

Ride and Tie Board Meeting July 7, 2022 9 pm EST/6 pm PST

1. Call to order - 6:04pm/9:04pm

2. Roll call - Janice Heltibridle, Sara Boelt, Steve Shaw, Steve Anderson, Courtney Krueger, Lani Newcomb, Carrie Baris, Greg Fellers

3. Approval of minutes from the last meeting (May 26, 2022) - Approval of Minutes Motion - Greg Fellers, Second - Steve Anderson. Motion passed.

4. 50th World Championship - Joined by Sequoya Ward. Only three entered in the long course so far, but many in other distances. Been working with Annette Parsons to organize the ride, especially with maps and participant guide. Suggestion to share as much as possible, maps and participant guide especially, online beforehand. Question of what to do if RD gets Covid - Sequoya will have back up plan in place for assistant RD to step in. Need new caterer, the one lined up had to back out, working on a solution. Janice is closing sales for raffle tickets online, but suggested we make sure to sell them at the ride.

5. Open issues/Committee Reports:

a. Godfrey Sullivan Committee - N/A

b. Nominating Committee - Three people ran for boards, three people accepted. Rhonda Venable, Bob Heltibridle, Lani Newcomb. At Worlds, a member of the board will announce new board members.

c. Vet Scholarship Committee - N/A

d. R&T/AERC Committee - About to send first payment to AERC, committee still working on new ideas for next year. Steve Anderson asking about money left for ride managers for the rest of the year. Courtney showed which rides are asking for the stipend from now until the end of the year. Cap for spending is \$10,000 - \$7,500 for rides, and \$2,500 to AERC. If we go over our cap, we will have funds donated to cover it - Steve Shaw. Should examine what we are getting for our dollars this year and meet to discuss what we will do for 2023.

e. Treasurer's Report - Steve Anderson reviewed the report. Paying \$83 a month for hosting, discussion of whether or not we should switch that. Plan to discuss at a later board meeting.

f. Horse Awards - Gave out horse awards at championships. West coast ones will be given out at Worlds.

6. Ongoing Business:

a. Compensation for stand alone rides - Susan is still working on a proposal.

7. New Business:

a. 2023 World Championships - Dan and Jim will no longer be involved, so Worlds should be on the East Coast in 2023. Sara has been talking to Biltmore, and Clemson has been suggested.

b. 2023 AERC Convention Jacksonville, FL - Laurie Underwood contacted Sara about donating and supporting the convention with a group. Sara will forward the email to us so we can plan for it.

c. Newsletter - Gunilla turned over newsletter to Courtney. Newsletter is at the printer now. Going forward Courtney is willing to take over newsletter, and will train Rhonda to do sanctioning so he has the time. Deadlines have been problematic for a long time, hopefully this will alleviate this problem. Vote to allow Courtney to be the editor/organizer for the newsletter. Motion passed. Vet scholarship winners still need to be published, plan to do that after the two championship newsletters have been published. Use these to generate interest in next year's vet scholarship. Sara suggested focusing on the 50th for now, figure out the rest of the schedule later.

d. Year End Award for Juniors - Age limit would be 16. Courtney also suggested having a Junior Editor for the newsletter, as well as awards.

8. Adjourn - 10:15pm/7:15pm - Next Meeting Thursday, August 18, 2022 9 PM EST/6 PM PST