

**BCEA**  
**Directors Meeting**  
**Zoom Virtual Meeting**  
**April 27, 2022**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Attendance:** Julie Johannson, Debbie Dorosh, Ian MacLean, Jan Mills, Bob Mason, Maeve Drew, Carol McDonald, Kathleen Weare, Brandy Saunders, Ali Holmes-Smith, Sarah McKenzie, Lynda Ramsay.

Absent: Nicole Kovacik, Sue Kovacik

Recording Secretary: Jan Mills

Meeting called to order @ 7:07pm by Julie Johannson, President

**Minutes:** minutes of Feb 15, 2022 meeting circulated by email.

*MOTION: to accept Minutes of Feb 15, 2022 as circulated. Ali Holmes-Smith/Carol McDonald, carried.*

**Business Arising from Minutes:**

- Money received back from Mustang Powder.
- We will go through the budget actuals at our next directors meeting
- Sponsorship committee is working on sending out the questionnaire to the membership

**Committee Chairs** - Lynda & Carol thank you for taking on Co-Chairing the Organizers Committee. Kathleen thank you for taking on Chair of the Funding Committee. Chair of the Championships, Teams & Awards to be determined – Sue Kovacik?

**Donations to Enhancement Fund - Carol** - the link through Sport BC (through the HCBC website) to donate to our enhancement fund still shows HTBC. Current balance of \$248.06  
 Suggested to set up a dedicated page for donations to the enhancement fund through Sport BC.

**HCBC has created a new division called Derby Cross** – Julie stumbled across this by happenstance and queried Sandy at Horse Council about it and their ability to create this division. It was created for HC to make sure there was a provincial champs to get funding through VIA Sport. We already have Championship criteria so it was unnecessary to create this division. Julie had a long conversation with Craig (executive director) about this. For now it's on hold. Perhaps Craig can attend our AGM to discuss business. Conversation around divisions, sanctioning etc etc. The MOU (memorandum of understanding) with EC etc etc.

**New Course Designer & Builder** - Brian Vicars is a new course design & builder in Alberta. He recently became certified through arrangements he made as he wasn't getting anywhere through EC. Kathleen will share his contact info with Julie. Excellent to have another designer & builder in the West.

**BC Summer Games update – Lynda** – qualifying clinics continue to the end of May. A development camp in Prince George in a couple of weeks. The island is struggling to find a facility and not successful so far. Only 4 fences are allowed in the derby. Event riders have the most qualified for the games. Why only 48 athletes allowed for the games? Lynda will sit in on a zoom meeting tomorrow to discuss the process. They are still looking for a couple of assistant coaches. Maeve & Brandy are on the coach list. In 2024 the games will be held at Maple Ridge. Brandy asks Lynda if there is any travel money for to attend to the games? Yes there is.

Vaulting horses will be shipped commercially. There will be funding for horses being shipped in personal trailers. Riders from the far zones can be flown in. Fuel will be paid for. Submit receipts afterwards. More info to follow. Thanks to Lynda for taking on the position with the Summer Games organizing committee.

**Island 22 update** – Bob – expected to receive a geo tech report on Friday but hasn't received it yet. He did have a conversation with Fraser Valley Regional District regarding the report. The proposal Les Johnson put forward was \$3,000 to \$10,000. The Geotech thinks this solution will work. Fraser Valley Regional District is willing to help out whether it be financially or in product. There are other entities that use the rings but we are the only ones that use it for competition. FVRD paid the bill for the Geotech to assess. Information will be circulated to the membership regarding the state of the facility prior to the event. Thanks to Bob for being our connection to this repair project.

**Financials** – Ian – no movement forward on changing banks. Ian received the new visa from Royal bank under the new association name and new treasurer. The points didn't move over to the new card but Ian's working on it.

**AGM** – Julie shared our executive decision to not proceed with signing the contract with Harrison for the 2022 year end AGM and awards banquet. Due to the continued uncertainty of Covid, the risk of cancellation still feels very concerning. Cancellation fees impact the full value of the signed contract therefore risking a significant amount of BCEA funds should we need to cancel. For one more year the executive felt the need to make alternate arrangements for the AGM and awards banquet. Jan has looked into the Coast Chilliwack Hotel. They have availability and will only keep a percentage of the deposit we pay should we need to cancel. Question is....do we want to go to the Coast Chilliwack or do another AGM by zoom? Feeling from the directors is a face to face AGM and meetings is really important this year. Jan will talk to the coast hotel and get pricing and deposit amount. Clarification on deposit and cancellation etc. Jan will take this info to the executive for viewing before anything is signed.

**Organizers Paperwork** – Carol – carol had the paperwork printed at Sure copy on the coast for a very good price. The Vernon shop had quoted very high so Carol took it over.

**Education Clinic** – Debbie – at 130 riders and is full to overflowing. There is a wait list but no more horses can be accepted unless there are cancellations. All these entries came in within a month! Amazing response to this clinic! There may not be any space for extra horses to come. The numbers indicate our membership is excited to get back out there after 2 years of trying times through Covid.

**Next meeting date:** Wednesday June 8, 2022 at 7pm by zoom. Budget update.

**Adjournment:**

*MOTION: to adjourn meeting. Lynda Ramsay/Carol McDonald, carried.*

Meeting adjourned 9:15pm.