Committee: Hunter Breeding Task Force
Meeting Date: Monday, March 18, 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, Drew Taylor, 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. Mrs. Schiele seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

III. Approval of Minutes From February 19th Call
   A correction was noted on the Minutes from the 2/19/19 call: VII. Rule Change Proposals – Remove “not” from the sentence. Ms. Mader will amend the Minutes. Mrs. Schiele made a motion to accept the minutes with the noted correction. Mrs. Frost seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Hunter Breeding Clinic – Host applications, Cost, Possible Clinicians?
   Ms. Mader informed the Task Force that Host Applications will be open April 1-Jun1. Mr. Brown encouraged members to reach out to hosts and encourage them to apply. The need to cover costs was briefly discussed. Without knowing the locations and clinicians, cost could not be assessed at this time. The topic was tabled until the Host Applications had been received.

V. Sallie B. Wheeler Championships 2020 Judges – Short list
   The Task Force discussed the short list of judges for 2020 Sallie B Wheeler based on the votes submitted by members. Mrs. Oare reminded the group that several competent individuals had not judged due to a former rule that judges may not be Task Force members. It was also noted that there is a current rule that no individual may judge within 3 years of their last appointment to Sallie B. Several scenarios were discussed: having former judges, having individuals who had not yet judged Sallie B, and pairing a former judge with one who had not judges Sallie B. Ultimately, it was decided to choose individuals who had not previously judges Sallie B. Those who had not previously judged Sallie B and had the most votes were: Tony Sgarlata, Mike Rosser, Rita Timpanaro, Rick Abbott, and Julie Winkel (judged in 2010). Mrs. Oare
made a motion to extend an informal invitation to those 5 mentioned to assess availability for 2020. Mrs. Lang seconded the motion, Motion carried unanimously. Ms. Mader will contact the 5 individuals and report to the Task Force at the next call.

VI. Education – Karan
Mrs. Aurelius spoke regarding the need/desire for conformational clinics for LO’s & exhibitors. She is developing an educational PowerPoint presentation, would like photos of yearlings-3yo former competitors, and then photos of those horses jumping. She asked the Task Force to submit these items. Mrs. Aurelius also noted that the anatomy information from HQC would be helpful. Ms. Risser commented regarding the USHJA Education Department developing similar materials. Ms. Mader agreed to reach out to the HQC liaison and facilitate Mrs. Aurelius’ educational initiative.

VII. Sponsorship/Fundraising – Donor flyer
The feedback from the recently mailed Hunter Breeding packet was positive. Ms. Mader was not provided with a list of former donors so the Task Force members offered to reach out to these individuals.

VIII. Spec Changes – Attire, Safety, Showmanship class
The Task Force discussed the need for verbiage in the specs or available to show managers to post regarding appropriate attire for Hunter Breeding classes. Safety is also a primary concern. The Task force recommends that show managers receive a memo that proper attire is required for Hunter Breeding classes. This attire should be workmanlike and the exhibitor must wear close-toed shoes. More specifically: Traditional English Hunt Seat attire, Khaki pants or skirt and a collared shirt, close toed shoes with a full upper are acceptable.

IX. Old Business
There was no Old Business.

X. New Business
Ms. Risser brought forth a Rule Change Proposal for the Task Force to consider. This Rule Change would mandate that a USEF rule could not be reversed or changed for a minimum of 3 years after it is enacted. This would allow time to assess effectiveness of said rule and also lighten the burden on show managers to keep up with so many rule changes. Ms. Risser referenced the fact that a business often takes 3-5 years to show profits and establish themselves. A longer period would allow better assessment of rule changes. Mr. Brown requested that the Task Force members read and review the RCP and it will be discussed at the next call.

XI. Adjourn
Mr. Brown adjourned the meeting at 3:57pmET

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