



USHJA Zone 4 Committee Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 13, 2020 - 3:00 p.m. ET

Zone 4 Members Participating: Page Tredennick (Chair), Janet McCarroll (Vice Chair), Susan Ashe, Carrie Buxton, Richard Cram, Kim Land, Kat Mulkey, David Pellegrini, Wendy Peralta, John Rush and Christina Schlusemeyer.(11).

Zone 4 Members Not Present: Allison Sweetnam. (1)

Also Present: Morgan Thibodeaux (Sports Program Coordinator), Kristin Rover (Regional Communications Coordinator) and Lynn Johnson (Sports Program Office Aide (3)

I. Welcome and Roll Call

Ms. Tredennick called the meeting to order. Ms. Thibodeaux called roll, with eleven committee members present, a quorum was met.

II. Approve the minutes

Ms. McCarroll made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 9, 2020 meeting with the correction to change Zone 3 to Zone 4 in the footer area on both pages. Ms. Land seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. (Corrections made.)

III. 2021 Zone 4 Specifications

Ms. Tredennick opened discussion on this topic. Up for discussion was the Adult Amateur Hunters. Ms. McCarroll proposed that if riders compete on a horse they do not own in the Adult Amateur Hunter, they can only show in the Amateur Owner 3'3", which is very similar to the restriction for the Childrens Hunter. Discussion ensued. *Mr. Pellegrini made a motion for the Adult Amateur Hunter specifications as follows: Riders may cross enter between the Adult Amateur and Amateur Owner Hunter Divisions on horses they own. Riders may compete in the 3'3" Amateur Owner Hunters and may ride one horse they do not own in the Adult Amateur Hunters. Ms. Peralta seconded the motion. The motion passed with no abstentions.*

Ms. McCarroll proposed a change regarding California splits in the Adult Amateur, Childrens and Childrens Pony sections. Currently, if combining appropriate sections and the total entries results in more than 16 entries, a California split must be used to divide the section. She would like to change the combined entry number requiring a split to more

than 24. Discussion ensued. *Ms. McCarroll made a motion to change the number of appropriately combined section entries in the Adult Amateur, Childrens and Childrens Pony Hunter sections requiring a California split to more than 24. Ms. Schlusemeyer seconded the motion. The motion passed with no abstentions.*

IV. 2020 Budget

Ms. Tredennick opened the discussion for the 2020 budget. Ms. Thibodeaux stated the budget is flexible and currently has an excess of approximately \$9,700. Mr. Rush stated the Zone Jumper Team line item is budgeted for \$4,800 for 2020 but shows \$10,400 was actually spent. He stated that indicates the item is under budgeted. Ms. Thibodeaux stated that was based on \$200 per rider which should have been the \$4,800 divided by the number of riders. Discussion was held regarding the Zone jumper team funding line item of the budget. \$200 per rider was agreeable to the committee. This line item was updated to \$10,000 from the original \$4,800 budgeted. The \$200 per rider would still apply at this time. If the amount allocated is not used, the left over amount can be reallocated to another line item. Excess budget amounts at the end of the year do not roll over to the next year. Ms. Thibodeaux stated the total amount of riders for the combined Zone 3 and 4 Jumper Team Championships is limited to 192 riders. This event is scheduled for July 15-19, 2020. Ms. Thibodeaux has received no information regarding the impact the current pandemic would have on 2021 Zone funding.

V. Old Business

Ms. Mulkey advised the GHJA Education Festival scheduled for June 2020 is postponed. They hope to reschedule it later this year. If it goes to 2021, it will be noted that the money was already obligated.

VI. New Business

Mr. Rush asked if anyone was on a Zone 4 competition manager call with Mary Babick and other managers and could fill the committee in. Ms. Tredennick, Ms. McCarroll and Mr. Cram were on the call. It was mainly a planning meeting as to how they would go forward if/when the suspension is lifted, rescheduling, status of championships, etc. Rescheduling could put shows on top of each other. Mr. Bordeleau mentioned (on the call) in 2008 there was a 30% decrease in attendance at the Kentucky shows. Green reinstatement was also discussed. Many concerns and discussions. Every area has a different scenario to consider. Ms. Thibodeaux stated she would keep the committee advised as to any updates received.

VII. Adjourn

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 3:44 p.m. ET.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lynn Johnson
Sports Program Office Aide