

Sunshine Region Pony Clubs
2010 Annual Meeting
September 26, 2010
Easton-Newberry Sports Complex in Newberry, FL

- I. Call to Order and Welcome
 - Regional Supervisor Bama Rogers welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 8:52 am.
- II. Roll Call (Secretary)
 - Twenty-one of twenty-six regional council members were present. A quorum was present for conducting business.
- III. Approval of Minutes from the 2010 Spring Meeting
 - The minutes of the May 22, 2010, meeting were distributed with the 2010 Annual Meeting announcement.
 - After distribution of the minutes an amendment was requested. Section XII C will now read “On behalf of Sea Fox Pony Club, Debbie Jaquith offered to match the sponsorship amount given by the Region.”
 - Motion by Curtis Zesbaugh to approve the minutes as amended
 - Seconded by Jennie Wiedrick
 - Motion Passed (21 Aye – 0 No)
- IV. State of the Region Report
 - A. Regional Supervisor – Bama Rogers
 - Bama deferred to those who organized different Regional activities.
 - B. Vice Regional Supervisor Rallies – Alex Weiss
 - Rallies did well despite the economy
 - Qualifying Dressage Rally – 79 participants; organized by Carla Franklin
 - Qualifying Tetrathlon Rally – 25 participants; organized by Sue Hatch
 - Boys particularly like Tet rally and the Dads show up, too
 - Qualifying Quiz Rally – 54 participants; organized by Alex Weiss
 - Qualifying Eventing Rally – 4 participants; held within a sanctioned event; organized by Bama Rogers
 - Non-qualifying Eventing Rally – 60 participants; organized by Denise Thaller
 - Included both 3-phase and 2-phase divisions
 - Qualifying Show Jumping Rally – 51 participants; organized by Curtis Zesbaugh
 - Qualifying Polocrosse Rally – 8 participants; held within an American Polocrosse sanctioned tournament; organized by Kim Williams
 - Non-qualifying “Fun” Games Rally – 23 participants; organized by Lilly Martin
 - Alex thanked all of the organizers and secretaries
 - C. Vice Regional Supervisor National Ratings – Kris Blankenship
 - (Kris was unable to attend the meeting; her report was presented by the secretary)
 - The second scheduled Upper Level Rating Prep was held in July

- It was slated to be an HB focused prep but with only 2 HBs registered the focus returned to the riding ratings
- Clinician and NE Mo Martell used an alternative format which provided more individualized instruction
- Financially, the clinic did not break even but came within \$400, which is positive for upper level clinics
- Only one of our scheduled ratings filled this year
 - A C3 and B Traditional Rating will be held at the Oaks Equestrian Center in Lake City.
 - The Sunshine Region has three candidates testing; the remaining candidates are from out of region.
 - There is still an opportunity to be a barn friendly for this testing. Contact Kris if you are interested.

D. Regional Instruction Coordinator – Bunny Hendricks

- The biggest agenda item during the RIC Meetings in January was the new Alternative Ratings Progression for the club level. There is an FAQ section on the USPC website and the updated rating forms are available.
- In February the Region created a Facebook site called “Sunshine Region C1 & Up Group” for the purpose of providing another outlet for information.
- March 6-7, 2010, was the Region’s “Standards and Ratings” offering with Claire Harmon, Chair of the National Testing Committee, which covered not only ring work at the D1-C2 levels, but Cross-Country as well. The new Alternative Ratings Progression was previewed and the second day included a training session in teaching and testing. Thank you to Fox Hollow Pony Club for hosting this event.
- A Regional Resource Roster was created and posted on the web site to assist the local clubs in need of suggestions for instructors and raters for their clubs.
- During Show Jumping Rally we held the second “ReSell-It Days”, the proceeds of which go to defray the cost of the annual Regional Instruction Clinic
- The proposed “C Day” was cancelled due to insufficient numbers of HB and up members and/or volunteers to help. If there is interest and enough volunteers, we may try again.
- The Regional Visiting Instructor Program was cancelled due to it being in conflict with USPC Policy 720 on compensation.
- Additional information lists were added to the Sunshine Region web site
 - Current Upper Level Members (HB – HA)
 - Graduate A, HA, B, and H Members
 - USPC Life Members
 - USPC National Examiners and the levels they test. (There are currently 5 National Examiners in the Sunshine Region.)
- In the planning stages for the 2011 Standards and Ratings Clinic, “D1-C3 Ratings: The Unmounted Truth!” to highlight the non-riding portions of the Standards of Proficiency, including Turn Out Inspections, Bandaging, and Longeing, as well as Record Books and Nutrition.
- The Regional website offers the opportunity to open your club level ratings to other clubs in the Region. You can submit your testing dates and other information if you are willing to “share the load” with other clubs and members in the region. If you have space

available and would like to reach out and share, just add a comment with details of your local ratings under the RatingShare post!

