

#### USHJA JUMPER WORKING GROUP MEETING MINUTES

August 23, 2021, 2021 6:00pm EST/3:00pm PST Teleconference 1-800-944-8766 Code 53990#

Jumper Working Group Members Present: Charlotte Skinner-Robson (Chair), Jeff Campf, Missy Clark, David Distler, Margie Engle, Sally Ike, Brooke Kemper, Oliver Kennedy, Anne Kursinski, Jay Land, Larry Langer, Mike Lowry, Jason McArdle, Mandy Porter, Jenny Ross-Koning, Jimmy Torano, Jim Urban, Ali Wolff. (17)

## **Jumper Working Group Members Not Present:**

**Also Present:** Chris, Mitchell (Jumper Programs Manager), Katie Patrick, (Director of Sport Program)

#### Welcome and Roll Call

Ms. Skinner-Robson welcomed the committee. Mr. Mitchell performed a roll call, and a quorum was met.

# I. Approval of the Agenda

Ms. Skinner-Robson asked to move item V (Zone 10 Selection Trial Host) until after the task force reports as Ms. Skinner-Robson has conflicts and will step off the call, Mr. Distler will take the call over. Mr. Kennedy made a motion to approve the agenda for the meeting. Mr. Urban seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.

#### II. Approval of the Meeting Minutes (June 21, 201)

Mr. McArdle made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes. Mr. Urban seconded the motion, and it was approved with those not on the call abstaining.

#### III. 2022 Jumper Classic Series classification

Ms. Skinner-Robson discussed the changes regarding the clarification of adding "must be recorded with the USEF" it was just an oversight. At the request of the USEF clarify the overlay procedures, it was unclear, and the new language will explain how to offer the classic as an overlay. Bill Moroney has pointed out the USHJ to change the specifications on the prize money and the ratings for the competitions. Adding Jumper rating 3 rating licensed competitions to the minimum and making the prize money at Jumper 4 and higher.

Mr. Campf made a motion to approve the 2022 Jumper Classic Series Specifications with the clarification for overlay and the Prize Money ratings change. Ms. Sally seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

# IV. Task Force Reports

## **Emerging Jumper Rider:**

The Task force will have a Retreat to discuss the 2023 ZJTC and PJC championships, The Rider Ranking list, the Gold Star Clinics, And the new 1.0/1.05m Proposal. The Retreat will take place in Chicago from September 27-28, 2021

The task force discussed the ZJTC that has happened to date this year. Ms. Langer talked about how they have gone exceptional well and Tryon was the biggest to date and went exceptionally well.

Zone ½ hosting by Hits went well, but the numbers were still small. Zone 7/8 hosting by Split rock went well as well with the numbers being small as well. Split Rock is interested in hosting again next year/ Zone 5/6 hosted in Traverse city went very well and the Morrisey group was wonderful to work with.

# Young Jumper:

The Task force approved the 4-year-old judge, John Rush as the "R" judge and Hardin Towell as the style judge. Blenheim competed their

Young Jumper championships like our specification and Mr. McArdle liked the format.

At this time there are 140-150 horse enrolled.

#### **NAYC/PDS/Pony Jumper:**

Congratulations to Zone 4 for their victories. Mr. Torano asked if we could move on the USEF championships up or back a week. The Pony finals the NAYC ran on the same week this year. Mr. Distler agrees to move them off the same week. Ms. Langer feels that the NAYC is a major event not may trainers participate, and we need to make it more special. Mr. Torano mentioned that a lot of kids are trying to participate in both Pony Finals and NAYC. Mr. Distler said we need to do what is best for the NAYC, Ms. Langer asked how many riders in Pony Finals are jumping 1.20m? Mr. Distler suggested that the USEF should have some input on the President of the Jury. Ms. Skinner-Robson told the group that the FEI makes those decisions for the year in the November prior.

#### V. Zone 10 Selection Hosts

Ms. Skinner- Robson turned the call over to Mr. Distler and exited the call.

Mr. Distler explained the Memo form Zone 10 regarding the host applications that they have approved.

Ms. Porter and Mr. McArdle raised concerns of the Del Mar horse show running or not, as they are not confident in the show running.

Mr. McArdle made amotion to table the Zone 10 selection host discussion until we have more information about the Del Mar horse show. Ms. Ike seconded the motion and the topic of the 2022 Zone 10 Selection trial host discussion.

#### VI. New Business

### VII. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:57 pm EST.

Respectfully submitted by: *Christopher Mitchell* USHJA Manager of Jumper Programs

Committee actions resulting in a recommendation for program

changes are subject to additional review in accordance with the Board of Directors approved policy.