

USIHC – Board Of Directors 01/14/11 MEETING MINUTES

7:00pm Riverfront Hotel, New Orleans, Louisiana

Board Members:

Present: Anne Elwell, Cindy Wescott, Katrin Sheehan, Doug Smith, Sara Lyter, Sam Castleman, Ásta Covert, Kari Pietsch-Wangard, Kathy Lockerbie

Excused: None

Meeting Called To Order 7PM

Officer Elections

All officers will remain the same as 2010:

President – Anne Elwell;

Vice-President – Sara Lyter;

Treasurer – Kari Pietsch-Wangard;

Secretary – Doug Smith

Old Business

- eMail Voting:
 - Approval of Sanction for USIHC Seminar “Conformation and its Correlation in Riding and Training” April 16 & 17, 2011. [Unanimous Approval for Sanction]
- Young Horse Evaluation Procedures [Katrin Sheehan]
Reset for the February meeting to give Martina and Barbara time to finalize the document.
- Allow any USIHC member to seek letter of recommendation from a FEIF International Sports Judge to attend the FEIF Judging Seminar regardless of standing as a US Intern Judge. [Alex Pregitzer]
Sara Lyter moved to approve as recommended. The motion carried with the approval of all Board members except Katrin Sheehan and Doug Smith who abstained from voting.

New Business

- Approval of Letter to Trainers [Alex Pregitzer]
See attached discussion and sample letter.
Sara Lyter moved to approve as recommended. The motion carried unanimously.
- Website listings for Certified Trainers [Alex Pregitzer]
The Education committee suggests any trainers who are not members of the USIHC should not be listed on the Congress website. Further discussion attached.
Sara Lyter moved the Board adopt the committee's recommendations. The motion carried with the approval of all Board members except Katrin Sheehan who abstained.
- FEIF Trainer Course & Preparation Seminars [Alex Pregitzer]
The Education committee seeks sanction for a Trainer Course with a target date of November 2011 to be held at Creekside Farm. Further the committee would like to offer preparation seminars in March 2011. See attached discussion and cost calculations.

Sara Lyter moved the Board sanction the Trainer Seminar to be scheduled for November 2011 to take place at Creekside Farm. The Board unanimously approved the sanction.

Sara Lyter moved the Board approve the development and execution of the trainer preparation course to be held in March 2011 at Creekside Farm with Nicole Kempf as the instructor. The motion carried with the approval of all Board members except Katrin Sheehan who abstained.

- Future of Congress Annual Meetings. [Anne Elwell & Doug Smith]
Anne will investigate whether a New Jersey non-profit corporation can legally operate without an annual meeting. Once Anne reports back to the Board, it will have a discussion regarding the future of in-person annual meetings for the Congress.

Open Portion of Meeting Adjourned at 8:10PM.

Executive Session