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CGA Rules & Judges/Riders/General Membership Meeting Minutes for November 19, 2011 Double Tree Hotel, Modesto, CA

I. Introductions/Opening Comments

- A. President, Skip Hofman, called the meeting to order at 9:10am
- B. Vice President, Robert Frates, read the rules and conduct for the meeting.

II. Rules & Judges Items (Voting – Rules & Judges) *ALL CGA Members participated in this portion of the meeting, however ONLY Carded CGA Judges voted on action items at this point.*

- A. **MOTION** by Rebekah Crill to strike the one second penalty for a Western hat falling off. Seconded by Rodger Odom. **MOTION PASSED.**
- B. **MOTION** by Andy Krogh (on behalf of the MAC) - 8.1d Strike “starting gate” and insert “timing poles”. Seconded by Rebekah Crill. **MOTION PASSED**
- C. **MOTION** by Andy Krogh (on behalf of the MAC) – 7.1b Condition 2 - An obstacle was not knocked down in the first run (*Clean Ride*). If an obstacle is knocked down during the second run *or Special Penalty assess (per 8.4)*, the rider will be given the option of a third run and the Penalties of the second run are not carried over to the third run. The time, including penalties, of the third run will then be used as the final time. Seconded by Margaret Whitelaw (Changed items are in italics)
 - a. **MOTION for Amendment** by Sally Rivera-Lingafeldt add including all penalties from the first run. Seconded by Mindy Sullivan. Discussion, vote. **AMENDED MOTION FAILED.**
 - b. **VOTE** on original motion by Andy Krogh, **ORIGINAL MOTION PASSED**
- D. **MOTION** by Andy Krogh (on behalf of the MAC) – Appendix “D” Pony Measurement- Strike “The head of the pony may be in any position.” Insert “The head of the pony should be in a natural position, similar to the picture below. Seconded by Ellen Carr.
 - a. **MOTION for Amendment** by Amanda Martin, include “the pony’s poll shall not be below the withers”. Seconded by Margaret Whitelaw. Discussion, vote. **AMENDED MOTION PASSED.**
 - b. **AMENDED MOTION** by Andy Krogh, – Appendix “D” Pony Measurement- Strike “The head of the pony may be in any position.” Insert “The head of the pony should be in a natural position, similar to the picture below and, the pony’s poll shall not be below the withers.” Seconded by Ellen Carr. Discussion, vote on amended motion. **AMENDED MOTION PASSED**
- E. **MOTION** by Andy Krogh (on behalf of the MAC) - 3.5 Pony Measurements..... Insert the italic words into the current wording...At State *Finals Show* all ponies that are not on the permanent pony list must be measured before the first event is run (by two master judges). An animal that is measured as 54” (54 ¼” with shoes) or less can compete in a pony class. Any animal that is measured as greater than 54” (54 ¼” with shoes) will run in a horse division. However, this horse measurement will not be retroactive and will only apply for the State *Finals Show* for which it was measured. Seconded by Sherri Herchkorn. Discussion, vote. **MOTION PASSED.**
 - a. **MOTION** by Andy Krogh (on behalf of the MAC) - 3.5 Pony Measurements.... Following the line “A pony may only be measured one time at any pony measuring session.” *Insert the following; If you fail your pony measuring session at State Finals Show or at your first measuring session your height will be recoded with State Office (as a horse) and you will not be measured again until the following State Finals Show or the first measuring session you attend the following show season. You may ask for a measurement for information purposes (not a Pony Certificate) one time per season not a state show to verify if you need trimming or shoes or a calmer time for your pony. You may ask for the Information & Certificate measurement at the same measuring session- so long as the pony does not leave the measuring area or the visual range of the Master Judge/s doing the measuring.* Seconded by Belinda Harms.