- Please feel free to contact Bunny if you have any questions, concerns, or problems

E. HMO – Jill Walker

- (Jill was unable to attend the meeting; her report was presented by the secretary)
- Jill announced that she will be resigning the HMO position at the end of the 2011 term.
- In order to effect a smooth transition, Jill would like to have potential HMO candidates shadow her over the next year. Anyone who is interested in the position should contact Bama and Jill.

F. Championships and WEG Participants

- The Sunshine Region had 21 members commit to attend Championships and was represented by 18 of those members at the 2010 USPC Championships in Lexington, VA. Disciplines represented were Show Jumping, Quiz, Polocrosse, Tetrathlon, and Eventing.
- The Sunshine Region also has 5 members participating in WEG this year
 - Noel Brown is one of the Quadrille Dressage Riders
 - Savannah Walters has her own informational booth
 - Glenn Bigsby, Samantha Stewart, and Marlee Bigsby are participating in a Polocrosse Exhibition

G. Webmaster

- Kerri Goldsmith is stepping down as Webmaster
- Kathleen Freeman of Laurel Oaks Pony Club has agreed to take on this responsibility

H. Rally Equipment and Awards – Debbie Jaquith

- The most challenging aspect of the position is tracking down missing equipment – especially pinneys.
- Debbie made 9 pinneys to replace ones that were missing and to save the Region money.
- Awards are going great.

V. Treasurer's Report (Tari Van Winkle)

- Tari distributed a Year-to-Date Profit and Loss report for review
- The Sunshine Region has received Van Guard distributions for 2009 and 2010
 - 2009 - \$1438.30
 - 2010 - \$891.00
- Revenue from membership dues decreased to \$4,000.00
 - Last year we had 300 members; this year we have 210
- Bay Leaf Pony Club has donated standards which are being sold to raise funds for the Region
- The Region is selling medical armbands since they need to be worn at every function
- Members of the Regional Council requested a summary for easier review
- Rally results – from a financial perspective
 - Quiz – made \$800.00
 - Show Jumping – made \$1355.00
 - Non-Qualifying Eventing Rally – made \$1144.00
 - Qualifying Eventing Rally – lost \$133.00
 - Polocrosse – made \$536.00
 - Games – made \$371.00

- Tetrathlon – no data as the 2010 rally has not been held
- Major expenses
 - National meeting attendance for the RS and RIC
 - We spent almost \$5,000.00 on education
 - The Region spent \$2600.00 on Championships
 - ❖ A fair amount of this money went to coaching fees
 - ❖ The remainder was spent on entry fees and shirts
 - ❖ We must look at this expense very carefully for next year
 - ❖ Championships is a significant financial commitment
- Bottom line – we are \$1500.00 in the hole
- Propose raising the entry fee for qualifying divisions at rallies
- Rally organizers should pad the budget a little to make sure the rallies make money
- Our current reserves are approximately \$12,000.00
- Junior Council has an individualized account
- When sending Regional dues please provide the name of the club and the name(s) of the member(s)
- When sending rally checks please send one set per team and separate checks for scramblers
- Melissa Peters oversees the Van Guard account
 - We can only use the interest from the account – this is a stipulation from the donor

VI. Old Business

A. Policies

- Proposed policy updates were distributed to the Regional Council 30 days prior to the Annual Regional Council Meeting (a copy is attached)
 - Article III. Finance: amend section 1(a) to read that Regional Dues is \$35.00 per member
 - Motion by Curtis Zesbaugh to disapprove the proposed change and not raise Regional Dues
 - Seconded by Lilly Martin
 - Motion passed (11 Aye – 7 No – 2 Abstain)
 - Article III. Finance: insert a new section 1 to read “Thirty days prior to the Annual Meeting the treasurer will send out the budget for each regular activity based on the amount spent the previous year.”
 - Motion by Pat Watkins to approve the proposed change
 - Seconded by Jane Boone
 - Motion passed (21 Aye – 0 No)
 - Article III. Finance: insert a new section 3(d) to read “All requests for reimbursement must be postmarked within 30 days of the last day of the activity. Late requests will not be paid. Reimbursements must be sent out within 30 days of approved and verified expense”
 - Motion by Curtis Zesbaugh to approve the proposed change
 - Seconded by Jane Boone
 - Motion passed (21 Aye – 0 No)

