CALL TO ORDER by President, John Zeliff, at 6:30 p.m. CDT on October 4, 2022.


WEBINARS. Webinars were good. Last couple of webinars were not well attended but they were recorded and added online. Murphy said she knew of several that had registered but due to work and other things were unable to attend the live event but would watch the recording. Muench was asking when to consider the next webinar. Looking at January for the next one.

2022 Obstacle Challenge. Murphy. The last set is being judged and will be wrapped up soon. That will be the final series and our last challenge. The rubrics were helpful.

JUDGES. Walls. Lori Allen has completed all training for LeD criteria. Motion by Walls, second by Wingle to approve Allen as an LeD judge. Motion carried.

PILOT PROJECT. Pilot scorecards for 2023 are completed; Smith has them at the national office. Training sessions are being set up for judges and flyers are being created for management to use. There will be an article in Hoof Print to educate the entire membership on the project.

National Convention 2023. Meroshneff. The date changed to February 17-18, 2023. It will be held at the Wyndham in Sacramento. Speaker information will be coming out soon. Room nights are $149. Awards banquet will cost $60. Restaurants are within walking distance. There is no airport shuttle service, however board members will be picked up. It is about a 15-minute drive from the airport. They are looking for vendors. Zeliff said an E-News will go out with the updated date.

RAFFLE. Zeliff asked about ticket sales. Most board members still have several tickets. Muench sold all of her tickets and is helping with Murphy’s. Both Zeliff and Stucky have sold about 1/3 of theirs. Diaguila has sold all of hers.

SPONSORS AND PARTNERS. Sandy Pegram from Region 5 is going to co-chair this committee and help keep this current now that everything is up to date. Bev Roberts helped get everything up to date.

2023 TOP TRAIL. Zeliff asked if we want to do the program again in 2023 and the consensus was yes. The goal is to get the number of participants to 100.

BUDGET. Gray indicated her goal is to get the tentative budget out at the November meeting for finalization at the December meeting. She would like proposed items by October 31st.

HONORARY & APPRECIATION. Zeliff reminded board members about the due date for nominations for the honorary and appreciation awards. The deadline and information are in Hoof Print.

LOOKING AHEAD TO 2023. Wingle is looking at a way to still do virtual challenges using our own website since we will no longer use Submit.com. Walls stated top concern is technology and that should be the main emphasis. Gray’s main concern is how does that bring in membership and that is very expensive so how do we pay for that? Discussion around RMS. Region 1 is primarily using paper forms. All other regions are all using RMS. Zeliff said they are looking at more member benefits from sponsors and partners. Zeliff addressed if we want to continue having national conventions after 2023. Suggested that we look to partnering with AERC each year rather than not having one. We need to look at simplifying and streamlining as we have less people to doing the work. Muench asked if we are using all of our committees? Zeliff suggested we look at considering adding LeD national awards.

Next meeting is November 12th at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom webinar.

Meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.