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- b. **MOTION for Amendment** by Amanda Martin, **This will take effect for measurements made for the 2012/2013 show season**, seconded by Sally Rivera-Lingafeldt. Discussion, vote. **AMENDED MOTION PASSED.**
 - c. **MOTION for Amendment** by Allison Shiffar, include the wording “prior to your certificate measurement”. Seconded by Margaret Whitelaw. Discussion, vote. **AMENDMENT TO MOTION FAILED.**
 - d. **FINAL AMENDED MOTION** by Andy Krogh, **If you fail your pony measuring session at State Finals Show or at your first measuring session your height will be recoded with State Office (as a horse) and you will not be measured again until the following State Finals Show or the first measuring session you attend the following show season. You may ask for a measurement for information purposes (not a Pony Certificate) one time per season not a state show to verify if you need trimming or shoes or a calmer time for your pony. You may ask for the Information & Certificate measurement at the same measuring session- so long as the pony does not leave the measuring area or the visual range of the Master Judge/s doing the measuring. This will take effect for measurements made for the 2012/2013 show season.** Seconded by Belinda Harms. Discussion, vote. **MOTION PASSED.**
 - F. **Discussion by Andy Krogh** (on behalf of the MAC) - splitting the arena.... What equipment to use and how to set it up? Currently not listed in the rule book and needs clarification. Possible add wording to the rule book for the use of delineators and tape (caution, danger, police or similar plastic material). No action taken.
 - G. **MOTION** by Cheryl Braswell - **Beginning 2012/2013 show season the flags used for Figure 8 Flags from a 12 inch finished square to a triangle/pennant with the point of the triangle measuring 12 inches, flag will remain affixed to the center of a two foot dowel which is a ½” in diameter with both ends sharpened to a dull point.** Seconded by Dianna Malley. Discussion, vote. **MOTION FAILED**
 - H. **MOTION** by Barry Rahn - **Make single stake a no – time event rather than accessing a 2 second penalty when the pole is knocked down.** Seconded by Skip Hofman. Discussion, vote. **MOTION FAILED**
 - I. **MOTION** by Lea Legnon **to make it mandatory that a carded judge be present in the arena to oversee course setup.** Seconded by Lea deMontigny. Discussion, vote. **MOTION PASSED.**
- III. **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP New Business (Voting – All Members)** *ALLCGA Members participated in this portion of the meeting, all members 12 & over voted.*
- A. President, Skip Hofman, called the meeting to order at 11:27am
 - B. Vice President, Robert Frates, read the rules and conduct for the meeting.
- A. **Rules & Judges items from Rules and Judges meeting for final vote by the general membership.**
- a. **MOTION** by Rebekah Crill **to strike the one second penalty for a Western hat falling off.** Seconded by Rodger Odom. **MOTION PASSED.**
 - b. **MOTION** by Andy Krogh (on behalf of the MAC) - **8.1d Strike “starting gate” and insert “timing poles”.** Seconded by Rebekah Crill. **MOTION PASSED**
 - c. **MOTION** by Andy Krogh (on behalf of the MAC) – **7.1b Condition 2 - An obstacle was not knocked down in the first run (*Clean Ride*). If an obstacle is knocked down during the second run *or Special Penalty assess (per 8.4)*, the rider will be given the option of a third run and the Penalties of the second run are not carried over to the third run. The time, including penalties, of the third run will then be used as the final time.** Seconded by Margaret Whitelaw (Changed items are in italics). **MOTON PASSED.**
 - d. Appendix “D” Pony Measurement- **Strike “The head of the pony may be in any position.” Insert “The head of the pony should be in a natural position, similar to the picture below and, the pony’s poll shall not be below the withers.”** Seconded by Ellen Carr. **MOTION PASSED.**
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- f. **MOTION** by Andy Krogh, **If you fail your pony measuring session at State Finals Show or at your first measuring session your height will be recoded with State Office (as a horse) and you will not be measured again until the following State Finals Show or the first measuring session you attend the following show season. You may ask for a measurement for information purposes (not a Pony Certificate) one time per season not a state show to verify if you need trimming or shoes or a calmer time for your pony. You may ask for the Information & Certificate measurement at the same measuring session- so long as the pony does not leave the measuring area or the visual range of the Master Judge/s doing the measuring. This will take effect for measurements made for the 2012/2013 show season.** Seconded by Belinda Harms. **MOTION PASSED.**
- g. **MOTION** by Lea Legnon **to make it mandatory that a carded judge be present in the arena to oversee course setup.** Seconded by Lea deMontigny. **MOTION PASSED.**
- B. **MOTION** by Jeannette Stewart **to have a choice of a Jacket or buckle for the Elite Top Ten awards effective immediately.** Seconded by Dianna Malley. **MOTION PASSED.**
- J. **MOTION** by Judy Sharp **to modify the Senior Elite Awards program to include the special Senior Elite Top Ten buckle for the Senior Elite Top Ten Riders retroactive to the start of the 2011-2012 season.**
 - a. **MOTION for Amendment** by Roger Odom **to include Sr. Elite HOF will no longer receive the \$75 for a photo (will still receive the brass plate).** Seconded by Dianna Malley. Discussion, vote. **MOTION TO AMEND PASSED.**
 - b. **AMENDED MOTION** by Judy Sharp **to modify the Senior Elite Awards program to include the special Senior Elite Top Ten buckle for the Senior Elite Top Ten Riders retroactive to the start of the 2011-2012 season and the Sr. Elite HOF will no longer receive the \$75 for a photo (will still receive the brass plate).** Seconded by Roger Odom. **MOTION PASSED.**
- C. **MOTION** by Dianna Malley, **at a state sponsored show a rider must ride in more than 2/3 of the events being run as a regular ride in order to qualify for high point, effective immediately.** Seconded by Spring Krogue. Discussion, Vote. **MOTION PASSED**
- D. **MOTION** by Spring Krogue, **at a state sponsored show in order to qualify for high point awards a rider must ride at least one qualified ride in the division that he/she is competing in, effective immediately.** Seconded by Dianna Malley. Discussion, vote. **MOTION PASSED**
- E. **MOTION** by Phyllis Odom, **at State Sponsored Shows a rider may accumulate points in a higher division than signed up.** Seconded by Jeanette Stewart.
 - a. **MOTION for Amendment** by Dianna Malley, **include the wording "there will only be a one division bump up and only one high point award to be given to the highest placing.** Seconded by Jeanette Stewart. Discussion, vote. **MOTION TO AMEND PASSED.**
 - b. **AMENDED MOTION** by Phyllis Odom, **at State Sponsored Shows a rider may accumulate points in a higher division than signed up and there will only be a one division bump up and only one high point award to be given to the highest placing.** Seconded by Shannon Rahn. Discussion, vote. **AMENDED MOTION PASSED.**
- F. **MOTION** by Amanda Martin, **Rides with penalty points be disqualified from receiving jackpot money.** Seconded by Judy Sharp.
 - a. **MOTION for Amendment** by Barry Rahn, **only implement at state sponsored shows.** Seconded by Vance Mason. Discussion, vote. **MOTION TO AMEND FAILED.**
 - b. Vote on original motion. **MOTION FAILED.**
 - **Motion** by Sheri Herchkorn on behalf of the BOG (from the 3/12/11 BOD Meeting), **the Horse/Pony HOF will only receive one payment of \$75 for a photo and will get all brass plates to coincide with the awards received.** Seconded by Dianna Malley. **MOTION PASSED**