- Article III. Finance: delete the last paragraph of Section 5 since we do not have a Regional Youth Scholarship Fund
 - Motion by Tari Van Winkle to approve the proposed change
 - Seconded by Bunny Hendricks
 - Motion passed (21 Aye – 0 No)
- Article III. Finance: insert a new Section 6 to read “The interest received annually from the Sunshine Region Vanguard Account will be used to cover the losses of Rallies and Clinics”
 - Motion by Tari Van Winkle to disapprove the proposed change
 - Seconded by Pat Watkins
 - Motion passed (21 Aye – 0 No)
- Article VI. Rallies: merge Section 8, which reads “The stall deposits for the entire team will be forfeited if any member of the team fails to return his or her pinney” with Section 6a
 - Motion by Bunny Hendricks to approve the proposed change
 - Seconded by Elizabeth Barranco
 - Motion passed (21 Aye – 0 No)
- Article VII. Ratings: change VRS of Ratings to VRS of National Ratings everywhere it appears in the Sunshine Region Policies
 - Motion by Kim Williams to approve the proposed change
 - Seconded by Alex Weiss
 - Motion passed (21 Aye – 0 No)

B. Election of Officers

- The members of the Regional Nominating Committee (Dawn McClane, Kim Williams, and Debbie Jaquith) chaired this portion of the meeting.
- The Nominating Committee attempted to contact all DCs and Club Officers for input
- The Nominating Committee acknowledged the current Sunshine Region officers who are stepping down and presented their proposed slate of officers
 - Regional Supervisor: Bama Rogers
 - Vice Regional Supervisor Rallies: Alex Weiss
 - Vice Regional Supervisor National Ratings: Dawn McClane
 - Secretary: Sharon Keeran
 - Treasurer: Tari Van Winkle
 - Regional Instruction Coordinator: Bunny Hendricks
- The floor was opened to nominations. None forthcoming, nominations were closed.
- Ballots were distributed for vote (a copy is attached)
- The ballots were collected and tallied. The proposed slate of officers was approved by majority vote

C. Regional Appointments

- Regional Supervisor Bama Rogers made the following Regional Appointments
 - Junior Council Advisor: Pam Crane
 - Rally Equipment / Awards Coordinator: Debbie Jaquith
 - Horse Management Organizer: Jill Walker
 - Championships Coordinator: Leslie Guzman
 - Webmaster: Kathleen Freeman
 - Regional Librarian: Curtis Zesbaugh

- Vanguard Account Custodian: Melissa Peters
- Newsletter Editor: Curtis Zesbaugh

D. Other Old Business and General Information

- Overall there have been positive comments about the new alternative rating progression
- New inflatable vests are becoming available for cross country
 - These vests are not required
 - Proper fit is crucial
 - There are two styles: either inflate in or inflate out
 - They are worn over the regular cross country vest
 - They act like air bags for the equestrian
 - The rider attaches a bungy cord to a D-Ring so it inflates when the rider comes off
 - There may be a problem with riders wearing pinneys over these vests
- The upcoming year (2011) is a Festival Year. As this is the 10th Festival and the first Festival after the Kentucky Horse Park makeover, it will be a big event
 - Dates: July 16 – 26
 - Championships participation is not required in order to participate in Festival
- The need for background checks is filtering down through the ranks
 - Individuals must use a USPC facility and there is a \$26.00 fee
 - The main objective is to look for sex offenders
 - Having background checks completed will help protect insurance rates.
- Upper Level Preps
 - Do we reach out to other Regions?
 - Dawn is open to the idea
- National Testings
 - There is a decline in the numbers for National Testings
 - The trend is to start combining levels for National Testings
- Recommendation of a great magazine
 - The Horse: Your Guide to Equine Health Care
 - Interested parties can subscribe at www.thehorse.com

