

Minutes of the Meeting of
AMERICAN ENDURANCE RIDE CONFERENCE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE
Tuesday, November 3, 2009

The members of the American Endurance Ride Conference International Committee (the "AERC-I") of the American Endurance Ride Conference held a meeting via Conference Call at the time and on the day set forth as follows:

TIME: 6:00 p.m., PST
DATE: November 3, 2009

The meeting was called to order by Hal V. Hall, Chair.

Roll Call was made and the following Committee Members were present at the meeting:

Lynn Kenelly, Vice Chair
Betty Baker, Treasurer
Grace Ramsey, Central Zone Representative
Cia Reis, East Zone Representative
Dinah Rojek, East Zone Representative
Holly Ulyate, Mountain Zone Representative
Brad Green, Pacific North Zone Representative
Michele Roush, Pacific North Zone Representative
Teresa Cross, Pacific South Zone Representative
Carolyn Hock, Pacific South Zone Representative
Vonita Bowers, USEF Endurance director
Joe Mattingly, USEF High Performance
Kirsten Kimbler, USEF Youth Council Representative
Mike Tomlinson, USEF Technical committee
Jan Stevens, Junior Committee

The following Committee Members were absent:

Carol Giles, Advisor
Jeremy Olson, Central Zone Representative
Martha McMurray, Mountain Zone Representative

Mr. Hall announced that a quorum of the Committee was present. Mr. Hall also served as the recording secretary.

I. Agenda

There were no objections to the meeting agenda as presented.

II. Minutes:

Upon a **MOTION** duly made by Mr. Green seconded by Dr. Roush the September 1, 2009 meeting minutes were unanimously **APPROVED** as previously mailed.

III. Treasurer's Update

Ms. Baker presented the Treasurer's Report that addressed the following:

- A. The AERC Office provided two amounts that are without explanation including disbursement of \$4,270 and \$344.48 as of December 1, 2008. As a result, revenue year-to-date is \$714 with expenses of \$1,060. The net of receipts and disbursements is a \$345 loss. **Action Item:** Ms. Baker will contact the AERC Office to obtain an explanation for the two disbursements.
- B. Financial Condition – The balance of the Checking Account and the Certificate of Deposit is \$40,913.48
- C. Ms. Baker reviewed the status of a receivable of \$556.61 from Robin Groves who was a AERC Convention Speaker in 2007. Consideration was given to making addition collection efforts or formally writing-off of the amount as a bad debt due to lack of collection. Upon a **MOTION** duly made by Dr. Roush seconded by Ms. Reis the receivable of \$556.61 from Robin Groves was written-off. **Action Item:** Ms. Baker will report this decision to the AERC Office accountant.

IV. Chair Report

Mr. Hall reported upon the following:

- A. The status of recent **MOTIONS** to the AERC Board of Directors regarding the revised AERC-I Charter and the nomination of Kelsey Kimbler to the USEF Youth Sportsman Award. The AERC-I Charter has been deferred to the Board's December meeting and Ms. Kimbler's nomination was approved. **Action Item:** The AERC Office will process Ms. Kimbler's nomination with USEF and will place the AERC-I Charter Motion on the agenda for the next Board meeting.
- B. Elections of Zone Representatives whose term expires at the end of this year including Ms. Ramsey – Central Zone, Ms. Rojek – East Zone, Ms. McMurray – Mountain Zone, Dr. Roush – Pacific North Zone, and Ms. Cross – Pacific South Zone. Each of these Zone Representative have expressed their intention. Those intending on running for re-election are Ms. Ramsey, Dr. Roush, and Ms. Cross. Ms. McMurray was absent but she had previously indicated her interest in being re-elected. Ms. Rojek will not be running for re-election. **Action Item:** The AERC Office will need to know who is running for re-election and obtain their bio in order to print ballots.
- C. Replacements of Zone Representatives as a result of resignation of three Zone Representatives including Ms. Ulyate – Mountain Zone, Ms. Reis – East Zone, and Ms. Hock – Pacific South Zone. Mr. Hall indicated that if a Zone Representative resigns it may be necessary to go back to the election where the resigning Committee member was elected and see who ran. That individual gets the opportunity to accept the position. If no one ran or no one accepts the position, the remaining Zone Representative makes a recommendation to AERC-I. **Action Item:** Mr. Hall requested that all Zone Representative replacements provide this Committee with their resumes.

