Members Present: Oliver Brown, chair; Betty Oare, Nancy Frost, Jay Raach, Karan Aurelius, Diana Dodge, Jessie Lang, Tish Quirk, Kimberly Risser, Vicki Hinton, Harriet Schiele (11)

Members Not Present: Sue Lightner (excused) (1)

Also Present: Melanie Mader, USHJA Sport Program Coordinator (1)

Meeting Minutes

I. Welcome and Roll Call

Mr. Brown called the meeting to order; Ms. Mader called roll. With 11 members present a quorum was met.

II. Adoption of Agenda

Mrs. Oare made a motion to adopt the agenda; Ms. Aurelius seconded the motion; Motion carried unanimously

III. Approval of minutes from Annual Meeting.

Mrs. Lang made a motion to accept the Minutes from Annual Meeting (Dec 2019); Ms. Aurelius seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously

IV. Approval of Minutes from January 21, 2020 meeting

Ms. Aurelius made a motion to accept the minutes from the January 21st call; Mrs. Schiele seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

V. Update on Hunter Breeding Video project

Ms. Mader updated the Task Force that Mr. Portener is working on the Hunter Breeding videos from the Handling Clinic at 2019 SBW West. We should have drafts to view shortly. Ms. Mader reviewed the editing of the videos so that there should be 4-5 topic videos available once edited.

A brief discussion was had about the Hunter Breeding 101 video.

The Task Force also indicated that they would like to pursue a “how to” video for Amateur/Junior Handlers to promote safety and basic skills.

VI. Old Business

There was no old business to discuss.

VII. New Business

Mr. Raach opened a discussion regarding the large number of entries at 2019 Devon in
the Am/Jr. Handler class. The Task Force voted to draft a memo to David Distler of Devon Horse Show outlining safety concerns and to suggest that any Hunter Breeding class with 20 or more entries be split, with both classes being pinned separately, and the judges deciding an Overall Champion from the 2 classes if a perpetual trophy is to be awarded. Mrs. Oare will assist in communicating with Mr. Distler.

Ms. Risser discussed the Sallie B Wheeler fundraising, urging every committee member to donate in the amount of 1 groom tote ($125). Please encourage donors to donate in the amount of an item (class, trophy, tote) rather than a random amount. She also reminded the Task Force that it is never too early to begin fundraising efforts and that we need to be financially conscious for the longevity of the program.

The Task Force opened a discussion regarding age verification. This item warranted further discussion and was tabled until the next committee meeting.

VIII. Adjourn
Mrs. Oare made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Mrs. Lang seconded the motion; meeting was adjourned at 5:05pm ET

Committee actions resulting in a recommendation for program changes are subject to additional review in accordance with Board of Directors approved policy.