

AERC BOD Conference Call Minutes Mon. Jan. 13, 2014

The meeting was called to order by president Jan Stevens at 8:02pm Central Time.

Those on the call were Jan Stevens, Michael Campbell, Mollie Krumlaw-Smith, Monica Chapman, Connie Caudill, Nick Kohut, Susan Kasemeyer, Joe Schoech, Lisa Schneider, John Parke, Mike Maul, Susan Garlinghouse, Tom Bache, Olin Balch, Patti Stedman, Sue Keith, Gail Williams, Randy Eiland, Bruce Weary, Terry Woolley Howe, Maryben Stover, Steph Teeter, Forrest Tancer, Julia Lynn-Elias, Susie Schomburg, Roger Taylor, Skip Kemerer, Dwayne Barnett, Andrew Gerhard, Peter Hommertzheim, and Kathleen Henkel.

Gail Williams made a motion to accept the agenda. Terry Woolley Howe seconded the motion. Motion passed.

John Parke made a motion to accept the AERC BOD Conference Call Minutes for Dec. 9, 2013. Terry Woolley Howe seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

Membership Report Jan. 14, 2014

Membership as of 1/14/13 2820

Membership as of 1/14/14 2583

Rider Fees as of 2012 \$88,861

Rider Fees as of 2013 \$95,090

Sanction Fees as of 2012 \$16,315

Sanction Fees as of 2013 \$16,626

Sanction Fees for 2014 \$8747

New Members as of 1/14/13 150

New Members as of 1/14/14 127

The Sanctioning Committee brought before the Board a request for an approval of the Colorama Pioneer Ride. The ride is in the MW Region. It will be 9/12/14 – 9/14/14. This is the first year for the ride managed by Pamela Cotton. The distances are 25/55; 25/50/100; and 25/50. Tracy Busalacchi is head control judge. MW Region Sanctioning Director Connie Caudill has approved the ride. The ride is approved by the BOD.

The Northern Highlands Ride in the MW Region is requesting special sanctioning. The ride is managed by Jon Wagner and is 8/23/14 & 8/24/14. The ride manager is requesting the addition of “No Studs” to the ride rules. The BOD did not pass the special sanctioning request. It was thought that the rule could be considered favoritism.

A ride managed by Tom Hutchinson in the Northwest Region held from 7/1/14 -7/5/2014 has been asked to clarify in his ride flyer there would be hazardous conditions crossing the river during the ride, including loose dogs, tents, broken glass, fireworks, etc. The ride takes place over the July 4th holiday and special consideration must be given to the many revelers that will be present celebrating but are

not ride participants. The sanctioning committee has approved this ride. The special sanctioning request is approved by the BOD.

The Ad Hoc Committee writing up a report on the AERC/USEF/FEI relationship stated their report will be out soon.

The letter to USEF Susan Garlinghouse had written on behalf of the BOD last fall was sent to the legal committee for review has not been reviewed.

Randy Eiland committee chair for the Sponsorship Committee led a discussion based on the Sponsorship Committee Motion presented to the BOD regarding FEI rides. The Sponsorship Committee is open to comments from AERC members and BOD members. The motion is likely to be changed as more comments come in.

AERC President Jan Stevens attended the USEF meeting in January 2014. Some of the items discussed follow. USEF would continue drug testing for AERC if we were not the USEF endurance affiliate. The drug testing fees could increase. The USEF Endurance Division membership is stable. More young riders seem to be involved. AERC signs a \$150 contract in March 2014 to ratify us as the USEF endurance affiliate. USEF was asked about fatalities in other USEF disciplines. No answer back at this time. The FEI Endurance Committee will be meeting Feb. 9, 2014 in Switzerland. The FEI Endurance measurable milestones are planned to be developed at the meeting and finalized in April 2014. Jan stated she will send something out to the AERC membership to keep them apprised of what is going on.

Due to time the regional reports should be sent to the BOD List.

John Parke made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Connie Caudill seconded the motion. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 9:02pm Central Time.

Submitted by Monica Chapman.