



USHJA Officials Committee Meeting

Monday, February 11, 2019 4:00pm Eastern
Teleconference: 888-392-4560 Access Code: 15703

Members Present: Fran Dotoli(chair), Alan Lohman (Vice), Linda Andrisani, Oliver Brown, Chris Collman, Anthony D'Ambrosio, David Distler, Karen Healey, Julie Kasle, Connie Tramm Hunt, Andrea Wells, Chris Wynne, Scott Hofstetter (NVA) and Sally Ike (NVA) (12)

Members Not Present: Patricia Griffith, Steve Stephens, Mike Rosser (NVA)

Also Present: Lindsey Irvin (Committee Liaison)

I. Welcome and roll call

Mrs. Dotoli called the meeting to order and Lindsey Irvin performed a roll call with 10 voting members present.

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes from 10/23/2018 and 12/12/2018

Mr. D'Ambrosio made a motion to approve the minutes from 10/23/2018, Ms. Kasle seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Mr. Collman made a motion to approve the minutes from 12/12/2018, Mr. Hofstetter seconded the motion and the motion passed.

III. New Committee Members

Mrs. Dotoli introduced two new members to the committee Ms. Connie Tramm Hunt and Ms. Andrea Wells.

IV. Recommendation for Course Designer Submission in lieu of clinic

Mrs. Dotoli explained to the Committee about the recommendation needed for the Large R Jumper Course Designer Work Submission Option.

“USHJA allows ‘R’ jumper course designers the option to submit homework to be reviewed by a panel for approval in lieu of attending a clinic. If approved by two out of three panelist, he/she fulfills the clinic requirement. If the homework is disapproved by two of the three panelists, he/she must complete a clinic or apprentice with one of the panelists for a competition in order to fulfill the clinic requirement.”

Mr. D'Ambrosio thought this submission option was helpful to the Large R Jumper Course Designer. Mr. Lohman agreed with Mr. D'Ambrosio.

Mr. D'Ambrosio made a motion to recommend continuing the Large R Jumper Course Designer Work Submission Option. Ms. Hunt seconded the motion and the motion passed.

V. 2020 Clinic

Possible locations for 2020 Judging License Official Clinic will continue to be offered in Wellington with a second large R section to go Tuesday morning. As well as clinics in New Jersey, California, and Lexington. But a possible option instead of a second Wellington option, would be to host a second hunter and equitation clinic in Ocala that would back up to the Hunter Breeding Clinic.

There is also a possibility to have a clinic at the National Championship Horse Show in Las Vegas, Nevada. Which it was pointed out by Ms. Wells that it would conflict with Julie Winkle's Maplewood Licensed Official Clinics that occur in September. While Mrs. Dotoli stated that she has talked to Ms. Winkle about this, nothing is set in stone.

Mrs. Dotoli explained there were six individuals that were invited to come and see her at the Wellington Clinic, where they could speak about being put on the list on clinicians. Of the six individuals two of them replied to the offer. One declined the offer at this time but was honored to be asked and would like to be considered again at a later date. The second individual was Mr. Scott Fitton, who met with Mrs. Dotoli at the clinic to discuss being considered a clinician for the 2020 clinics.

VI. Test/Exams

Mrs. Dotoli explained the maintenance exam will start in 2020 and will be offered online through US Equestrian. Ms. Ike, the Managing Director of Licensed Officials at USEF, explained that should USHJA want the exams to be done at the licensed official clinics that a proposal can be submitted to amend the Policy and Procedure document to reflect what the Officials Education Committee would prefer.

VII. Teaching Judges

With the new policy and procedure being published by USEF, applicants and recorded 'r' judges looking for a promotion will have five evaluations from five separate registered 'R' Judges. For course designers instead of five they will need to have three evaluations. Should the applicant or small 'r' not receive the amount of positive review they need to sit with a

teaching judge or course designer from the list of approved mentors or clinicians for an evaluation. The teaching judge or course designer will give an evaluation of the applicant or recorded 'r' which will put them to the next step towards licensure or they will need to start the process over to gain more practice.

VIII. Review of Wellington Course Designer and Judges' Clinic

The committee reviewed clinic exams and clinic evaluations from participants for both The Wellington Course Designer Clinic (1/14-1/15) and the Wellington Judges' Clinic (2/4-2/5).

IX. Old Business

There was no old business to discuss.

X. New Business

There was no new business to discuss.

XI. Adjourn

A motion was made to adjourn so the meeting adjourned at 4:51 pm.