

**Ontario Eventing Association Board of Directors Meeting  
April 11, 2023**

**Present:**, Terri Hough Gilmour, Justin Ridgewell, Nikki Maclellan, Veronica Low, Linda Plank, Bernadette Johnston, Tori Pengelly, Charlotte Hodgson, Jamie Kellock

**Regrets:** Kendal Lehari, Sarah Richardson, Ann Neal, Doug Topalovic, Cheryl Denault

**Call to Order:** 7:08 p.m.

- **1. Meeting Opening**

*Veronica made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 2023, and February 2023 board meetings. The January 2023, and February 2023 minutes have been reviewed by the board and approved by email. Tori seconded approval. The minutes for January 2023 and February 2023 are now approved.*

*Veronica made a motion to approve the March 2023 minutes, and this was seconded by Nikki. March 2023 minutes were approved.*

Veronica has advised of a new conflict of interest. She is helping Bronte Creeks shows with their prizing as their previous volunteer is now working full-time; and she is helping them while they look for someone new to do that.

- **2. Matters for Discussion**

- a. Committee Assignments: U25 and the organizers committee have a lot coming up. Policy and governance will be updated after the PHTA meeting Ann and Sarah are attending.
- b. EV60 guidelines - nothing to update at this time.

- **4. Presidents Report**

- a. Veronica was approached by a sponsor, who donated Himalayan salt licks previously to the OEA. He is going to sponsor all of the events for the year with similar prizes.
- b. Veronica is still waiting to hear back from Macintosh Proline about sponsoring the U25s and will follow-up.

- **5. Treasurers Report**

- a. Veronica is presenting for Cheryl. There was a change to the aged receivable amounts for the MIM clips. Wits End and W-o-W have their MIM clips and therefore the balance has been updated to reflect this.
- b. The Zara Buren Memorial Award grants have begun being paid out starting March 2023.
- c. U25 Tryon funds have been updated per the money fundraised.

Veronica will send out the updated Financials for everyone to review over email.

- **6. Committee Reports**

### ***Communications***

- a. Nothing to report

### ***U25 Committee***

- a. Nikki advised they are going to initially reduce the amounts for grants and funding for now, to ensure there are funds available for the years to come for future programs with the U25.
- b. Nikki is going to reach out to past members who are still eligible to see if they want to rejoin for this year.
- c. The new registration form and grant form are going to be added to the OEA website.
- d. There will be only one leaderboard disbursement in 2023 and it will be at the end of the season this year.
- e. Kendal suggested we have an assessment clinic for the U25 riders where they do a combined test, like a test ride clinic. The coaches would offer their time free. The clinic would finish with a Q&A at the end of the session for future plans, questions etc.
- f. The OEA clinic idea is to have Rebecca Howard who is the Eventing Canada Chef d'equipe. Potential clinic date is July 26/27, 2023. A note was made that Glenarden and Stevens Creek are on the following weekend but the clinic should not affect it. Her clinic fee is £1,200. We would also cover her flight cost. Members could audit if they can't ride in the clinic.

### ***Adult Rider Committee***

- a. Nothing to report

### ***Competitions Committee***

### ***Organizers Subcommittee:***

- a) Nothing to report.

b) It was noted that we should update our website to show that the leaderboard and championships apply to OEA sanctioned events only, and do not include schooling events.

***Officials/Safety/Rules:***

Linda - On coaches and policing the new rules/fee structure. They have left this in the hands of EC and waiting to hear back on that. TDs are saying they will not govern this, so EC will have to govern it. This situation is being followed closely. Linda also confirmed that the show secretaries she spoke with would not be policing this either.

***Sport Development***

Nothing to report.

***Coaching***

Kendal talked to James Hood and discussed that we need webinars for coaches to help explain the license/certified/registered status and changes. Most coaches are not aware that the organizers will be charged if they are coaching at a sanctioned events and not properly licensed/certified/registered.

***Schooling Days***

No updates.

- **7. Other Matters**

Nothing to report.

- **8. Next meeting**

The next meeting will be May 9, 2023

Meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m. by Veronica.

Tori