



## TERA Board of Directors

### Meeting Minutes March

DATE/TIME: March 18, 2025, 1934-2024

Guest(s): None

Recorder: Kathy Hezeau

Attendance:

Matt Riley President	<b>P</b>	Alan Padgett Vice President	<b>P</b>	Jessica Reily Treasurer & membership	<b>P</b>	Kathy Hezeau Secretary	<b>P</b>	Todd Hezeau Education & Webmaster	<b>P</b>	Kerry Lowery Awards	<b>P</b>	Jan Hudson Fundraising & Donations	<b>P</b>
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TOPIC	DISCUSSION/CONCLUSION	ACTION
<b>Call to Order</b>	Matt Riley called the meeting to order at 19:34 PM	
<b>Review of minutes</b>	Meeting minutes 1/27/25 reviewed and voted on as presented. Alan & Todd motion for approval and unanimously accepted. <b>* Motion approved 5 yes. Motion carried forward.</b>	<b>Action: No further Action Required.</b>
<b>Donation</b>	Donation from John Hemmingsguard for \$7500 possibly twice a year Money to be used to promote the welfare of horses. Money could be used for Vet expenses in future TERA rides. Promotion of donor's Logo could be displayed at all rides as banners, on Facebook, Awards and T-shirts.	<b>Action:</b> Matt & Alan Continue to move forward with dialog to obtain donations for TERA.
<b>Bylaws Discussion</b> Alan Padgett	Discussion of Bylaws commenced. Alan added a purpose statement which was discussed by BOT and reviewed for purpose, content and intent. Membership currently 122 and proposed required quorum is 20%. Alan has composed a mini newsletter to all active discusses the TERA Bylaws. The newsletter also has a link to the TERA website for reviewing upcoming events and rides, with a thank you to all ride managers. Anyone with questions about the new TERA Bylaws up for approval, is encouraged to contact Alan or Matt prior to April 11 <sup>th</sup> vote. <b>* Motion for approval of TERA purpose and Bylaws. Motion approved 7 yes.</b>	<b>Action:</b> Unanimous Approval of TERA Bylaws and Purpose Statement and membership quorum as presented. To be voted for approval by TERA members April 11 <sup>th</sup> at Racing Stripes Ride. <b>Action:</b> Alan emailing all active TERA members a PDF of the approved Bylaws for membership review.
<b>New Ride Clinic</b> Todd Hezeau	Review of Supplies needed and who is in possession of them. Tent-Tommy Robochet Matt & Jessica Reily to assist Hope with Trail marking. Glo sticks, ribbons, booklets are here and ready. Hammer sponsoring and sending bags and 50% coupons.	<b>Action:</b> Matt to bring tent to Todd. Matt & Jessica to assist with trail clearing.



	<p>John will be attending and reviewing saddle fit tips and guidance. Performax has donated heart monitors to be given away as prizes.</p> <p>Melinda is volunteering to discuss and educate new riders on process and protocols for timers during ride holds.</p> <p>Manda to educate and assist with riding biomechanics.</p> <p>Jan has coupons for horse tack and 3 piece sets from stackable for 10% off.</p> <p>Games guess your horse's Heart rate, how many horses are in the jar.</p>	
<p><b>Shanghai Ride</b> Jan Hudson</p>	<p>Has awards for top 10 covered. Excellent job Jan!!</p> <p>Mash has been donated.</p> <p>Cavalier coupons for \$30</p>	<p><b>Action:</b> Jan keep up the awesome work.</p>
<p><b>End of year awards</b> Kerry Lowery</p>	<p>Nominations and suggestions for End of Year awards discussed.</p> <p>Several phenomenal milestones shared and discussed.</p> <p>Ride Manager of the Year: Kerry Lowery</p> <p>Sue Jaffey-16000 milestone</p> <p>Tommy Robochet -4000 milestone, decade team</p> <p>Ross Carey-</p> <p>Teresa first 50</p> <p>Kathleen Bezares-first 50</p> <p>EA- first 75</p> <p>Horse and Rider of the Year-Monica</p> <p>Sportsmanship Award-Jessica Riley</p> <p>Rookie Rider of the Year-Kathyleen Bezares</p> <p>Junior of the year-Layla Bowers</p> <p>Blast from the Past- Riders with longest riding streak with TERA-Jim Mathis, Darilyn Butler, Russel Broussard.</p> <p>Patches for hay bag awards looking great.</p> <p>Found Texas Awards on sale on Amazon. Cutting boards, metal Texas wall hanging items.</p> <p>\$30 gift awards left over from end of year awards, will be shared with clinic participants.</p>	
<p><b>TERA Benefit Ride Trace Trails</b> Matt Riley</p>	<p>Robin Burns, Bryne Smith and Hannah Barber have stepped forward to work with Steven and coordinate a ride in November. They are working on submitting a budget and Kerry offered to share previous budgets from her rides there and assist them with completion and submission.</p> <p>Kerry also offered to assist with prizes.</p> <p>Kerry recommended trail work be delayed until after Sept (hurricane season). Heavy rains are not a deterrent on these trails as they are sandy and drain well.</p> <p>Debra Lemons will assist with Top 10 and BC prizes (coasters)</p> <p>They are working to secure the dates of Nov 22nd and 23rd. This is a conflict with the season finale in Oklahoma.</p> <p>Kerry suggested 1<sup>st</sup> weekend in Dec has favorable weather and would serve as 1<sup>st</sup> ride of the season for 2026.</p>	<p><b>Action:</b> Kerry to share previous budget from Trace trail rides with Robin, Bryne and Hannah and assist with budget submission.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> BOT to hold off on further activity for trace Trails ride until budget submitted and approved by BOT.</p>



	<p>Alan proposed vote to hold off until the budget has been presented.</p> <p><b>* Motion brought forth and approved unanimously to hold off further work until budget presented and reviewed.</b></p>	
<p><b>New Ride Venues for TERA</b> Matt Riley</p>	<p>Tommy Robochet reached out to Matt about Perry Hanes for consideration. Kerry stated you could hold a ride there. Kerry suggested Pitate Forest in Louisiana. There is a ranch in the middle of the forest with showers, concession gift shop, stalls and turnout paddocks. Fee for \$40 night. Forest Service can be incredibly challenging to work with. The biggest challenge is the rangers and if they are equine enthusiasts. This is an opportunity for the BOT to work with to promote and educate the community at large to promote our sport.</p>	<p><b>Action:</b> BOT to investigate Perry Hanes and Pitate Forest for ride event venue options.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> BOT meet, educate, explain, and promote endurance riding to forest services rangers in possible riding event venues.</p>
<p><b>Future Events</b> Kathy Hezeau</p>	<p>Kathy asked about cosponsoring a joint rider endurance convention with OCER. Matt and Alan will approach OCER and investigate the possibility of partnering with them and providing endurance conventions in the future.</p>	<p><b>Action:</b> Matt and Alan to meet with OCER president and VP to discuss cosponsored conventions.</p>
<p><b>TERA membership Business Meeting</b> Alan Padgett</p>	<p>The TERA membership business meeting has been confirmed with Khristin Seymore-Norsworthy for the evening of April 11<sup>th</sup>. Time TBD based upon ride events. Bylaws will be voted on for approval and End of year awards will be presented.</p>	
<p><b>Adjourn</b></p>	<p>Meeting adjourned 2024. Next meeting TBD.</p>	