



TERA Board of Directors

Meeting Minutes April

DATE/TIME: April 14 , 2025, 1939-2045

Guest(s): none

Recorder: Kathy Hezeau

Attendance:

Matt Riley President	P	Alan Padgett Vice President	P	Jessica Reily Treasurer & membership	P	Kathy Hezeau Secretary	P	Todd Hezeau Education & Webmaster	P	Kerry Lowery Awards	P	Debbie Betz Member at Large	P	Debra Lemmons Member at Large	P
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TOPIC	DISCUSSION/CONCLUSION	ACTION
Call to Order	Matt Riley called the meeting to order.	Action: none
Minutes	Minutes were approved as presented. Debbie made a motion and it was seconded by Todd.	Action: Todd to post minutes on website for membership to review.
TERA Business Matt & Alan	a. Ride manager clinic: Alan to discuss and obtain feedback from Breanna, Kristin and Leslie. Debbie requested agenda be placed on google drive. Do we have a share drive for ride managers where information could be available for ride managers. Committee to review current ride manager handbook. b. TERA sanctioning roles: TABA does not have a designated contact person. The president , John, is very hard to reach. TABA funds are to be applied to actions that are for the welfare of the horse. TERA needs to promote TABA and their sport. Consideration of sponsoring rides in neighboring states. Debra noted Texas funds do go into TABA. Matt suggested consideration of AERC Texas adjoining states that have strong TERA attendance. Discussion of financial donations to TERA that are applied to rides. Must be designated for a specific purpose. ie reimbursement for expenses to volunteers. TERA needs to provide letter that describes expenses that the funds were spent on. Articles of Incorporation- Debbie to review list and approved uses. c. TERA Ride Manager Agreement: Discussion of sanctioning vs sponsorship and Ride Sponsorship vs Sanctioning. Current agreement has no discipline or protest process.	Action: Alan to reach out to ride managers for feedback. Debbie/Debra to review/revise ride manager agreement doc and provide feedback. Debbie: articles of incorporation review



	Alan and Dera will work together to review and update guidelines. Ride managers will complete. Horse containment was discussed. Alan drafted document in google drive for review. Committee reviewed AERC re horse containment which provides specific guidelines for safe containment. We will continue to follow the AERC rules. d. TERA/Central Region year end convention and awards ceremony: Bruce with OECR is interested in a combined convention with TERA. TERA budgeted \$3000 towards this for 2026. We could also have our end of year awards at the same time. Suggestions for ride entry drawing- money goes towards central ride location.	
Financials Jessica	a. 2026 Financials: Approved.	Action: none
Awards Kerry	Kerry sent email to Todd of award winners that will be posted on TERA website. Awards budget for 2026 was \$4000 and \$1600 has been spent. Consideration of awards for all TERA members-would need to be all either black or white to keep costs down. Todd to send logo to Kerry for 2026 award use. Etsy has some nice plaques for possible awards. Considering 5 Gal collapsable buckets, fly masks or coolers.	Action: none
Website and New Rider Clinic Todd	a. Website: link added for members only. b. Fall New Riders Clinic: Will hold at Bo and Linda Parrish property. Racing stripes will have some of the attendees from the new rider's clinic. Please be on the lookout for them and welcome them.	Action: none
New Business Alan	a. Ride for 2027 - Kathy & Todd have met with Bo and Linda and are proposing a February 19-20 Ride with Saturday having a 100 mile ride option. They will allow us to use their venue for a TERA sponsored ride. We would need the support of the BOD to help manage and coordinate. Debbie willing to help. Need to establish date and rain date. Kerry recommended Dec time period but that is hunting season. Brianna Smith would like to keep Trace Trails ride for 1st week in Dec. b. Louisiana rides: Kerry has approval for a Louisiana ride for 75 miles this fall and has approval for a 100 mile ride event in November 2027. This is a 5 year permit that will allow 2 rides per year!! WAY to go Kerry!!! c. TERA ride survey: Debbie working completing on TERA ride survey in google drive	Action: Debbie: willing to help with Bo & Linda's ride.
Meeting adjourned	Next meeting September 15th	