

1. Call to order

2. Roll call - Carrie Baris, Sara Boelt, Courtney Krueger, Alison Zeytoonian, Steve Anderson, Steve Shaw, Lani Newcomb, Bob Heltibridle, Greg Fellers, Rhonda Venable

3. Approval of minutes from the last meeting (December 15, 2022) - Steve Anderson wanted to amend the minutes, based on the Treasurer's Report. Motion to accept the minutes with amendment - Courtney Krueger, Second - Lani Newcomb. Motion passed.

4. Committees: (Note that since Janice has stepped down, we need to figure out what committees she was on and replace her on those committees).

- a. Godfrey Sullivan Committee: Steve Shaw - Suggestion to have at least two people on the committee.
- b. Nominating Committee: Lani Newcomb - Recruited Chris Amaral, was planning to be part of the general election, but is being asked to step in now since Janice stepped down. Should he be asked to take the VP position. February 16th is the deadline.
- c. Vet Scholarship: Greg Fellers - 26 entries (more than last year) by deadline on January 15th. Lani, Chris, and Greg will review essays when they get them from Melinda.
- d. R&T/AERC Committee: Steve Shaw - Amount decreased for partnership for 2023.
- e. Treasurer's Report: Steve Anderson - Review of all account balances. 2023 Budget - Advertising - PNER ad has been created, needs to be paid. Sara is making copies of the trifold to send to AERC convention. Fliers for 51st World need to be sent to the AERC convention as well. Troy from AERC contacted us about advertising in Endurance News. Discussion of what to put in budget for printing ads for 2023 for convention and in AERC publications. Decision to set aside \$500 for those ads. Change amount set aside for AERC stipend down to \$3,500 from \$7,500. Amount spent in 2023 on website costs will potentially be higher since we are working on changing our website services, so that section of our budget can't be determined until we make a decision. Still in the process of meeting with different companies. Can eliminate cost of 2023 Regional Championship since the west coast decided not to have one.
- f. Horse Awards: Bob - Two horses have qualified this year, Bob will be able to make those for this year.
- g. Publications: Bob - Courtney reports on newsletter, dropping one edition for 2023, sending out handbook instead.

- h. Technology: Janice with the committee is looking into this as reported under the budget.

## 5. Ongoing Business

- a. Youth Year End Awards: Still trying to figure out a way to track without doing it manually. Currently on hold until we figure out tracking, maybe with new database.
- b. 2023 AERC Convention in Jacksonville: Sara making a display board to send with Joanne and hope to get some trifold printed with race schedule on it. Steve Anderson needs budget costs.
- c. Webinars with AERC for 2023: Topic idea - How to train a horse to do ride and tie? What is equathon? Alison will work on PowerPoints for them.
- d. 2023 World Championship - No updates as of now.
- e. Sponsors: We have a sponsorship form that Sara will send out for when we are asking for sponsors. Alison will reach out to Specialized to see if they can do anything since so many ride and tiers bought their saddles this year. Sponsors needed for Ride and Tie Association and World Championship.

## 6. New Business

- a. Helmets - Decision had been made to only use photos on the cover of the newsletter that have people wearing helmets, but there is no formal rule about people wearing helmets in photos in the newsletter.
- b. Chris Amaral - Appoint Chris to fill the remainder of Janice's term. Motion to vote Chris Amaral in as a member of the board - Bob. Second - Steve. Motion passed. Will ask him about taking over VP position.

Adjourn: 7:18/10:18pm.

Next meeting: March 9, 2023 9 pm EST/6pm PST