



USHJA Zone 10 Committee Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 26, 2021 - 11:00 a.m. PT/ 2:00 p.m. ET

Zone 10 Committee Members Participating: Ned Glynn (Co-Chair), Kathy Hobstetter (Co-Chair), Denise Finch (Treasurer), Kay Altheuser, Tonia Cook Looker, Michael Curtis, Ellen Gates, Melissa Kalember, Robert Leckie, Lynn Mullins and James Waldman (11).

Zone 10 Committee Members Not Present: Sally Hudson and Gry McFarlane EXC (2).

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

I. Welcome and Roll Call

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

II. Approve the minutes

There were no minutes to approve.

III. 2022 Zone 10 Specifications

Mr. Curtis mentioned the specifications stated the Adult Amateur Hunters can be combined with Childrens Hunter and Childrens Hunter Pony. His concern is this is combining a 2'6" and 2' section with 3' sections. The Childrens Hunter Pony does not permit combinations however the Adult Amateur and Childrens Hunter does allow combinations. Also, the distances are not allowed to be adjusted for the Childrens Pony from the other two sections distances, which could be problematic. The Committee discussed this issue. It was suggested to allow the Childrens Pony to combine with the Low Childrens and Low Adults. Further discussion was held. *Ms. Altheuser made a motion to change the specifications where appropriate to allow the Childrens Hunter Pony to combine only with the Low Adult and/or Low Childrens Hunter. Mr. Waldman seconded the motion. The motion passed.* Ms. Pearson will get the specifications updated as approved. They will be posted for a member comment period. After the comment period, the Committee will review comments and make changes if necessary.

IV. 2021 Zone 10 Hunter HOTY North

Ms. Pearson stated this event is scheduled to be held at Menlo. Menlo has canceled their show so a new Host for this is necessary. *Mr. Waldman made a motion to open Host Applications*

for the 2021 Zone 10 Hunter HOTY North due to the cancellation by Menlo. Ms. Cook-Looker seconded the motion. The motion passed.

V. Carol Dean Porter Scholarship

Ms. Finch presented her proposal (copy provided to Committee members) to the Committee for this scholarship to honor Ms. Porter who gave of her time and knowledge to help those who are passionate horsemen with a desire to excel but did not have the financial ability to attend recognized shows. The proposal requires individuals to apply with applications reviewed by the Committee. This would be a multi-part scholarship with Zone 10 awarding \$2500. Several competition managers have committed to matching that amount to be applied to all show expenses except class fees (per USHJA policies). There will also be a list of mentors (trainers) that will donate their time to allow the winner to stable with them and receive coaching. This is available to the winner's trainer also if they attend the show with the winner. Vendors will be contacted to donate items to help the winner "look the part". This would include items such as a helmet, clothing etc. The Committee discussed this proposal. Ms. Pearson suggested this be a grant as it is not being used for academic expenses like a scholarship. The funding from Zone 10 would be on a reimbursement basis with receipt and an expense log submitted. Ms. Pearson would compile an application for the Committee to review and approve. The Committee discussed further the requirements and documents required to be submitted. Ms. Finch stated Ms. Porter's family requested that one requirement be the applicant must take one of the horsemanship quizzes Ms. Porter wrote. The Committee discussed further questions they had. The winner could possibly attend more than one show due to the matching amounts from several competition managers, which the winner would get a list of. The Committee discussed offering one grant for a Jumper rider and one grant for a Hunter/Equitation rider initially, with room for expansion to three. Ms. Pearson will compile all the criteria discussed and send that to the Committee for approval, along with the original proposal. *Ms. Altheuser made a motion that the Zone 10 Committee go forward with the Carol Dean Porter Grant as discussed. Mr. Waldman seconded the motion. The motion passed.*

VI. Old Business

Ms. Hobstetter advised she has received responses from Committee members regarding their sub-committee interest. She will appoint a chair for each one and they will present an update at the next meeting.

VII. New Business

Ms. Pearson advised the Committee there will be a member of the Hunter Working Group attending the next meeting to provide dialog to the Zone Committee regarding what they are working on and increase communication.

VIII. Adjourn

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 2:57pm ET.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lynn Johnson
Sports Program Assistant