

Ontario Eventing Association Board of Directors Meeting
April 11, 2022
Final Minutes

Present: Ann Neal, Caroline Abrahams, Sarah Richardson, Justin Ridgewell, Kelly Gravelle, Char Hodgson, Linda Plank, Terri Hough-Gilmour, Nikki Maclellan, Doug Topalovic, Selena O’Hanlon

Regrets: Kendal Lehari

Call to Order: 7:05 p.m.

1. Meeting Opening

*Veronica moved, Doug seconded and it was carried to approve the agenda.
Sarah moved, Char seconded and it was carried to approve the Feb 14th minutes.*

2. Matters for Discussion

Declarations of Conflict of Interest

Ann noted that we needed to follow up on COI declarations for members not present at our last meeting.

- i. Terri Hough Gilmour – none

EC/OE Issues

Letter to organizer regarding non-payment of issues was sent and we are waiting on a response.

3. Treasurers Report

Cheryl noted that we are not yet in a position to vote on the budget and we don’t yet have the U25 budget. Once we have that component the budget will be circulated for an email vote.

4. Committee Reports

a. Governance & Policy

Ann raised the need for a formal complaints policy, so that there is a clear process to follow in future with complaints and disputes.

Action:

Kelly agreed to start working on this policy

b. Communications

Char noted that she needs content from other committees on issues/topics for posting. Discussion ensued about a U25 post as the deadline for signups is May 15th.

c. Sport Development

Young Rider/U25:

Veronica reported that Kendal and Nikki have agreed to co-Chair the committee going forward. A total of 9 clinics are planned in 2022 with three in the East and six in Central Ontario. \$8,000 has been budgeted for the clinics. It was also noted that Ontario intends to field teams for each of the 1*, 2* and 3* at the NAYRC this year in Tryon. It was noted that we need to send a communication to both EC and OE to make the aware and to ensure we are considered for funding.

There is \$10,000 in Travel and Training grants. Now it needs to be tied into rider levels. Max award per applicant is \$1,000. Intention for Travel grant is to in part allow riders from East and West to attend GTA clinics/events.

A motion related to the entire budget, program and change in co Chairs will be circulated as a motion for voting.

Adult Riders:

Ann and Terri are planning on two more schooling days for Adult Riders at PE to PT levels and a derby later in the year at Springhill Farm. It was discussed that these should be planned for late afternoon to early evening for adult riders.

Coaching:

No Report

Schooling Days:

April 24th is planned for a schooling day in the East. Two cross country days planned for Bronte and Stevens Creek and August 10th for a dressage day in the East. Veronica noted that there is an individual in Windsor interested in hosting a schooling day.

d. Competitions

Organizers:

It was noted that Nikki and Sarah will move forward to co-ordinate and organize more meetings. Cheryl advised that now is the time of year to probe for dates for the following year. It was also noted that we should update CIP forms on website.

Officials/Safety/Rules:

All we have at the moment is the date and location of the Officials clinic at WilloWind July 9/10.

5. Other Matters

It was noted that we do need volunteers to take over the banquet committee. Kelly has volunteered. Char was also reminded about the video prepared by V. Chu to post. Sarah and Kelly reported on the PHTA meeting. Sarah noted that she would circulate her notes for discussion at the next meeting. There was a lot of reporting but little discussion.

6. Next meeting

The next meeting will be Monday May 9th.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.