VII. Florida Carriage Horse Museum and Resort Presentation

- At the last minute, the representative from the Florida Carriage Horse Museum and Resort was unable to attend the meeting
- Bama provided the following overview
 - Stalls are alongside the villas; rental includes paddock
 - Great website (www.fcmr.com)
 - Carriage rides
 - Riding trails
 - 400+ acres / show rings
 - Teach driving
 - Applying to become a USPC Riding Center
 - Working on adding cross country jumps
 - Two shaded dressage rings
 - Located in Weirsdale, Florida

VIII. Junior Council Presentation

- Junior Council includes all members rated C1 or higher and they hold meetings during the Regional Council Meetings
- The Junior Council members in attendance presented the following ideas
 - Hold D-Day the day before Quiz Rally; this was quite successful last year and they would like to do it again
 - The Junior Council attempts to hold a D Camp each year; they decided this year to try it as a one day mock rally; possibly holding three separate events – one in each area; potential date of February 19 and 20; parental participation is required
 - The Junior Council really enjoys C Camp for C1s and Up; they are looking at the first or second weekend of July
 - They would like to see periodic one day clinics which would focus on one or two topics
 - They are looking for better ways to reach out to all the C1 and up members
- What is the mission statement of Junior Council?
 - Opportunities for leadership roles
 - Giving back to lower levels
 - Communication vehicle

IX. Current Regional Working Calendar

- The following list of dates was presented during the Annual Meeting. Some of the dates are confirmed and others are tentative.
 - October 29-31, 2010 – Dressage Rally at Rocking Horse
 - October 15-17, 2010 – Traditional C3/B Rating at The Oaks
 - November 20-21, 2010 – Tetrathlon Rally at Canterbury
 - December 26, 2011 – South Creek Fox Hunt
 - January 22 & 23, 2011 – D Day and Quiz Rally at Canterbury
 - January/February – Equine Education Day
 - February 26 & 27, 2011 – Horse Management Seminar / Ratings and Standards Clinic
 - March 12 & 13, 2011 – Polocrosse Rally (within an APA Tournament)
 - March 18-20, 2011 – Qualifying and Non-Qualifying Eventing Rally at Rocking Horse
 - April 8-10, 2011 – Show Jumping Rally at Canterbury
 - May 14-15, 2011 – D Rally at Fannin Hill Farm
 - June 17-19, 2011 – Games Rally
 - June 24-26, 2011 – Champ Camp
 - July 18-22, 2011 – Championships in Lexington, KY
 - July 24-26, 2011 – Festival in Lexington, KY
 - October 21-23, 2011 – Dressage Rally at Clarcona

X. New Business

A. Regional Subsidy to Upper Level Ratings

- We could cover the cost of the first attempt at each National Rating
- Where would the money come from?
- Some clubs pay but some clubs can't afford to help financially
- What about kids who are not prepared?

- What about covering some travel cost for ratings that are not held within the Region?
 - Let Junior Council earn the money and use it for ratings
 - We would need to write out the language and run it through the National Office
 - During prep clinics do an additional fund raiser
 - Members can seek sponsorship
 - Motion by Tari Van Winkle: Do not provide any Regional Subsidy to upper level ratings at this time; revisit the issue when we are financially stable
 - Seconded by Allison Thompson
 - Motion passed (20 Aye – 1 No)
- B. Combining upper level prep with C Camp
- This is really up to the Junior Council
 - They generally like the idea
- C. Set a budget for clinician fees and stick to it
- National Examiners are asked to stay at \$400.00 per day
 - This rate may go up after Festival
- D. Protocol or procedure for hiring Championships coaches (proposed application attached)
- Coaching requirements are highly dependent on participants
 - There should be basic parameters
 - Theoretically there should be a coach for each discipline
 - What about the proposed application
 - It would be used for getting more information
 - Like applying for a job
 - Let the Championships coordinator have influence
 - Let qualifiers have heavy input
 - Motion by Jane Goddard to accept the form with the addition of “What would you charge?” to use as a baseline
 - Seconded by Sue Hatch
 - Motion passed (21 Aye – 0 No)
 - Motion by Carla Franklin to establish June 1 as the deadline for submitting an application
 - Seconded by Alex Weiss
 - Motion passed (21 Aye – 0 No)
- E. National Youth Congress Applications
- Encourage your members to apply
 - Youth Congress Meeting takes place January 26-30, 2011
 - The cut off age is 21
 - The RS can get exceptions for some requirements
 - The RS must send the applications by November 1, 2011
- F. Sunshine Region Pony Clubs Yahoo Group
- This is a parents/adult resource – not for the kids
- G. How to avoid sending mounts to Championships who are not physically fit
- Champ camp should be held earlier
 - The Region cannot require attendance at Champ Camp
 - If the DC questions the fitness of the mount, require the competitor to get a vet certificate
 - Use the RS for back up

