

**USHJA ZONE 9 HUNTER COMMITTEE
COMMITTEE MINUTES
March 26, 2007**

Committee Members Present: Dianne Johnson chair, Shelley Campf vice-chair, Colleen Armstrong, Jill Charboneau, Mollie Gallaway, Heidi Snider, Barbara Baierle, Jim Dahlquist, Mike Gallaway, Jessie Jamerson Lang, Meg Skafgaard, John Turner, Vicki Zacharias and Leslie Brown Zock. (14)

Committee Members Not Present: Nancy Marie Free and Steve Sanville (2).

Also Present: Melissa Pylant (Zone Coordinator).

A quorum was met with 14 members present.

I. Roll Call

Dianne Johnson opened the meeting. Melissa Pylant performed the roll call.

II Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting

A motion was made by Barbara Bairle to approve the minutes from the previous meeting and Mike Gallaway seconded. The motion was approved.

III. Canadian Issue Update

Two large pony sections have been added, one for Americans that will be 3' and one that will be 2'9". They are requesting that large and small hunters be available to be measured or have a measurement card. Chris Pack has requested to get a USEF steward to oversee their show in an effort to get Canada reinstated into Zone 9. In the future the committee will vote on this for 2008.

IV. Old Business

Since the Zone specifications are due by August 1 the committee agreed to meet in June to vote on the specifications and the Canadian issue. Melissa Pylant agreed to send out an email to all Zone 9 members in order to let them know about the voting for the zone specifications.

Ms Johnson would like their posting deadline for the Zone Finals to be moved up in order to complete the banquet planning earlier. Melissa is going to check into what can be done to alleviate this problem. It was also thought that the luncheon should be brought back. Ms Johnson asked three volunteers to form an Ad Hoc Committee to look into the zone banquet problems. The committee will be Mr. Dahlquist, Ms Snider and Ms Skafgaard.

V. Adult Amateur Proposal

The committee did not feel that the Amateur Committee's proposal is beneficial for Zone 9. A unanimous vote was taken agreeing that they prefer to keep their zone specifications the same. Mr. Gallaway made a motion that they keep their

divisions the way they currently are and Ms Campf seconded. The motion was approved.

VI. Zone Finals

There is \$3900 left over from last year for the zone finals. Last year Zone 9 spent \$5000. It was agreed that the Oregon and Washington Hunter/Jumper Associations will each raise \$750 for the zone finals if the associations will agree as well. Mr. Gallaway is going to have a warm-up class at his show in the ring that Vicki Zacharias is sponsoring and the proceeds from that will go towards the zone finals. Ms Armstrong is going to try and get the Washington Hunter/Jumper Association to donate.

VII. New Promotions

There are several open forums coming up at Zone 9 shows. A suggestion was made for each horse show to have a non braiding day and instead the entries could purchase a pink ribbon for the proceeds to go the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. It was thought that this could create good publicity for the horse industry.

VIII. Adjourn

With nothing further to discuss the meeting is adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,



Melissa Pylant
Zone Coordinator