

## Meeting Minutes – 2/19/14

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Katie Yaranon. Everyone in attendance introduced themselves, and Katie briefly introduced the 2014 Board to members. Also, a new trainer, Mat Shaffer, was welcomed to the meeting.

### DHA Membership Drive

Folks were reminded of the membership drive and to be included in the 2014 Directory, dues/membership forms must to be paid by the end of February. Membership renewal is \$35.

### EDETF/DHA Merger

There was a brief summary of EDETF's mission and potential changes that are under consideration, which might be to merge with DHA. It was noted that their main focus is trails; however, their philosophies are quite similar to DHA's. Out of their approximate 80 members, probably half of them are dual members.

Jeanne Telaak, who is on the merger team, said that EDETF has an interest in merging, but the club on a whole needs to be on board. As it stands, there doesn't seem to be enough enthusiasm within their membership to put together the Dru Barner fun ride. It was noted that DHA already has a full plate with its own club activities.

They will be holding a meeting on March 6 to get feedback and suggestions from their membership. Other considerations mentioned were their funds and name change. On a positive note, Jerry Scribner has generously volunteered to do all the legal work for the merger at no cost.

### New Business

Linda Stine gave a brief overview of the Mustang Heritage Program (MHP). Anyone interested in learning more about the program may contact Linda. BLM or MHP can also be contacted for information.

DHA will be partnering with GDRD to put on two summer youth horsemanship clinics, one in June and one in July. The age groups would likely be 8-12 and 12-16. The clinics would be held at Cool Hills Ranch. Pam Greer has ideas for the curriculum for the classes.

A list was sent routed around for show of interest (Charlotte has the list). Some items needed for the clinic will be tack, miscellaneous gear, horses, etc.

With reference to the Divide Trail Patrol, those interested in participating in a training ride were encouraged to coordinate with a Trail Patrol member.

Jaci Crowley brought flyers about the soon-to-be monthly Bingo series at the Pilot Hill Grange, which will be a great and much needed fundraiser for the Grange.

Chris Grey gave an update on the Cool Country Cowgirls drill team and discussed having a fundraiser which would benefit the drill team. There will also be raffle tickets for sale, where 50 percent of the proceeds would go to Cool Hills Ranch for the drill team.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.