- Get more information out to parents and members during rallies
- Use an inspection panel
- Require the horse to pass a committee evaluation in order to attend Championships
- The RS has to sign authorization for each Championships participant
 - The DC must notify the RS if there is any question

H. Suggestion from Regional Council Member Jane Goddard

- Hold a DC Day for training to help DCs understand their responsibilities better

I. Dressage Rally Update

- Reminders for musical freestyle competitors
 - Bring two CDs with your music
 - Drop your CDs off at the secretary's office
 - Advise the kids to check their CDs start to finish
 - Costumes are okay but they must be safe
- Remember that Rocking Horse has no concession stand
- It will be a fun rally
 - Bill and Susan Woods and Joanne Rasmussen will be the judges
- Saturday evening includes Halloween festivities
- The Silent Auction is being organized by Horsemasters
 - Each club must donate an item to the auction
- ReSell It Shop
 - Please let Bunny know what you are bringing
 - The Shop will be cancelled if there is not enough participation

X. Adjournment

A. Regional Supervisor Bama Rogers adjourned the meeting at 3:17 PM

Respectfully submitted,



Eileen Brown
Sunshine Region Secretary

Sunshine Region Pony Clubs Notice of 2010 Annual Meeting

Date: September 26, 2010

Location: Easton-Newberry Sports Complex
24880 NW 16th Avenue
Newberry, FL

Time: 7:30 – 8:30 am – Complimentary Continental Breakfast and Registration
8:45 am – Meeting begins

Who should attend: All Regional Officers
Anyone who currently has a Regional Appointment
At least one representative from each club

REMINDER: Each club must send a representative. In most cases, the representative should be the District Commissioner. Where a new DC has been elected, it is helpful for both the outgoing and the incoming DCs to attend. It is crucial for new DCs to attend. If neither the DC nor a Jt-DC can attend, the DC may designate a voting delegate from the club. A notice of such designation must be in writing, signed by the DC, and sent to the RS. Other club officers and sponsors are welcome.

Why you should attend: To represent your club at the regional level
To vote on the proposed policy changes
To participate in the election of regional officers for 2011
To have a say in how the region will operate next year

RSVP to Eileen Brown at [EiKatBro@tampabay.rr.com](mailto: EiKatBro@tampabay.rr.com) by September 18, 2010, with the names of your club representative and any other sponsors planning to attend, along with the total number of lunches your club plans to purchase.

What you should bring with you:

- If you have held your club elections, a typewritten list of your club's officers for 2011. Please include name, address, phone number(s), and e-mail address. You will present this information to the Secretary.
- A copy of the proposed policy updates (attached).
- \$10.00 per person for lunch (pay at the door).
- A copy of the 2010 Spring Meeting Minutes (attached).

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Agenda for the 2010 Annual Meeting

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Welcome
- IV. Approval of the minutes from the 2010 Spring Meeting
- V. State of the Region Report
 - A. RS – Bama Rogers
 - B. VRS Rallies – Alex Weiss
 - C. VRS National Ratings – Kris Blankenship
 - D. RIC – Bunny Hendricks
 - E. HMO – Jill Walker
 - F. Webmaster – Kerri Goldsmith
 - G. Junior Council – Sharon Lloyd
 - H. Rally Equipment and Awards – Debbie Jaquith
- VI. Treasurer’s Report
- VII. Old Business
 - A. Policies
 - B. Election of Officers
 - C. Regional Appointments
 - D. Any other old business
- VIII. Presentation by Jill Peters of the Florida Carriage Horse Museum and Resort
- IX. New Business
 - A. Regional Subsidy to Upper Level Ratings
 - B. Combining upper level prep with C Camp
 - C. Set a budget for clinician fees and stick to it
 - D. Protocol or procedure for hiring Championships Coaches (proposed application attached)
 - E. Propose holding the HM Seminar and Standards & Ratings Seminar in conjunction with each other
 - F. National Youth Congress Applications
 - G. Sunshine Region Pony Clubs Yahoo Group
 - H. How to avoid sending mounts to Championships who are not physical fit
 - I. Hold a D Camp which is also a prep clinic and includes a D Rally
- X. Adjournment

