



### **USHJA Zone 10 Committee Meeting Minutes**

Monday, January 28, 2019 - 10:00 a.m. PT/ 11:00 a.m. MT

**Zone 10 Committee Members Participating:** Ned Glynn (Co Chair), Kathy Hobstetter (Co Chair), Kay Altheuser, Vanessa Bartsch, Michael Curtis, Katie Gardner, Sally Hudson, Melissa Kalember, Stephanie Lightner, Jenni McAllister, Lynn Mullins, and James Waldman (12)

**Zone 10 Committee Members Not Present:** Denise Finch (Treasurer), Kelly Maddox, and Kelly McKnight, (3)

**Also Present:** April Hammond (Assistant Managing Director of Zones & Affiliates) and Morgan Thibodeaux (Sports Program Assistant) (2)

#### **I. Welcome and Roll Call**

Ms. Hobstetter called the meeting to order and Ms. Thibodeaux called roll. A quorum was met with 12 committee members present.

#### **II. Approve the minutes**

*Ms. Altheuser motioned to approve the October 15, 2018 meeting minutes. Ms. Mullins seconded and the committee unanimously approved.*

#### **III. Annual Meeting Review**

The committee overviewed the notes from the USHJA Annual Meeting. Ms. Thibodeaux will fix some spelling errors and send them to all committee members for their records.

#### **IV. 2019 Zone Representatives at USHJA Events**

- A. HOTY Championships - Menlo Charity Horse Show and Autumn Jubilee
- B. Stirrup Cup Championships – Gold Coast Labor Day
- C. Southern Medal Challenge – Gold Coast Series October
- D. Children’s & Adult Amateur Hunter Championships – National Sunshine Series II
- E. Zone Jumper Team Championships – National Sunshine Series II
- F. Other USHJA Events

Mr. Glynn noted that he will be in attendance at EAP.

## V. Requests for Zone 10 Support

### A. West Coast Pony Challenge and Amateur Owner Hunter Challenge

The committee overviewed a request from Blenheim for funding to support the West Coast Pony Challenge as well as the Amateur Owner Hunter Challenge. Mr. Glynn noted that he is in support of the funding. Ms. Hobstetter stated that the challenges are a good use of funds. *Ms. Hudson motioned to approve \$1,500 for the West Coast Pony Challenge and \$1,500 for the Amateur Owner Hunter Challenge. Ms. Altheuser seconded and the committee voted to approve. Ms. Lightner recused herself from the vote.*

### B. Goodtoknow Horses Events

The committee received funding requests from Julie Winkle for multiple educational programs that Goodtoknow Horses Events offers. After some discussion amongst the committee Ms. McAllister motioned to approve of funding \$1,200 for them to distribute as needed. Ms. Altheuser seconded and the committee voted to approve.

### C. Volker Schmidt Course Designer Clinic

The committee received a clinic host application for \$2,500 to help fund a course designing clinic. Mr. Glynn noted that he has not previously been but would like to know if it is well attended. Mr. Curtis stated that he has been previously. He noted that the clinic was not well promoted and he felt that it went under the radar this past year. Mr. Curtis informed the committee that it is a very hands on clinic that is of interest but should be better promoted if the committee is going to put money towards it. He would like to reach out to Raizy Goffman and see about increasing numbers before allowing funding. The committee will table this discussion and regroup at the next meeting.

### D. Zone 10 Jumper HOTY Championship Awards at Autumn Jubilee

The committee discussed the funding request for the Zone HOTY awards. *Ms. Altheuser motioned to approve of the funding request. Ms. McAllister seconded and the committee voted to approve.*

### E. IHSA High Point Awards

The IHSA has requested \$250 for their High Point Awards. The committee thinks this is a good use of some of the funds to support affiliates/outreach. *Ms. Kalember motioned to approve of the funding request. Mr. Waldman seconded and the committee voted in approval. Ms. Bartsch recused herself from the vote.*

### F. Los Angeles Hunter Jumper Association Horsemastership Program

The committee discussed the \$1,000 funding request for the program. Ms. Hobstetter noted that it is a good program and that there are a lot of people in the area. *Ms. Altheuser recused herself from the conversation. Mr. Waldman motioned to approve of the \$1,000 funding request for the Horsemastership Program. Mr. Curtis seconded and the committee voted to approve.*

## **VI. Specifications**

The committee noted that they like the way the specifications are currently written and would not like to make any changes currently. *Ms. Hudson motioned to approve of the zone specifications for 2020. Ms. Altheuser seconded and the committee voted to approve of the specifications the way they are.*

The committee discussed the memorandum brought to them by the Pony Task Force identifying pony distances. The memorandum asked the committees to list the distances for small, medium, and large ponies in their specifications. *Ms. Hudson motioned to disapprove of adding pony hunter distances. Mr. Curtis seconded and the committee voted in agreement.*

## **VII. Grants and Scholarships**

Ms. Thibodeaux informed the committee of change to online review system. The new system is meant to cut down on the potential for a conflict of interest. The committee is not given any personal information of the applicant, only the answers to the application questions.

## **VIII. Old Business**

There was no old business discussed.

## **IX. New Business**

Ms. Hobstetter asked Ms. Hammond to explain the difference between a Town Hall and a Forum. A forum can be an expert or committee member giving a presentation or speech. Typically a town hall is given by the USHJA president. Ms. Hobstetter would like to hold both a town hall and a forum in the North and South.

Ms. Hobstetter overviewed the Young Rider process. Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup> will be the jog along with the pathway meeting. The mandatory meeting for young riders will be following the jog.

Ms. Hobstetter noted that there is a lot of anxiety surround Prix des States. She stated that they would like to try to develop a Prix des States West program. Ms. Hudson thinks it's a good idea to come up with a program for the kids that can't go due to the dates and location. Ms.

McAllister stated that it would be best to try to fit it into Las Vegas or Blenheim. Ms. Hammond informed the committee that Prix des States is a USEF program and us under USEF purview so USHJA committees cannot change. Ms. Hammond suggested that Ms. Hobstetter should reach out to Jennifer Hayden at USEF about potentially moving to the west coast or doing something to include west coast riders.

## **X. Adjourn**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:12 a.m. PT.

Respectfully Submitted,

Morgan Thibodeaux  
Sports Program Assistant