

**MINUTES**  
NORCAL HUNTER JUMPER ASSOCIATION  
Board Meeting 2020/3  
April 20, 2020

Meeting called to order at 3:05pm

I. ROLL CALL:

- a. Present: Archer, Chilcote, Borges, DiCorti-Bush, Geffken, Hayes, House, Hudson, Kalember, Lampton, Maddox, Orlin, Rattigan, Runk
- b. Absent: Benvenuti, Lambert

II. SPONSOR REVIEW

- a. See current [list of confirmed sponsors](#)

III. MINUTES March 23 Meeting.

- a. [See minutes.](#)

IV. FINANCIAL REPORT (Borges)

- a. Financial documents now available online ([See 2020 financials](#)).
  - i. Borges reports that horse and medal rider fees are down as expected given COVID-19 and the subsequent suspension of USEF shows
  - ii. Borges notes expenses for banquet appear increased from last year but this is actually due to the 2021 deposit being made earlier in the year this year compared to 2019

V. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Modify Medal Finals qualifying rules in light of COVID-19 show cancellations
  - i. All medals will adopt a “ride to qualify” policy
    - 1. Any rider completing the course in any of the Norcal medals will automatically qualify for the Finals
    - 2. Any rider with points earned prior to the suspension of shows will automatically be qualified
    - 3. **MOTION:** All NorCal medals for the remainder of the 2020 qualifying season will adopt a ride to qualify policy.
      - a. **1ST VOTE:** unanimously in favor
- b. Update on Medal Finals contract renewal (Lampton)

- i. Lampton confirms that Polly Hey is currently reviewing the updated contract with West Palms; once Hey gives her approval we will contact West Palms to finalize
- ii. Final draft of contract will be viewable for board members on the Google Drive

## VI. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Should NorCal be doing anything to address the COVID-19 pandemic?  
(Lampton)
  - i. Archer notes that Norcal was approached by CPHA in an effort to ask for help gathering funds for show professionals who are currently out of work due to the COVID-19 pandemic
    1. Executive Committee came up with the NorCal Match campaign which has been advertised on the NorCal social media outlets over the past week
    2. Money raised in Northern California will go to horse show professionals who work in Northern California
  - ii. Rattigan notes that the campaign has been trying to actively reach out to grooms and braiders as well
  - iii. Rattigan asks board members to reach out to any eligible workers they may know and encourage them to apply for the program soon
  - iv. Rattigan confirms that the program is aiming to donate an average of \$750 to each application
- b. Confirm Date/Time/Location for Clinic meeting
  - i. Lampton confirms that NorCal clinic will take place December 3-6, 2020
    1. Board members concur that Saturday, December 5th @ 6:00pm would probably work best for all as clinic meeting/dinner

## VII. COMMITTEES: -- <https://www.norcalhunterjumpers.com/board>

1. Banquet (Rattigan)
  - a. Rattigan notes that he and Wasserman will research the cancellation policy and deadlines pertaining to the banquet contract given potential unprecedented outcomes of the show season due to COVID-19
2. Elections (Runk)
3. Publicity (Chilcote)
4. Fundraising (Borges/Geffken/DiCorti-Bush)

- a. Borges notes that Headlands Management and Sally Hudson confirmed their Grand Champion Sponsorship for 2020
  - b. Borges notes that an email was sent to 2019 sponsors regarding renewing by April 7
    - i. Borges confirms that there was little response, likely due to everything going on surrounding the suspension of shows
  - c. Borges plans for the fundraising committee to touch base with alternative plan to recruit sponsors given everything going on with COVID-19
5. Lobbying/Liaison (Kalamber/Chilcote)
- a. Kalamber confirms that she will have Zone 10 updates on changes with class specs for 2021 at the next meeting
    - i. Hudson reviews various proposed changes in class specs with board members and will relay board member opinions at the next USHJA meeting
  - b. Kalamber confirms she will be representing Zone 10 on the national council for USHJA- first meeting for council scheduled in May
6. Medal Finals (Runk)
- a. Runk notes that Natri agreed with new medal finals qualification proposal
7. Special Events
- a. Developing Young Professional Program/Scholarship (Archer/Borges)
  - b. Clinic (Hayes)
    - i. Hayes notes that she will reach out to Tim Postel this week regarding jump rental and propose possible exchange for sponsorship
    - ii. Hayes also plans to prepare cost analysis between two property rentals (MEC & LEI)
    - iii. Board members concur that the 2020 clinician, Frank Madden should be paid at his normal rate of \$2500 per day, which would be an increase from the historical NorCal clinician rate of \$8,000 for the clinic
  - c. Eq Classics (Borges/House)
    - i. Hudson confirms that prizes should be ordered no later than August 1, 2020
8. Rules (Lambert)
9. Show Standards (Benvenuti)
10. Technology (Lampton)

- a. Wasserman notes that board members should make sure they are following the correct Instagram account (@ norcalhj) as the previous one was compromised)

Meeting commenced at 4:17pm

VII. DATE & LOCATION OF NEXT MEETING:

**June 8, 2020 - 3:00pm**

**Join Online:**

<https://zoom.us/j/4735289012>

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Meeting ID: 473 528 9012