Sunshine Region Pony Clubs
Fall 2010 Proposed Policy Changes

Please note: All proposed changes are based on the 2010 Edition of the Regional Policies. You can find a copy on the Regional Website. Wherever necessary and appropriate, section numbers will be adjusted.

Article I. Purpose, Amendment, Waivers

No changes proposed at this time.

Article II. Regional Organization

No changes proposed at this time.

Article III. Finance

Amend Section 1(a) to read that Regional Dues is \$35.00 per member

Insert a new Section 1 to read: “During the Annual Regional Council Meeting, the Treasurer will present a budget for each regular activity based on the amount spent the previous year.”

Insert a new Section between the current Sections 1 & 2 to be named “Compensation” and which will read as follows: “In recognition of USPC policy number 720 *Compensation* and the premises that the Sunshine Region is a part of USPC, which is a nonprofit organization made up of volunteers, and in order to avoid any appearance of impropriety or conflict of interest on the part of its regional and/or club officers and leadership, all regional officers and appointed regional leadership positions (RS, VRS, Secretary, Treasurer, RIC, HMO, etc.) and all club officers are expected to volunteer their time and expertise and may not receive any compensation for any services provided to the Region, except for the actual expenses incurred and directly related to their volunteer activities, which have been pre-approved by the RS or his/her designee.

Insert a new Section 3(d) to read: “All requests for reimbursement must be postmarked within 30 days of the last day of the activity. Late requests will not be paid.

Delete the last paragraph of Section 5 (We don’t have a Regional Youth Scholarship Fund)

Insert a new Section 6 to read: “The interest received annually from the Sunshine Region Vanguard Account will be used to cover the losses of Rallies and Clinics.”

Article IV. Education

No changes proposed at this time.

Article V. Horse Management

No changes proposed at this time.

Article VI. Rallies

Insert a new Section 8(a) to read: “A Pinney Pincher is required at all Rallies to keep track of all the pinneys used and returned.

Existing Section 8 become 8(b) and reads: “The stall deposits for the entire team will be forfeited if any member of the team fails to return his or her pinney.”

Article VII. Ratings

Section 4(a) – delete VRS Ratings (assists with upper level ratings, not club ratings)

Section 6 – Change VRS Ratings to VRS National Ratings

Article VIII. Championships

No changes proposed at this time.

Article IX. Member Clubs

No changes proposed at this time.

Article X. Pony Club Members

No changes proposed at this time.

Sunshine Region Application for Coaching USPC Championships

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home phone _____ Cell phone _____

Email _____

What USPC Championship discipline/s are you applying to coach? _____

Previous Pony Club Coaching or Teaching Experience, include riders' levels and dates _____

Other Coaching and Teaching Experience and levels taught/coached _____

What Equestrian Associations do you hold Instructor Certification with and what levels? _____

What Equestrian Associations have you completed educational activities or workshops with and what were they? _____

What levels were applicable? _____ When were they done? _____

Are you available to teach at Champs Camp? _____

Are you a graduate Pony Clubber? _____ Highest rating? _____ Year graduated? _____

What club and region? _____

Are you a USPC Corporate or Life Member? _____ If so, which? _____

Do you hold valid First Aid or CPR Certification? _____ Which certifying body? _____

Have you volunteered for Pony Club activities in the past? Where? How frequently? In what capacity? _____

Have you been to USPC Champs before? _____ When? _____ In what capacity? _____

OFFICIAL BALLOT

1. You may vote only once for each category.
2. Insert an X in the square before the candidate of your choice.
3. If you wish to vote for someone not listed on the ballot, write in the name of a candidate on the space provided.

