



## Unapproved Summary of Motions

January 21, 2010  
Moscow, Idaho  
ApHC Board of Directors  
Special Meeting

*These motions are in draft form (unapproved) and will be finalized, published and distributed to ApHC members in accordance with Article IV Section 9 of the Bylaws of the Appaloosa Horse Club and ApHC Rule 70.*

Board members present for all or part of the Board of Directors meeting on January 21, 2010, were President Chuck McWhirter, Vice President Larry Baker, Steve Bennett, Ray Burchett, Dennis Dean, Jason Flinn, Monty Holmes, Jim Jirkovsky, Frank Larrabee, Laura Lyon, Sharon Marshall, Sandra Matthews, Tracy Meisenbach, Diane Rushing, Connie Taylor, Bill Thiel, Lynette Thompson and Jack Zuidema. Staff members present for all or part of the meeting were CEO Steve Taylor, Treasurer Tina Rea, Registrar Shonda Nelson, Performance Department Supervisor Keri LeForce, Legal Counsel Ron Landeck and Executive Secretary Eliana Thompson.

**BOD Motion 01-01-10:** The ApHC Board of Directors moves to adopt the Double-pointed Zone Show Permit program set forth below:

### **Double-Pointed Zone Show Permit**

The Board of Directors recommends that one ApHC Territorial "Zone Permit" be issued to any zone exhibiting critical signs of downward trends and/or exhibitor participation. Each Zone Permit will be valid for one year and will need to be re-issued each year. It is also recommended that this pro-

gram be re-evaluated after a two (2) year trial period.

The purpose of the Zone Permit is to offset the downward trends that the equine industry and U.S. economy are undergoing. The key indicators in downward trends should be:

- A zone that has exhibited a significant loss in the number of ApHC-approved shows.
- Substantial loss in the number of entries throughout an entire zone.
- A zone exhibiting steady membership decline over the past 2 or 3 years.
- A zone where Regional Clubs are already cooperating to host a show.
- A zone where total entries at two or more multi-judge shows have been less than 400 entries per judge.
- The application exhibits resources to support a show of this size.
- A zone that has had shows cancelled due to an insufficient number of horses/entries to host an approved show.
- A zone with insufficient entries in classes required for ApHC approval, which results in these classes being non-pointed.
- A zone exhibiting declines in the number of registrations/transfers over the past 2 or 3 years.
- A zone where most of the horses qualifying for the World Show have done so through the Regional Club Point System.

To obtain a Zone Permit for any show that meets the above criteria, a minimum of two (2) Regional Clubs or greater than 50 percent of Regional Clubs in that zone (whichever is greater), chartered and in good standing with the ApHC must agree to co-sponsor a Double-pointed Zone Show.

A Double-pointed Zone Show will be eligible for approval of up to four (4) judges, with each judge being double pointed. The Double-pointed Zone Show must be held on a “new” date, so it cannot be held on a date previously held by a non-zone show. Existing shows do not qualify. In order to receive approval, a Double-pointed Zone Show must be a new show created with the cooperation of two (2) Regional Clubs or greater than 50 percent of Regional Clubs in that zone (whichever is greater).

The Double-pointed Zone Show must be at least 300 air miles from another ApHC-approved show, and may not be held on the same day(s) as any other show within the hosting zone. Double-pointed Zone Shows may not be held within twenty (20) days of the ApHC National or World shows.

Zone Permit approval fees will be \$50 per judge. Applications for the Zone Permit must be postmarked no later than February 15th of the year the show is to be held (with the exception of shows approved in 2010 at the inception of the program).

Approval of Zone Permits will reside with the Executive Committee and CEO, with input provided by the ApHC Show Department. Approval will be based on the best-submitted applications, which exhibit cooperation between regional clubs. Minimum class and horse requirements will remain the same as any other show. The first year to host a Zone Show will be 2010.

**Intent:** The purpose of this motion is to stimulate growth and exhibition of the Appaloosa throughout the zones that are experiencing low growth rates.

In addition, this should help the economic feasibility for regional clubs by working together and not absorbing the financial strains of being the sole host of a regional show.

Exhibitors seeking World qualification or Year-End award recognition are realizing a large economic impact from decreasing show attendance in approved zones. Members seeing increases in exhibitor numbers are encouraged to re-enter the arena.

**Made by** Steve Bennett, seconded by Sandra Matthews.

Motion postponed definitely to the March 2010 Board of Directors meeting per Motion 2-01-10.

**BOD Motion 02-01-10:** The ApHC Board of Directors moves to postpone BOD Motion 01-01-10, the Double-pointed Zone Show Permit program, definitely to the March 2010 Board of Directors meeting.

**Intent:** To allow for further review of the feasibility of program.

**Made by** Dennis Dean, seconded by Gene Carr.

**Passed.** The ApHC Board of Directors moves to postpone BOD Motion 01-01-10 to the March 2010 Board of Directors meeting.

Chuck McWhirter, President; Larry Baker, Yes; Steve Bennett, No; Ray Burchett, Absent; Dennis Dean, Yes; Jason Flinn, No; Monty Holmes, No; Jim Jirkovsky, Yes; Frank Larrabee, No; Laura Lyon, Yes; Sharon Marshall, Yes; Sandra Matthews, No; Tracy Meisenbach, No; Diane Rushing, Yes; Connie Taylor, No; Bill Thiel, Yes; Lynette Thompson, Yes; Jack Zuidema, No.

**BOD Motion 03-01-10:** The ApHC Board of Directors moves to adopt the trail program as recommended by the Executive Committee:

The committee unanimously endorsed a recommendation to classify the Apache Land, Land of Liberty and Sheltoewe trail rides as approved “Regional” rides rather than ApHC-sponsored “National” trail rides.

This change would shift the planning and decision-making ability to specific ride managers, likely resulting in lower costs for participants. The ApHC would no longer be held liable for participating riders. The ApHC would also be relieved of costs associated with planning rides.

Participants who are ApHC members would still be able to count mileage from these trail rides for horses enrolled in the Distance Program and rides of at least five (5) days would be counted toward Trail Riders Hall of Fame eligibility.

The Apache Land Ride would remain an ApHC-sponsored ride for 2010 as it falls within six (6) months of approving this recommendation.

**Made by** Lynette Thompson, seconded by Jack Zuidema.

Motion postponed definitely to the March 2010 Board of Directors meeting per motion 04-01-10.

**BOD Motion 04-01-10:** The ApHC Board of Directors moves to postpone BOD Motion 03-01-10, the proposed recommendation of Trail Ride changes, definitely to the March 2010 Board of Director’s meeting.

**Intent:** To allow further review of the contributing factors that affect this decision such as liability, cost and member input.

**Made by** Monty Holmes, seconded by Tracy Meisenbach.

**Passed.** This motion will be placed on the agenda for the March 2010 Board of Directors meeting.

Chuck McWhirter, President; Larry Baker, Absent; Steve Bennett, Absent; Ray Burchett, Yes; Dennis Dean, Yes; Jason Flinn, Yes; Monty Holmes, Yes; Jim Jirkovsky, Yes; Frank Larrabee, Yes; Laura Lyon, Yes; Sharon Marshall, Yes; Sandra Matthews, Yes; Tracy Meisenbach, Yes; Diane Rushing, Yes; Connie Taylor, Yes; Bill Thiel, Absent; Lynette Thompson, No; Jack Zuidema, Yes.