

BCEA
Directors Meeting
Zoom Virtual Meeting
September 15, 2022

MEETING MINUTES

Attendance: Julie Johannson, Debbie Dorosh, Ian MacLean, Jan Mills, Bob Mason, Maeve Drew, Carol McDonald, Kathleen Weare, Brandy Saunders, Sarah McKenzie, Sue Kovacik, Lynda Ramsay.

Absent: Ali Holmes-Smith

Recording Secretary: Jan Mills

Meeting called to order @ 7:12pm by Julie Johannson, President

Agenda: agenda circulated by email.

Additions to Agenda – no additions

MOTION: to accept agenda as circulated with addition. Bob Mason/Ian MacLean, carried.

Minutes: minutes of June 8, 2022 meeting circulated by email.

MOTION: to accept Minutes of June 8, 2022 as circulated. Carol McDonald/Kathleen Weare, carried.

Business Arising from Minutes:

- **Summer Games update - Julie:** it was really fun and huge shout out to Ian & Deb for coming to Prince George and being part of it all. There were only 10 horses so a lot of work for 10 horses but the riders really enjoyed. Medals were handed out each day plus the overall medals at the end. The excitement at having a derby course in that area was big. Maeve & Brandy did really well as coaches. The camaraderie was amazing. Food was a little scarce at first but it worked out in the end. Thank you Ian for picking up many coffees and lots of food for us. The whole thing was well worth it and great for the sport. We look forward to the next Summer Games in Maple Ridge at MREC. Next time there will be clearer guidelines of coaching etc. Brandy & Maeve were very busy, time was a little too structured. Lynda is working at clarifications for next time at Maple Ridge. Great participants & nice to see a lot of spectators. All discipline chairs will be contacted for input on what needs to be altered, improved or changed for next time. Carol would like to give input on the application/selection process. The current package was really lacking so needs clearer parameters and the forms needs tweaking. Lynda encourages all input to help make next time a smoother experience.
- **Island 22 update – Bob:** the grounds held up well, it was a tough/good course and the event went well. Bob saw no issues with the footing at all and didn't hear anything. He did hear indirectly that the rings could do with some topping material. The Island 22 people were very happy. Approximately 35 fences are up in the 3 rings so people can go in and ride & school. The x-country jumps were taken off the course yesterday. Island 22 left the x-country fences out for 10 days so people could pay a fee to school. This provided some extra profit for Island 22.
- **AGM 2022 – Julie & Jan:** after much deliberation and conversation the executive made the difficult decision to run the AGM by zoom another year. The risk in booking the hotel held a much larger cancelation fee than originally thought. We did not sign the contract with the Coast Hotel, we felt the need to be very careful with BCEA funds. We would like to go ahead

with face to face meetings for the directors but the AGM will be held by zoom one more time. We will look at doing awards during the AGM by zoom. Zoom AGM will be Saturday Nov 26th at 10am. Maybe some riders will talk about their experience at the Summer Games. As directors we need to spend time looking at the sport, look at the ways we can bring the sport to our people. Look at our avenues for growth – we need to think quickly and act really fast. While protecting our current organizers what can we do to encourage more venues and opportunities to ride. This is conversation for our directors meeting this fall. Conversation face to face is best. Ian away Nov 3-10th. Maeve away Oct 5-21. Looks like the weekend of Oct 28-30 is best for directors face to face meetings. We will ask for HC participation to see their perspective on where things are going. Maybe a face from EC could attend as well. Where to meet this fall? Suggested that we meet in the Okanagan this time – maybe Kelowna? Jan will look into hotel pricing in the Kelowna area, somewhere with meeting space and food available.

- **Sponsorship update** – Kathleen: no update.

Correspondence - none

Budget Quarterly Review - Ian – slightly behind on membership. The enhancement fund still has \$1847 in it – this will go back to general.

Committee Updates –

- **Championships, Teams & Awards Committee:** confusion leading up to Isl22 – would Championships be held?? Entries were low so all was in question then suddenly they had enough entries. As it looked like there wouldn't be championships the leaderboard was not done, then at the last minute there was a scramble to create the leaderboard. Thank you to Nicole for taking on the task and doing the leaderboard! Bob will get the end results from the Isl22 crew so we can post results on the website. Do we want to do a member survey regarding what they'd like to do with Championship – do we want to carry on with Champs in the format we've been using? AB has abandoned their championships all together and just go with Year end awards. The awards committee will look at what to put in a survey to members. Ask Craig from HC some questions.
- **Adult Rider Camp:** Ali not on call to speak to this. There were some issues in the planning and execution, a bit too last minute perhaps. Overall it was good but there was some confusion in the planning and entries weren't as high as hoped for.

New Business –

- **EC/PHTA update – Julie:** there have been meetings with EC. We are meeting with the PSOffices to talk about what kind of relationship we need to build. This will be the 3 levels – EC, PHTA & the PSO's. The PSO are concerned with our agreement with EC. Road map and strategic plan is being worked on. Perhaps everyone can take some time to look at the rule changes that are proposed so we can have a voice. Send your thoughts to Julie so she can send collective input to EC. Coaching, officials, organizers perspectives are important. Julie will send our thoughts on to the eventing committee by the end of the month. The eventing committee has the final voice on proposed rule changes.

Next meeting date: October 28-30, 2022 in person, location TBD (discussion via email)

Committee chairs reflect on the year and bring their thoughts to the October meetings.

Adjournment:

MOTION: to adjourn meeting. Maeve Drew/Kathleen Weare, carried.
Meeting adjourned 9:20pm