



USAWE Annual Member Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: February 5, 2022

Meeting Time: 9:00 a.m. Pacific, 10:00 a.m. Mountain, 11:00 a.m. Central, 12:00 p.m. Eastern

Meeting Modality: Zoom

Board Members Present		Board Members Absent	
President	Barbara Price	Treasurer	Erin O'Shaughnessy
President Elect	Olga Hendrickson	R4 Director	Kiki Pantaze
Secretary	Julie Alonzo	R7 Director	Rebecca Algar
At Large Director 1	Trisha Kiefer-Reed		
At Large Director 2	Doreen Atkinson		
R1 Director	Heather Humelbaugh		
R2 Director	Robin Bond		
R3 Director	Chris Stanko		
R5 Director	Becky Sherven		
R6 Director	Kimberley Hillyer		

COMMITTEE CHAIRS OR DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

Awards Committee	Lynn Maloney
Coaches Network	Trisha Kiefer-Reed
Competitions Committee	Kris Blacklock
Ethics Committee	Dan Dahlke
Licensed Officials Committee	Christy Reich
Membership Committee	Olga Hendrickson
Rules Committee	Jeanne Bond
Elections Committee	Biddie Lowry



USAWE Members in Attendance (*based on people who provided their names in their Zoom log-in information. Some people in attendance might not be listed).

Member Name	Region	Member Name	Region
Julie Alonzo	1	Dale Blacklock	5
Emily Callihan	1	Kris Blacklock	5
Dan Dahlke	1	Sandy Klinkey	5
Veldee Hall	1	Sandy Lippert	5
Kathryn Maslanka	1	Erica Peet	5
Robert Phinney	1	Howard Peet	5
Willa Rose	1	Becky Sherven	5
		Meaghan Zeiner	5
Robin Bond	2		
Glynnna Hoekstra	2	Jeanne Bond	6
Barbara Price	2	Melissa Evelyn	6
Christy Reich	2	Andrea Hathaway-Miglorie	6
Sue Watkins	2	Stephanie Hayes	6
		Kimberly Hillyer	6
Olga Hendrickson	3	Stephanie Jennings	6
Chris Stanko	3	Biddie Lowry	6
		Lynn Maloney	6
Doreen Atkinson	4	Barb Sullivan	6
		Rose Watt	6
Trish Hyatt	Int		

There were 35 members in attendance, including Board members. This represents 6% of the current membership of USAWE.

President Price called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., Pacific Standard time.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

President Barbara Price welcomed members and encouraged members to stay current on USAWE happenings through reading the newsletters and checking in with their regional directors regularly.

She provided an overview of her three core strategic goals for the year

1. Actively promote USAWE
2. Enhance member experience and benefits
3. Support our working committees

She then asked the Board members to introduce themselves. All Board members in attendance briefly introduced themselves, after which the meeting transitioned to updates on association happenings.



FINANCIAL REPORT

President Barbara Price presented a 2021 Year-End Financial Summary, prepared by Treasurer Erin O’Shaughnessy (appended to these minutes) and noted that a full 2021 Financial Statement will be available soon for the membership.

COMPETITIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Kris Blacklock, Chair, shared the competitions committee report (appended to these minutes).

LOC REPORT

Christy Reich, Co-Chair of the LOC, shared the LOC report (appended to these minutes).

COACHES NETWORK REPORT

Trisha Kiefer-Reed, Chair, introduced the members of the Coaches Committee. In addition to herself, the committee includes Kat Waters from Vermont, Andrea Sullivan from California, and Ashley Smith from Oregon. The goal of the Coaches Network is to help connect people interested in the sport with professionals who have spent a lot of time specifically in the sport of Working Equitation. Current coaches include: Trisha Kiefer-Reed (R1), Polly Limond (R2), Sue Watkins (R2), Chris Stanko (R3), Michelle Lackey (R5), Erica Peet (R5), Emily Kemp (R5), and Stephanie Hayes (R6).

YOUTH COMMITTEE REPORT

Barbara Price, President, asked anyone who has any suggestions for youth development to contact Youth Committee chair Alex Tyson.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

Barbara Price, President, provided an update on membership (appended to these minutes) for the membership committee.

AWARDS COMMITTEE REPORT

Lynn Maloney, Awards Committee representative, provided an update from the Awards Committee (appended to these minutes).

ANSWERS TO MEMBERS’ QUESTIONS

President Barbara Price and Competitions Committee Chair Kris Blacklock answered a question about which membership type (Open, Amateur, Junior) competitors should sign up for. Youth should sign up as Juniors if they want to be eligible for free membership and for awards designated for youth. Adults who meet the USEF requirements for showing as amateurs can either sign up as Amateur or Open. Adults who do not meet the USEF requirements for showing as amateurs must sign up and compete as Open.

A member asked about where they can find the listing of Breed Award winners. President Barbara Price explained that the Awards Committee will be posting the winners once they close the window for making corrections in a few days.



A member asked what they should do if their horse is not currently listed on the Recorded Horses list but used to be. They were asked to email Membership@usawe.org to request that the committee correct the listing.

President Price thanked the members who attended the meeting, and expressed her gratitude to all of our volunteers for their outstanding work in support of the organization.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:01 a.m., Pacific Standard Time.

Minutes submitted by Julie Alonzo, USAWE Secretary