

ANNUAL MEETING
 CAPITOL DIVISION, USFA
 15 July 2012
 Rockville Fencing Academy
 Rockville, MD

Attendance:

2011-2012 Executive Committee		Present	Absent
Chair	Kathy Guernsey	X	
Vice-Chair	Nancy Stephenson	X	
Secretary	Bettie Graham	X	
Treasurer	Stuart Sacks	X	
Member-At-Large	Vacant		
Member-At-Large	Raymond Finkleman	X	
Member-At-Large	Valerie Asher	X	
CCFC Representative	Jeff Hayden		X
DCFC Representative	Becky Duncan	X	
NIH Representative	Larry Pinkus	X	
RFA Representative	Malcolm Patterson		X
U of M Representative	Kathryn Wong		X
NFFDC	T. Mark Miller	X	
Division Members			
Melanie Carr Knight	CCFC	X	
Nick Ferrara	DCFC	X	
Cindy Sirico	DCFC	X	
Diane Trice	DCFC	X	

The Chair called the meeting to order at 12:15 pm.

1. **Introductions.** The Chair opened the meeting by commending the committee for a successful year and thanking several members for their contributions: (1) Ray for updating the website, keeping everyone abreast of the Division members' results in local and national events, and timely notification of the change in the annual meeting's meeting time; (2) The UM group for organizing another successful Cherry Blossom Open (CBO); (3) Stu for keeping tabs on the Division's finances; and (4) Bettie for her various secretarial duties. The Capitol Division members also thanked the Chair for her leadership during the past three years.

2. **Election of Officers.** The nominating committee, which is composed of one member from each club in the Division, was chaired by Jeff Hayden. The committee presented the following slate for the 2012-2013 year with the exception noted:

Chairperson: Cindy Sirico
Vice Chairperson: Melanie Carr Knight
Treasurer: Stuart Sacks
Secretary: Bettie Graham
Members at Large:
1) Ray Finkleman
2) Valerie Asher
3) Diane Trice (nominated at the meeting)

The slate was approved unanimously by all members present.

3. Financial Report. The treasurer has not closed the books for the 2011-2012 year. His general impression of the finances was that all events made a profit and that the balance at the end of the year should be within the range of \$12K to \$15K. A more complete report will be provided at the next Executive Committee meeting.

4. Highlights of the Year Noted by Members:

- a. The Division had another very successful CBO.
- b. Capitol Clash, a NFF club event, is now an established and successful SYC.
- c. Fences with Wolves, a DCFC Club event organized by Jacob Asher, raised approximately \$5K as part of their effort to purchase collars to track wolves in Yellowstone National Park.
- d. Fencers who participated in Division events appreciated having rated referees.
- e. Referee Wranglers were very helpful to Meet Managers in finding sufficient numbers of rated referees for Capitol Division events.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:37 p.m.