V. Vice Chair Report

Ms. Kenelly reported that she will seek assistance in developing plans for the AERC Convention. Ms. Hock suggested that we coordinate with youth groups to host the booth

as we have done in the past. Ms. Rojek asked if we pay for the booth and it was believed that we do. **Action Item:** Mr. Hall will inquire to the AERC Office to determine if the trade show booth is complementary or if a vendor payment is required.

VI. Committee Advisor Report

Ms. Giles was not in attendance and no report was given.

VII. Zone Representative Reports

A. Central Zone Representatives

Ms. Ramsey reported that the Central Zone squad won the Team Silver in the North American Endurance Team Challenge.

Mr. Olson was not in attendance and no report was given.

B. East Zone Representatives

Both Ms. Reis and Ms. Rojek reported that the East Zone squad won the Team Gold in the North American Endurance Team Challenge.

C. Mountain Zone Representatives

Ms. Ulyate indicated reported that the Mountain Zone squad won the Team Bronze in the North American Endurance Team Challenge.

Ms. McMurray was not in attendance and no report was given.

D. Pacific North Zone Representative

Dr. Roush reported that the Pacific North Zone squad had a 50% completion rate but not enough for a team completion in the North American Endurance Team Challenge.

E. Pacific South Zone Representatives

Both Ms. Hock and Ms. Cross reported that the Pacific South Zone squad did not have their team finish in the North American Endurance Team Challenge.

VIII. USEF Advisor Updates

A. Technical Committee – Dr. Tomlinson, USEF Technical Committee Chair, reported on the following written report:

1. The endurance meetings at the USEF convention will be held on Saturday, January 16, 2010. Everyone is invited to attend the convention to be held in Louisville, Kentucky.
2. The AERC convention meetings are being planned including an officials meeting and Becky Hart will talk Friday or Saturday. The international reception will be held Thursday evening.

3. There is an addition approved FEI ride scheduled for February 27 and 28, 2010, which will be a CEI 1*/2* in Texas.
 4. There is an addition approved FEI ride of 1* to existing Git R Done ride on January 16, 2010.
 5. USEF Technical committee is working on getting USEF rules to come in line with new FEI rules.
- B. International High Performance (IHP) – Mr. Mattingly, USEF International High Performance Committee Chair, reported upon the following:
1. IHP committee is working on the Selection Procedures for the 2010 WEG. Should have final form end of December.
 2. The regional selection trials are going to be held June 20 through 28, 2010 with the final selection trial in Danville, IL, from August 10 through 14, 2010. All horses selected will be stabled at the Shaker Village which is 45 minutes from Lexington, Kentucky, starting 3 weeks prior to September 26, 2010.
 3. The IHP meeting was held following the Kentucky Cup/WEG Test event. Comments are being prepared for constructive criticism to the Organizing Committee. One suggestion will be to recommend having an alternate date in case of similar weather conditions experienced at the Test event in October.
 4. Good job to all riders and crews, overall, for their performance and degree of preparation in Kentucky.
 5. USEF memberships renewals are due December 1, 2009, and FEI registrations on January 1, 2010.
- C. Endurance Director's Report – Ms. Bowers, USEF Endurance Director, reported upon the following:
1. Much of Dr. Tomlinson's and Mr. Mattingly's reports represent her report to the Committee.
- D. USEF Youth Council Representative Report – Ms. Kimbler report upon the following:
1. Planning is occurring regarding next year's USEF's North American Young Riders Championship (NAJYRC) as part of North American Youth Equestrian Games. Plans include trying to make it easier for young riders to team up on seasoned horses and to qualify for the event in years to come. To have such a competition will require a qualifications waiver from FEI which would likely increase the pool of riders. Funding is also a significant issue to resolve.

IX. AERC Liaison Update

- A. AERC President – Ms. Connie Caudill was not in attendance and no report was provided.
- B. AERC Executive Director – Ms. Kathleen Henkel was not in attendance and no report was provided.
- C. Competitions Committee Liaison – Dr. Roush reported that she did not have anything to report regarding the AERC Competitions Committee.
- D. AERC-I Young Rider Sub-Committee – Ms. Jan Stevens reported on 2010 plans.

- E. Junior Rider Representative to AERC – Ms. Kelly Kimbler was not in attendance and no report was provided.
- F. Education Committee – Ms. Susan Kasemeyer was not in attendance and no report was provided.

X. Adjournment

There was no other business brought before the Committee and upon **MOTION** duly made by Ms. Ramsey, seconded by Mr. Green, and carried, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:59 p.m., PST. The next meeting is scheduled for December 1, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

Hal V. Hall, Chair
AERC-I Committee