



USHJA Joint Owners Task Force Meeting Minutes

July 16th, 2018 – 12:00 pm EST via Teleconference

Joint Owners Task Force Members Participating: Elaine Fresch (Chair), Debbie Bass, Nancy Lewis, Chuck Mayer, Erica Moe, Susan Moriconi, Ernest Oare (7)

Joint Owners Task Force Members Not Present: Lisa Lourie (1)

Also Present: Emily Matuszak (USHJA Sport Program Assistant) (1)

I. Welcome and roll call

Ms. Bass called the meeting to order and Ms. Matuszak performed the roll call; with seven Task Force members present, a quorum was met.

II. Approval of meeting minutes from January 29th, 2018

Mr. Mayer made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from January 29, 2018; Ms. Moe seconded and the motion was passed without further discussion.

III. Introduction of Elaine Fresch as Chair

Ms. Bass introduced Ms. Elaine Fresch as the new Chair of the Joint Owners Task Force.

IV. Summary and discussion of 2018 Joint Owners Task Force initiative regarding owners awareness and responsibility for drugs and medications

- Ms. Fresch asked whether the Task Force was still interested in moving forward with the drugs and medications project discussed during their January meeting. The Task Force agreed they were still interested in pursuing this initiative.
- Ms. Fresch asked for volunteers from the Task Force to assist with preparing the project proposal with the goal of having this document ready for review by the remaining Task Force members by the end of October. The Task Force expressed interest in having the proposal ready in time for the 2018 USHJA Annual Meeting. Ms. Fresch, Ms. Bass and Ms. Moriconi agreed to work on crafting the proposal.
- Mr. Oare raised his concerns surrounding the issue of Safe Sport and requested the Task Force focus on this. Mr. Oare questioned how this issue is being handled administratively. Mr. Oare went on to question how the Safe Sport initiative is being carried out and cited his concern that the issue

is scary in how it is being handled. Mr. Mayer suggested compiling an educational resource for owners, juniors and parents.

- Following a long discussion, the Task Force inquired whether Ms. Sonja Keating, SVP, General Counsel or Ms. Teresa Roper, Safe Sport Coordinator could come on a future call to explain the process and clarify an owner's liability with regards to the Safe Sport issue. Ms. Fresch requested the Task Force members do their research on the Safe Sport information currently available and discuss this issue at a future meeting before moving forward with approaching USEF. Ms. Fresch asked Ms. Matuszak to look into what other Task Forces are working on with regards to Safe Sport initiatives and report back to the Task Force.

V. Old business

No old business was discussed.

VI. New business

Ms. Fresch requested the Task Force coordinate a future call to be scheduled following the 2018 World Equestrian Games but prior to October 2018 and a subsequent call by the end of October to discuss the Safe Sport initiative.

VII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:46 pm EST.

Respectfully,

Emily Matuszak, USHJA Sport Program Assistant