

**MINUTES**  
NORCAL HUNTER JUMPER ASSOCIATION  
Board Meeting 2021/5  
August 16, 2021

Meeting called to order 3:05 pm

I. ROLL CALL:

- a. Archer, Benvenuti, Borges, DiCorti-Bush, Hudson, Kalember, Lambert, Lampton, Rattigan, Runk
- b. Absent: Hayes
- c. Kelly Maddox and Kim Chilcote resigned from the Board.

II. CONFIDENTIALITY POLICY

- a. Reminder that all board members have signed the [Non Disclosure Agreement](#) and agree to abide by the terms of this document.

III. SPONSOR REVIEW

- a. Sponsorship levels offered - [click here](#) for more information to share to interested parties
  - i. Current confirmed sponsors for this year:
    - 1. Blackhound Equestrian, Blue Water Farm, Cheval Equestrian, Hayes Training, Headlands Management, Horizon's East, JH Sporthorses, La Salle Farms, Riverbend Equestrian, Rhys Farms, Shady Lane, Sequoia Hills Stables, Looking Stone Farm, Hayes Training, Tally Hawk Stables, Van Vleck Sporthorses, Western Saddlery

IV. MINUTES April 19 Meeting.

- a. [See minutes](#).

V. FINANCIAL REPORT

- a. Wasserman informs the Board that the Financial review will be tabled to until the September meeting due to technical difficulties.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Rule exemption process for horse shows that occur outside of the NorCal boundary (Borges)

- i. Borges notes that we should add a rule in place for how to apply to get a special event rule exemption
  1. Board members discuss circumstances in which this rule exemption process might be used
    - a. Shows applying outside the boundary line
  2. Board members agree to revisit the topic down the line after further research and thought.

## VII. OLD BUSINESS

- a. **2nd VOTE:** NorCal Senior Medal Finals eligibility change
  - i. Old: The winners of the NorCal Junior and Senior Medal Finals are no longer eligible to compete in the NorCal Medal Class. Juniors may, however, compete in the Senior Medal Class when they move up to the Amateur division.
  - ii. New: (Junior) The winners of the NorCal Junior Medal Finals are no longer eligible to compete in the NorCal Medal Class. Juniors may compete in the Senior Medal Class when they move up to the Amateur division.
  - iii. New: (Senior) The winners of the NorCal Senior Medal Finals are no longer eligible to compete in the NorCal Medal Class **for the next 7 years following their win.**
    1. **Board votes unanimously in favor. Change will take place in 2022.**
- b. **2nd VOTE:** NorCal Senior Finals may be combined with Junior
  - i. Old: Beginning in 2016, if there are fewer than eight entered finalists in the NorCal Senior 3'6" Medal Finals the final for Juniors and Seniors will be combined.
  - ii. New: If there are fewer than eight entered finalists in the NorCal Senior 3'6" Medal Finals the final for Juniors and Seniors **may** be combined.
    1. **Board votes unanimously in favor. Change will take place in 2022.**
- c. **2nd VOTE:** Increase membership fees for 2022 (Borges)
  - i. Increase membership fees as follows:
    1. Horse-annual \$50
    2. Individual-annual \$65
    3. Horse-life \$120

4. Individual-life, \$650
5. Individual- 3 year \$180

**a. Board votes unanimously in favor. Change will take place in 2022.**

VIII. COMMITTEES:

- a. Banquet (Rattigan, Kalember)
  - i. Rattigan to check in with hotel this week as far as predicted plan for the banquet and what current or perceived hotel policies will be regarding capacity, masks, vaccinations, etc.
- b. Elections (DiCorti-Bush)
  - i. DiCorti-Bush asks the Board members to please reach out if they know anyone that would be interested in becoming a board member.
- c. Publicity (???)
  - i. Nominate a new publicity Chair?
    1. Benvenuti volunteered for taking over the position
  - ii. Archer noted that he has been speaking to Brit regarding social media publication regarding the medal finals; Archer confirmed that Brit will be in contact with Brooke (WPE) regarding fluid communication and social media publicity for the Medal Finals
- d. Fundraising (Borges)
- e. Lobbying/Liaison (Kalember)
  - i. See Affiliate member benefit PDF.
    1. Kalember asks board to review benefits; notes there are many member benefits that no one knows about, including grant opportunities that we could apply for due to affiliate membership
    2. Kalember will plan to work with Benvenuti regarding member benefits and social media publication to spread the word
- f. Medal Finals (Runk)
  - i. Runk confirms that former West Palms contact Sara Nastri is no longer involved with WPE or the Medal Finals; Caroline Jones will now be working with WPE and will be the NorCal contact for the Medal Finals
    1. Runk, Borges, Archer, and Wasserman met with Caroline and Adrienne Karissizis last week
      - a. Covered the EHV topic and planned policy for the show
      - b. Discussed COVID policies in Sacramento county at this point in time
      - c. Discussed planned parties and menus

- i. Runk confirms that trainers luncheon, draw party, finalist breakfast, grand prix dinner will all continue as planned
    - ii. Runk reminds the board that in 2020 we did a digital program rather than the traditional hard copy program; asks Board for further input on programs
    - iii. Lambert inquires regarding a plan of attack should an EHV outbreak occur; Hudson shares experience from a managerial perspective based on past events; Runk confirms that he will be on the grounds at the Medal Finals and can monitor any situations regarding EHV should they arise
    - iv. Runk confirms that Hudson has agreed to be the Technical Delegate for the Finals
    - v. Areas where board member volunteers are needed:
      - 1. Wasserman will plan to group text if help is needed during the show
      - 2. Rattigan on board Thursday afternoon through Sunday
      - 3. Fill and organize gift bags for Draw Party (Thursday/Friday)
        - a. Borges, DiCorti-Bush
      - 4. Organize draw party tables/chairs/stage (Friday)
        - a. Borges, DiCorti-Bush
      - 5. Record and annotate draw numbers from exhibitors (Friday)
        - a. Borges, DiCorti-Bush
      - 6. Assist Lauren with NorCal members table
        - a. Thursday-Sunday
        - b. Archer to help or send representatives
      - 7. Observe Medal Finals class for problems and report to David/WPE/TD as well as assist Awards Coordinator with Presentation and Photos (Junior/Senior/3"/Pony on Saturday/Sunday)
      - 8. Hand out programs to attendees (Saturday/Sunday)
      - 9. Hand out hats to trainers and exhibitors (Saturday/Sunday)
        - a. Borges
    - vi. Lauren to reach out regarding further commitments closer to the finals
    - vii. Runk notes that garment bags do not seem to be popular anymore; may be time for a change
    - viii. Swag- T shirt, plastic cup with straw, hoodies, sun hats
- g. Special Events
  - i. Clinic (Hayes)
    - 1. Cordless mics, do we need one or did MEC acquire one
    - 2. Borges to research
  - ii. Developing Young Professional Program - Tabled to 2022

- iii. Equitation Classics - Tabled to 2022
- h. Rules (Hudson)
  - i. Wasserman and Hudson to update test for the work-off to include current test options and appropriate numbering.
- i. Show Standards (Hudson, Benvenuti)
- j. Technology (Lampton)

Meeting adjourned at 4:33pm

#### IX. DATE & LOCATION OF NEXT MEETING

September 28 @ 5:00pm at Murieta Equestrian Center