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IV. Other Issues Concerns and Comments (non voting)

- A. Craig Miller – concerned regarding voting and the absentee ballots. According to Craig Miller and the Roberts Rules of Order, the absentee ballot envelope is supposed to be identifiable as to who filled out and completed the ballot. **INCIDENTAL MOTION** by Craig Miller **to move that the election for all positions other than those with a single nominee be declared invalid and another election be held as soon as possible using the proper balloting procedures.** Seconded by Margaret Whitelaw. Short recess while the Board of Governors convened to discuss. Sherri Herchkorn, on behalf of the BOG stated that in regards to the election, Roberts Rules of Order cannot supersede bylaws and policy's set by CGA and our electoral procedure. Stacy Rivera, Parliamentarian, clarified that CGA followed our CGA procedures for balloting procedures. Craig Miller feels that our absentee voters are not being heard and the second mailing of the ballots were not set out correctly. The BOG deems that this is not an emergency due to the same number of ballots went out and 105 came back the first time and 103 came back the second time.
- B. Stacy Kresha questioned CGA's determination of a majority vote and if it was in our policy procedures, Skip Hofman clarified that we have a simple majority and it has been past precedent.
- C. Vance Mason discussed opening ceremonies at state show in regards to CGA's use of the American Flag, he cited concerns that CGA was not following proper etiquette.

V. Adjournment

- A. **MOTION** by Christopher Rowles **to adjourn the meeting**, seconded by Nathan Rowles . Meeting adjourned at 1:43pm.