



USHJA Zone 10 Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 7, 2020 - 1:00 p.m. PT/ 2:00 p.m. MT

Zone 10 Committee Members Participating: Ned Glynn (Co Chair), Kathy Hobstetter (Co Chair), Denise Finch (Treasurer), Kay Altheuser, Michael Curtis, Sally Hudson, Melissa Kalember, Gry McFarlane, Kelly McNight and James Waldman (10)

Zone 10 Committee Members Not Present: Robert Leckie, Stephanie Wheeler and Lynn Mullins. (3)

Also Present: Morgan Thibodeaux (Sports Program Coordinator), Lynn Johnson (Sports Program Office Aide).

I. Welcome and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Hobstetter and Ms. Thibodeaux called roll. A quorum was met with ten committee members present.

II. Approve the minutes

Ms. Finch made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for July 29, 2019 and August 5, 2019.

Ms. Altheuser seconded the motion. The motion passed with the full vote of the committee.

III. Annual Meeting Review

Zone 10 had light attendance at the Zone meeting on December 8, 2019 at the Annual Meeting. Ms. Thibodeaux updated the committee on changes for the Zones for 2020:

- The Zone Council is new for 2020. The Chair and Vice Chair from each Zone will be members. The hope is this will “bridge the gap” between Zones. Feedback on this is welcome
- Zone Committee Members will be asked to extend their term for one additional year due to this. This decision is entirely up to the member, please email Morgan if you do not want to extend your term.
- The Planning Committee recommended and the BOD approved a new attendance requirement percentage for all Zone Committee members. That new percentage will be 75%. The Annual Meeting will count as a meeting attended (not required).
- The Affiliates Council is being brought back. Email Morgan or Danae Fryman for more information.
- For 2020, a monthly call schedule will be implemented. Hopefully, this will make attendance on calls easier for members to plan. If there is no business to discuss, then

the scheduled call can be cancelled. Ms. Thibodeaux sent a survey (and will resend it) to all committee members to indicate the best times for the monthly call to be scheduled. Feedback regarding responses will be shared with all committee members.

- Turnaround time for draft meeting minutes should be improved with Ms. Johnson helping to complete those.
- Each Zone 10 Agenda will now include a line item titled “Affiliates”. If there is nothing to be discussed, that is fine.
- It is encouraged that committee members use excused absences sparingly so the committee can continue to proceed forward with their work.

IV. Zone Elections

Postponed due to the option to extend term for one additional year at this time.

V. 2021 Host Application Document Approval

Committee members were encouraged to get feedback on the current application form from hosts regarding edits, changes, programs, etc. Please send those items to Morgan by next Monday or Tuesday. Ms. Hobstetter asked committee members to look over the list of active programs the Zone currently has such as: Sallie Wheeler, EAP, TCP, WCHR, Scholarships, Grants, Affiliates, Platinum, etc. Ms. Hobstetter will send out the list and would like all committee members to choose one or two programs/events to take an active role in. This would result in the committee receiving a status report from that person every month.

VI. Old Business

There was no old business to discuss.

VII. New Business

a. CH/AA Hunter Championships

The CH/AA Hunter Championships are on hiatus for this year. The program is being analyzed to determine what changes need to be made to improve it. Zones can do a temporary CH/AA Hunter Championship for their Zones for this year only. This would serve to keep the exhibitors’ interest in this event while the program is being revamped. Zone 6 was helping to work out a format for this type of event at the Annual Meeting as USHJA is committed to working with the Zones to come up with a format for this temporary event. Suggestions are appreciated. (If at Thermal, you can submit them to Morgan there.) A request was made to see how much physical support USHJA could commit to. The Zone would like to see USHJA send a person to help with it to keep disorganization at a minimum. Ms. Hobstetter stated Marty Langer is in charge of the Zone 9 & 10 Championships and will have budget costs to the committee.

b. Chef d’ Equipe

Ms. Thibodeaux stated potential Chef d’ Equipes must complete application forms and be well qualified. Trying to address problems encountered last year. Educational aspects for training for the Chefs is being addressed. Ms. Thibodeaux and DiAnne Langer are working on listing and defining the responsibilities of the Chef and revamping the application, which will be sent out to the Zones. Ms. Hobstetter requested a copy of a

sample event schedule so the potential applicants could get an idea of what the position entails. One suggestion was to use High Performance Hunter riders to serve as Chef d'Equipe. Hopefully, this will result in more dedicated and qualified Chefs in the future.

c. Updates

The Youth Jumper Championships have added a new height for this year called a Pre Junior at 1.3m. Ms. Hobstetter requested that funding for Young Riders 2020 be approved at the same funding level as last year. Ms. Thibodeaux stated she will conduct an email vote for this. Ms. Thibodeaux will be in Thermal for the NAYC Zone Selection Trials in March and would like to have a Zone Committee meeting at that time. Ms. Hobstetter is requesting necessary info. for Traverse City to start planning early.

d. Next Meeting

It was requested that for the next meeting, the committee would like information/documents regarding what was spent last year, the budget process, USHJA policy on Zone funding. Ms. Thibodeaux stated she would send the committee the budget as it stands now and then it could be used for an in depth budget discussion.

VIII. Adjourn

Ms. Thibodeaux stated she would now be doing a roll call at the end of each meeting, prior to adjournment. After your name has been called, you are free to leave the call. The meeting is considered adjourned at the end of the roll call. The meeting was adjourned at 1:50pm PT.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lynn Johnson
Sports Program Office Aide