

AERC BOD Conference Call Minutes Mon. June 10, 2014

The meeting was called to order by President Michael Campbell at 7:02pm Central Time.

Those on the call were Michael Campbell, Lisa Schneider, Monica Chapman, Connie Caudill, Sue Keith, Peter Hommertzhaim, Rusty Toth, Skip Kemerer, Paul Latiolais, John Parke, Duane Barnett, Susan Kasemeyer, Roger Taylor, Andrew Gerhard, Tom Bache, Olin Balch, Susan Garlinghouse, Terry Woolley Howe, Mike Maul, Bruce Weary, Randy Eiland, Kathleen Henkel, and Jay Mero.

Connie Caudill made a motion to accept the agenda. Bruce Weary seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Connie Caudill made a motion to accept the AERC BOD Conference Call Minutes for May 12, 2014. Mike Maul seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

The BOD accepted the AERC International meeting minutes from the 5/6/14 meeting.

Kathleen Henkel provided the BOD with the Membership Report.

Membership Report for June 4, 2014

Membership as of 6/3/13 4768

Membership as of 6/4/14 4516

Rider Fees as of 6/4/13 \$37,489

Rider Fees as of 6/4/14 \$27,381

Sanction Fees as of 6/4/13 \$15,196.00

Sanction Fees as of 6/4/14 \$16,382.75

Sanction Fees as of 6/4/13 for the 2014 season: \$845

Sanction Fees as of 6/4/14 for the 2015 season: \$1,110

New Members as of 6/3/13 478

New Members as of 6/4/14 460

Susan Kasemeyer made a motion to excuse the following BOD members from the meeting, Stephanie Teeter – family illness; Nick Kohut – employment conflict; Mollie Krumlaw-Smith – employment conflict; Forrest Tancer – out of cell range at his ride site. Olin Balch seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Julia Lynn-Elias was not on the call.

Rusty Toth was accepted as chair of the membership committee after some questions from fellow BOD members.

In old business before the board the Horse Welfare Motion items 3, 4, 6, & 8, were discussed to give the vet and rules committee the feeling of the BOD.

Item #3 Recovery pulse rate at finish lowered from 68 to 64 (or less) bpm. A straw poll of the BOD supported this item.

Item #4 Equines must be 6 years of age to start a 100 mile ride. After a discussion on whether to leave the birth date of the equine as its actual birthday or to use Jan. 1 a straw vote was taken. The majority of the BOD except for one member wanted to adopt the above item using the actual birthday of the equine.

Item #6 Exams on all equines by a control judge before they leave the ride site, no sooner than two hours from when they cross the finish line (This is just a safety check, the rider has already received their completion). A straw vote of the BOD on the above item finds it would be too difficult to implement at many rides. Jay Mero, Vet Committee Chair, was on the call and agreed it was ok to exclude this from the rule book. It is hoped ride managers will implement this procedure at rides with the right scenario. Susan Garlinghouse who is rewriting part of the vet manual will add wording to the manual in regards to this item.

Item #8 Rides should have at least one hold on a distance of 25 miles or greater (rules clarification). A straw vote of the BOD was in agreement with the item.

Michael Campbell will direct the Rules Committee to start work creating, updating, or clarifying, the wording on items #3,4, and 8.

Kathleen Henkel was given board approval to move forward with obtaining credit cards through the Bank of the West.

In new business Skip Kemerer inquired whether we had received the FEI ESPG Report from USEF yet. Michael Campbell will look into the status of the report.

Connie Caudill made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lisa Schneider seconded the motion. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:50pm Central Time.

Submitted by Monica Chapman.