

Greater Orlando Hunter Jumper Association (GOHJA)

Meeting Minutes

January 22, 2018

Present: Wendy Trocano, Michelle Durocher, Jenelle Branom, Jovanna Nelson, Karin Zeigler, Maggie LeClair, Laura Barrett-Gurtis, Jacque Gellein, Candy Murray, Peggy Stevens and Chris Reid.

Location: UCF, 7:02-8:50 PM*

*Meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by Wendy Trocano.

Minutes

The minutes of the May and October meetings were corrected/amended and will be approved at the next meeting. The minute of the January meeting were approved as posted.

Treasurer

Karin reported there is \$5839.68 in the bank (pending checks written on the account today). There are operational expenses coming up of about \$3000, leaving about \$2800. The 2017 Banquet cost \$29,828.85. The December show helped tremendously.

Steward

We need to add a line for the GOHJA admin. fee of \$125 to the Steward's Report master. Karin is missing some sanction fees for this show year. Maggie reported on the December and January shows.

Membership

Michelle reported there are 147 memberships; 87 junior, 33 amateur, 17 professional, 10 supporting.

Rules and Regs

Jacque reports that she, Wendy and Candy have been working on rules changes that need to be addressed and updated. The major focus is: How horse show management can change from one to another in ways that make sense, follow our history, updates and opens the door to new management. (see attached 4 pages). There was a discussion about using new language for transferring a show, change of management, timing, etc. Finals, costs and other management issues were discussed. We are asked to think about what parameters should be put around sales, bequeathing a show, etc.

Clarcona contracts with each show management, not GOHJA. If a show is transferred/etc. the park can go to their wait list and not give the date to the new owner. This needs to be discussed in a meeting with Clarcona Park officials.

The goal is to make a change in management easier, clearer and more transparent. They are open to language changes, perhaps using licensee instead of show management or show owner, a better framework as we move forward?

Fees were proposed to be required in order to be placed on the wait list, to become a sanctioned licensee. When you become the new management, a transfer fee would be paid to GOHJA.

Proposed fee categories: 1. Wait list. \$ credited toward the application fee? 2. Non-refundable

application fee (1st year sanction fee could be included, adds weight) 3. Sanction fee ..ongoing for management/licensees after 1st year.

Jacque will rewrite, will take in changes, suggestions, we will continue the discussion online.

Wait List Discussion

Jacque, Wendy and Candy have done extensive research on the wait list. Debbie Bjerkestrand is adamant that she has been on the list, but no one has been able to locate an actual list. There was a discussion about where on the list she should be listed. Laura moved that we acknowledge that Debbie Bjerkestrand is on the list, but not in a certain order. Jovanna seconded the motion and it was carried. Jacque will ask her for a written statement. The discussion continued about where on the list she would be according to new sanctioning rules. Decisions will be ongoing. Laura presented the sanction paperwork for Donna's February show. She needs 2 managers...Wendy and Lesli. Candy moved to accept the paperwork, Michelle seconded and it was so moved.

Banquet

There will be no sponsors this year for the Banquet, except ads. Wendy talked about the need for an advertising person to follow up with our known and new contacts...hard for us to do all the calling and contacting. Perhaps designate a person/parent from each barn for fund raising or reaching out to possible supporters. Or, to divvy up the membership list and call people. Perhaps a new tshirt? Contest for the design? Candy offered it is important to start the hype for the 40th Anniversary asap...start with an ad in the Barrett Program.

It will be our 40th Anniversary this year. The Board should bring sponsors, maybe a package deal for ads at shows, add money and get an ad in the Benefit Show or program.

Benefit Show

Jovanna talked about the importance of this show to our overall financial status. She wondered if making it a SE Medal Final Qualifier would add entries? We need to be aware of cross marketing possibilities. There will be more discussion of the Benefit Show at the next HSC meeting in February.

Old Business

New Business

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

*The next meeting will be the 2nd Monday in March.