demo riders; FEI for 3 participants. Isabel, Patrice volunteered. PJP can do 4, PSG, Isabel can do 2-4.
8. Fees:
 - a) Participants: BOD approved charge \$200 in May.
 - b) Auditors: BOD approved auditors charge \$25 for Monday (Tues no auditors),

F. Dover: Michele suggested Dover chapter members attend equipment training for equipment that is legal in competition. Wait until Christy and Michele are finished with their TD training later this year so 2026.

III. New Business:

A. Volunteer Hours:

1. Demo riders: get more hours at least 3
2. Changed minimum hours to 8 per BOD vote in April

IV. Next Meeting: August 11, 2025.

V. Adjourn