

## **Minutes**

### **USIHC Board meeting**

**April 6, 2005 - 9 PM Eastern Time**

**Members Present - Sara Conklin, Anne Elwell, Caryn Cantella, Betsy Covert, Ed Hilgaertner, Bernie Willis**

**Visitor - Barb Riva**

- 1. Constitutional Amendment mailing - The material is ready and will be sent in folded for approx \$300.**
- 2. Annual Meeting Report - Bernie has reviewed the tapes and will send both a synopsis and a more detailed report to Sara and Anne**
- 3. Regional Club Activities - How should RC activities be announced by the congress? Should they become part of the Schedule of Events section of the web site or linked to the applicable RC section?**

**Decision - Let RC chairperson, Andrea, decide.**

**Andrea relayed a report about a RC not following it By-Laws and raised the question of what our response should be. This clearly raises a serious policy issue involving the autonomy of the RC. It was agreed that we must formulate policy on this but substantial consideration of the policy ramifications must precede any decision. Tabled for further discussion and decision.**

**4. Teacher Trainer Program - Do to inadequate review so far we will discuss this over the internet until the week of April 20. Then a decision will be made on its future.**

**5. Judge Training Program - Sports committee to pursue a seminar for Oct. in Calif. with Marlise Grimm as teacher. Next we will try and interest her in a prior program at Dillsburg. If she can't do it then we will pursue it with Jen Nielsen of Denmark.**

**6. Sanctioned Show Procedures - Two issues were discussed, first the need for sanctioning to be based upon meeting the criteria of a qualified judge and adequate track. These being met the organizers can have a sanctioned show without the congress providing the judge or their expenses. Anne made a suggestion that the judge travel costs be reimbursed once certain criteria had been met such as number of horses and other reports. Further it was suggested that a formula be developed for handling reimbursement to the congress in situations where the organizers make a profit. No conclusions were made. The procedure will be further developed by the Sport Competition Committee.**

**The meeting was adjourned at 11 PM Eastern Time**

**Respectfully Submitted, Bernie Willis, Recording Secretary**