



USHJA Zone 7 Committee Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 2, 2020 – 2:00 p.m. CT/ 3:00 p.m. ET

Zone 7 Committee Members Participating: Nancy Jones (Chair), Carl Hansen (Vice Chair), Joey Brumbaugh (Treasurer), Janis Collette, Genie Harper, Fred Kahn, Kalea Maxwell, Kelly McCabe-Cyphert, Patricia Roberts, Sandra Tabio and Bill Whisenant. (11)

Zone 7 Committee Members Not Present: Laura Connaway, Matt Cyphert, Valerie Garza and John McQueen, (4)

Also Present: Morgan Pearson (Sports Program Coordinator), Kristin Rover (Regional Communications Coordinator) and Lynn Johnson (Sports Program Assistant). (3)

I. Welcome and Roll Call

Ms. Jones called the meeting to order. Ms. Pearson called roll, with ten committee members present, a quorum was met.

II. Approve the minutes

Mr. Kahn made a motion to approve the minutes from July 13, 2020 with the correction of the spelling of "Jemsen" to "Jessen" in Old Business. Mr. Whisenant seconded the motion. The motion passed with no abstentions. (Correction made to minutes from July 13, 2020.)

III. 2020 Annual Meeting

Ms. Pearson stated the Annual Meeting will be virtual. The first week will be mainly educational. The second week will be working group meetings, board meetings etc. There will be a member Q & A session at the end of each Zone meeting. Ms. Pearson would like to get agenda topics of special interest from the Zone Committees, which can be emailed to Ms. Pearson. All Zone Committee meetings are open to all. The Committee has been asked why a fee must be paid to participate in the Zone meeting at the Annual Meeting since there is essentially no expenses like an in-person Annual Meeting. Ms. Pearson stated she will check on that and advise the Committee.

IV. Zone Elections

Ms. Pearson stated the current Zone Committee term was extended by one year due to the creation of the Zone Council. The Zone Committee elections will be held in November 2021. The Zone 7 Committee will have a meeting after the Annual Meeting for the purpose of naming a Nominating Committee. These individuals must be Senior

members and there must be three Jumper representatives and three Hunter representatives. Ms. Pearson will send out a copy of the election policies and procedures to all Zone Committee members. There will be no changes to the number of Committee members.

V. Communications Update

Ms. Rover stated the Communications Department is planning for 2021. She has created a survey to provide feedback from the Zone Committee to help the Communications Department better plan for 2021 to serve the Zone Committees.

VI. Member Specifications Comment

Ms. Pearson stated she had received the email from a Zone member regarding a Zone competition question. The Committee discussed the information presented and the specification in question. The Committee agreed to let the 2021 specification stand with no changes at this time.

VII. Old Business

Ms. Jones asked Ms. Pearson to state what the results of the Host Application approval was since it was by email. Ms. Pearson stated the Zone 7 HOTY North will be at Lake St. Louis Hunter Jumper Show. The Zone 7 HOTY South will be at Harvest in Katy, TX. The Zone 7 Equitation Championships will be at Lake St. Louis Indoor Preview. Ms. Jones mentioned that the 2020 Zone 7 Finals will go on as scheduled and announced.

VIII. New Business

Mr. Whisenant stated the 2020/2022 Zone Finals will be on different weeks. In the past, the Zone has had a rule that an exhibitor cannot compete in both Zone Finals. They may compete at both horse shows but not in both Championship classes at the two shows. Ms. Pearson will check to see if this is already stated in the Zone HOTY specifications and advise the Committee.

IX. Adjourn

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 3:39p.m. ET.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lynn Johnson
Sports Program Assistant