



Committee: Hunter Breeding Task Force
Meeting Date: Monday, April 15, 2019
Meeting Time: 3:00 p.m. (ET)
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Agenda

Members Present: Oliver Brown (Chair), Betty Oare, Nancy Frost, Sue Lightner, Karan Aurelius, Jessie Lang, Tish Quirk, Kimmy Risser, Harriet Schiele (9)

Members Not Present Jay Raach (excused), Drew Taylor (excused), Diana Dodge (3)

Also Present: Melanie Mader (USHJA Sport Program Coordinator)

I. Welcome and Roll Call

Mr. Brown called the meeting to order. Ms. Mader called roll. With 9 members present, a quorum was met.

II. Adoption of Agenda

Ms. Quirk made a motion to accept the agenda. Ms. Frost seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously

III. Approval of Minutes From March 18th Call

Mrs. Oare made a motion to accept the minutes from the March 18th call. Ms. Aurelius seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously

IV. Sallie B. Wheeler Championships 2020 Judges – Short list

Ms. Mader informed the Task Force regarding the results of invitations made based on the short list from the March 18th call. Mr. Tony Sgarlata and Mr. Mike Rosser accepted the invitation and have been selected to judge 2020 Sallie B Wheeler and Young Hunter Pony Championship.

V. Sponsorship/Fundraising Update

Ms. Mader updated the Task Force regarding the donations to date and fundraising efforts. Mr. Brown encouraged everyone to seek donors and to utilize the online donation portal to secure immediate funds. There was a discussion about the procurement of halters, leads and items for exhibitor bags. The Task Force will be allowed to obtain these items from local sources (Mary's Tack – West Coast) Quantities need to be large enough to award all participants in a particular category. Task Force members are welcome to approach corporate donors but should allow USHJA to fulfill orders based on the USHJA agreement with these Sponsors.

VI. YHPC Update

Ms. Mader informed the Task Force about the recent YHPC Task Force call. An expansion of the YHPC to the West Coast has been proposed for 2021. The Task Force members discussed the pony demographics on the West Coast. Mr. Brown

encouraged everyone to keep an open mind and to help research the possible interest in a YHPC West Coast.

VII. Rule Change Proposal

The Task Force continued their discussion of the Rule Change Proposal regarding limiting rule changes for 3 years after a rule becomes effective. There were proponents for each side. No motion was made for a vote. Rule Change Proposal died for lack of support.

VIII. Old Business

Ms. Mader reminded the Task Force that Host Applications were open April 1-June 1 for Clinic locations and to reach out to potential hosts to ask them to apply. Ms. Lightner asked about costs and benefits of affiliating a clinic with USHJA. Ms. Mader explained that there is no fee for Hosts to apply or be a Host unless so decided by the committee. The affiliation would allow for greater marketing opportunities. The Application process provides an organized method for the Task Force to evaluate potential locations. Ms. Aurelius shared the vision/intent of the clinics were to host them in several locations across the country and educate participants on various topics concerning Hunter Breeding and Model. The clinics can be held in conjunction with Sallie B or other shows, or as standalone events.

IX. New Business

The Task Force discussed several items regarding Young Hunter rules and specifications. There is a need to address a consistency in a horse's age category, how to make the classes exhibitor friendly to encourage growth in the division. The Task Force decided to draft a memo to send to the Young Hunter Task Force with detailed suggestions and edits. This will be forwarded to Ms. Mader who will submit it for consideration at the next YHTF call via the YHTF Liaison.

X. Adjourn

Mrs. Oare made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 3:47pm

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