

Agenda Ride & Tie Board Meeting May 9, 2019

Members present: Janice Heltibridle, Steve Anderson, Sara Boelt, Susan Smyth, Chris Amaral, Carrie Baris, Greg Fellers, and Rufus Schneider

Members Absent: Courtney Krueger, Gunilla Pratt, Steve Shaw, Mary Tiscornia

Invited: Joanne Mitchell, Ben Volk

1. Board Minutes from March 14, 2019 meeting - change to tax note on last minutes to "Tax Return 1099 has been completed". Greg Fellers made motion to approve. Susan Smyth seconded. Minutes approved.

2. 2019 World Championship - Jamestown, TN – August 17, 2019 (J.Mitchell) – entry form has been posted on the website. Greg will be arriving Thursday night, so will miss the board meeting. Both the championship equathon and ride and tie buckle races will be on the same day.

3. Committee Reports

a. Technology Committee - Trish has been under the weather, but has made a lot of updates on the website recently. Minutes are uploaded and board member information updated. Liz has been helping, but will be moving to Canada and may not be available to help as much then.

b. Treasurer's Report - passed.

c. Ad Hoc Committee – Godfrey Sullivan swag - bumper stickers ordered and distributed: 500 of the old style and 500 green ones that say "Try ride and tie and equathon". Hats have been distributed at rides, and are very popular. Clarification asked on who should get swag...Answer – anyone who can help promote R&T, i.e. long time members, donors, vets, participants.

4. 2019 Western Regional Championship – Bandit Springs, OR - July 13, 2019 (Ben Volk) - No updates. Ride and Tie on Saturday, Equathon on Sunday. Endurance ride at the same time. Rufus has ordered the shirts. Getting an extra vet for Saturday to make sure there is enough help. Event will be advertised on Facebook, as well as ads in AERC magazine. Ben will mail the Best Condition trophy to the EC for the championship.

5. 2020 - 50th Anniversary Race (Cuneo Creek/ Sequoya Ward – June 21, 2020) - Ride manager requested a flyer she can print off and old championship t shirts she could wear to events she attends to help advertise that way. Janice will work on a flyer and check into ordering a 2018 championship t-shirt from Tracy Bakewell (R&T Store).

6. Safe Sport Act - Courtney and Janice reached out to Rebecca London, \$300 retainer for legal advice. She prepared a document answering questions about our responsibility to Safe Sport. Courtney is willing to volunteer as sanctioning officer to take over providing the office and outreach position. Question: would he be willing to do this for life, even if not on the board anymore? Other training received by teachers or clergy that is not specifically Safe Sport does not fulfill the requirement for Safe Sport. Greg Fellers made motion for Board to reimburse any Board Member, Race Director or other and/or ride and tie official that chooses to complete the training. Sara seconded it. All in favor, approved. Vets do not have to, but best practices would be for sponsors of minors to attend training. Waiver will include language that makes entrants aware of Safe Sport. Board members and race directors should be trained. Bylaws, documents,

and waivers need to be reviewed by Rebecca London in order to change language to adhere to Safe Sport. Greg made a motion to do this, Sara seconded it. All in favor, approved.

7. Storage Trailer - trailer weighs about 2,500 pounds. Bearings have been redone and so have tires. Joanne Mitchell willing to take it on the east coast. Should we move the big one to the east coast and get a smaller one for the west coast? It is currently titled in California. The cost is \$10 every 5 years to renew. Registration would have to be changed to TN. Nonprofit fee for registration? No insurance exists currently on the trailer; whoever is towing it should be self-insured. Chris made a motion to send the current trailer to the EC and purchase a smaller trailer for the WC. Steve A. seconded it. Will work out logistics later. Chris will look into cost for a smaller trailer for the WC.

8. Other

a. Question/clarification requested regarding Outback Station R&T. Is a three day event held in conjunction with PNER 3Peat distance rides? Ben will forward flyer.

b. Next board meeting is scheduled for Thursday before the West Coast Championship, should we move it to earlier or later? Moved to July 18th.

9. Adjourn - 10:15pm.

Next meeting – July 18, 2019 6:00 PM Pacific/9:00 PM Eastern