

USHJA ZONE 6 HUNTER AND JUMPER COMMITTEES
COMMITTEE MINUTES
March 20, 2007

Committee Members Present: Beth Miner, Chair, Melinda Antisdell, Vice-Chair, Marcia Bobek, Mandy Miller-Killam, Seth Clayton, Elizabeth Kieffer, Susan Miles, Kristin Rame, Patrice Urban, Louise Otten Chair, Sue Kyllonen and Liza Macmillan.
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Committee Members Not Present: Mary Armstrong, Robyn Eden, Bill Nunn, Natalie Prentice, Brenda Roloff, Kim Barone, Heather Parish (excused), Laura Kraut and Janine Carhart (excused) (9).

Also Present: Melanie Fransen (Director of Programs and Education) and Melissa Pylant (Zone Coordinator).

A quorum was met with 12 members present.

I. Roll Call

Beth Miner opened the meeting. Melissa Pylant performed the roll call.

II. Approval of Revised Agenda

A motion was made to approve the revised agenda. The motion was approved.

III Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. The motion was approved.

IV. Budget

The draft for the budget is due by June 1st. The committee will discuss this further in the next conference call.

V. Adult Amateur Proposal

The committee feels that there is not enough time or entries to warrant another Adult Amateur division. It was also thought that recognizing the Adult Amateur Owner division would cause other divisions to seek recognition as well. The Amateur Committee's first proposal is very similar to the current Zone 6 specifications except that Zone 6 allows the horse to be cross entered if ridden by an immediate family member. By dropping that sentence, Zone 6 specifications would be in agreement with the Amateur Committee's proposal. The committee does feel however, that the zones should remain in control of their own specifications. Ms Kieffer made a motion to approve the first proposal by the Amateur Committee. The motion was approved.

VI. Pony Jumper Criteria

The committee would like to change the criteria to read: Pony & Children's Jumper classes held at Level 2 or above at USEF Licensed regular competitions starting on or between June 2nd, 2007 and June 1st, 2008.

VII. Special Projects Committee Request

The Special Projects Committee is creating a website to list all of the horse related scholarships available to riders. Any committee member who knows of a horse related scholarship is asked to send the information to either Melanie Fransen or Melissa Pylant.

VIII. Awards

Zone Finals awards need to be ordered by May 1. Melanie Fransen is currently working on an awards packet to be mailed. The committee will discuss the awards further upon receipt of the packet. Ms Miner also wanted to remind those with the associates to start working on the USHJA Affiliate Awards program. Jill Insko will be sending out ads to all B and C rated shows for the Foundation Awards. The local rated shows won't be added until after 2009.

IX. Zone Specifications

The committee was reminded to be thinking about any changes they would like to make to the current zone specifications. The first drafts are due by July 1 and a conference call will be held to further discuss this.

X. MHJA Youth Council

MHJA now has a youth council. The youth council has six members and in the future, Ms Miner suggested that they be included on a conference call with the zone committees. Ms Miner would also like for the MHJA youth representatives to speak to the youth representatives from the other state associations in the zone.

XI. Next Meeting: Date

The next conference call will be April 17, 2007 at 7:30 am central time.

XII. Adjourn

With nothing further to discuss the meeting is adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,



Melissa Pylant
Zone Coordinator