



USHJA Officials Education Committee Meeting Minutes

January 2, 2018 – 11:00AM ET via Teleconference

Members Participating: Fran Dotoli, Alan Lohman, David Distler, Anthony D’Ambrosio, Karen Healey, Julie Kasle, Mike Rosser (non-voting advisor), Sally Ike (non-voting advisor) (8)

Members Not Present: Chris Collman, Chris Wynne, Steve Stephens, Scott Hofstetter (non-voting advisor) (4)

Also Present: Alina Brazzil (USHJA Education Coordinator)

I. Roll Call

Ms. Dotoli called the meeting to order and Ms. Brazzil called roll. With 8 members present a quorum was met.

II. Approval of the Minutes

Mr. D’Ambrosio made a motion to approve the minutes from 10/23/17. Ms. Kasle seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

III. Annual Meeting Review

- a. Ms. Dotoli provided a review of several topics that were raised during Annual Meeting.
- b. Clinics at Annual Meeting
 - i. Ms. Dotoli stated that many attendees commented that it was a good idea to continue to have licensed official clinics at Annual Meeting. Ms. Dotoli presented that the next possible clinic to be included at the 2018 Annual Meeting would be course design clinics.
 - ii. Mr. D’Ambrosio stated reservations about removing the clinic the Wellington. Ms. Dotoli agreed to research with caution to see if an option would be viable for December.
- c. License Promotion
 - i. Annual Meeting attendees brought to attention that some individuals may be receiving their license promotion too quickly.

- ii. A minimum number of shows based on license was suggested. Mr. Rosser commented that extensive requirements would defeat the purpose of the Mentor Program.
- d. High Performance Guest Judges
 - i. Ms. Dotoli informed the committee that many Annual Meeting attendees were also concerned about guest judges at the national equitation finals. One point being that guest judges do not complete a background check or Safe Sport Training, which is required by the USOC for all licensed judges.
 - ii. Ms. Healey stated that she believes high performance guest judges provide valuable input and perhaps a scribe should be required for those finals.

IV. Old Business

- a. No old business was discussed.

V. New Business

- a. No new business was discussed.

VI. Adjourn

- a. The meeting adjourned at 11:45AM ET.

Respectfully submitted,

Alina Brazzil
USHJA Education Coordinator