Regional Supervisor

- Bama Rogers

Vice Regional Supervisor - Rallies

- Alex Weiss

Vice Regional Supervisor – National Ratings

- Dawn McLane

Treasurer

- Tari Vanwinkle

Secretary

- Sharon Keeran

Regional Instruction Coordinator

- Bunny Hendricks

Section 3. Election of Regional Executive Committee

The Nominating Committee shall present a slate of candidates, which will be presented as part of the agenda for the fall meeting of the Regional Council. The offices to be filled are Regional Supervisor, Vice Regional Supervisors of designated areas, Secretary, Treasurer, and Regional Instruction Coordinator (RIC). Officers will be elected with a secret ballot by the Regional Council at the fall meeting. (November 1992, November 1993, October 1994, October 1998, November 2003, May 2010)

Section 2. Vice Regional Supervisor for National Ratings

(a) The Vice Regional Supervisor for National Ratings shall organize at least one Regional preparatory clinic each year.

(b) The Vice Regional Supervisor for National Ratings shall be responsible for contacting the National Testing Coordinator at the USPC National Office for the purpose of requesting dates and levels of National Testings needed by the Region. The VRS for National Ratings is responsible for meeting all National deadlines and requirements.

(c) The VRS for National Ratings will organize and facilitate the National Testings that are hosted by the Region, undertaking or delegating all of the responsibilities required for them.

B. Regional Secretary

The Regional Secretary is nominated by the Regional Nominating Committee and elected yearly by the Regional Council for a term specified in the regional policies. The individual may not be RS or VRS, or a family member of either. The duties of the Regional Secretary are as follows:

- Attend all regional meetings.
- Take minutes and distribute them. Minutes are sent to all clubs, regional officers and leaders, others designated by the RS or Regional Council.
- Send minutes of the Annual Meeting and those of any other regional meetings at which a change of RS, Vice RS, Secretary, or Treasurer takes place to the Director of Regional Administration and Member Services in the USPC office.
- Notify VPRA of any such changes.
- Maintain a file of minutes and deliver it promptly to his or her successor.
- Maintain records of the region including, but not limited to, policies and minutes of Regional Council meetings.
- Maintain the regional membership list, making available membership lists and mailing labels when requested for any regional function.
- Send notification to the Regional Council of regular and annual Regional Council meetings. For regular meetings, such notices shall be e-mailed at least 15 days prior to the meeting. Notice of the Regional Annual Meeting must be e-mailed at least 30 days before such meeting.
- The Regional Secretary may call a meeting of the Regional Council.
- It is strongly recommended by the Board of Governors that the Regional Secretary be a Corporate Member of USPC.

Section 1. Regional Instruction Coordinator.

(a) The Region Instruction Coordinator (RIC) is elected annually by the Regional Council.

(b) The duties of the RIC shall be to:

(1) Serve as the liaison to the USPC Instruction Council and the Region in disseminating policies and programs to the local clubs.

(2) Attend RIC seminars

(3) Work with the Regional Supervisor to identify club instructional needs.

(4) Assist DCs in recognizing and implementing appropriate, effective mounted and unmounted instructional programs.

(5) Offer suggestions for enrichment of club and Regional instruction programs as well as disseminate information regarding effective instruction programs.

(6) Advise clubs and Region on preparatory clinics, ratings, and rally preparation, and maintain the appropriate records and resource lists.

(7) Coordinate seminars such as Instructors' Clinics and Ratings and Standards Clinics

(8) The RIC will attend the National RIC Seminar/Meeting on behalf of the Region. The Region will reimburse the RIC any expenses incurred in attending the National RIC Seminar/Meeting that are not reimbursed by USPC. If the RIC cannot attend the National RIC Seminar/Meeting another representative will be sent.

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Regional Council Attendance List

Voting Members

Regional Supervisor – Present
Vice RS Rallies – Present
Vice RS National Ratings – Absent
Secretary – Present
Treasurer – Present
Regional Instruction Coordinator – Present
Alligator Creek Pony Club Representative – Present
Bay Leaf Pony Club Representative – Present
Cypress Springs Pony Club Representative – Present
Fox Hollow Pony Club Representative – Present
High Spirits Pony Club Representative – Present
Horseketeers Pony Club Representative – Present
Laurel Oaks Pony Club Representative – Present
Live Oak Hounds Pony Club Representative – Present
Ocala Pony Club Representative – Absent
Ochlockonee River Pony Club Representative – Present
St. Croix Pony Club Representative – Absent
St. John's River Pony Club Representative – Present
Sea Fox Pony Club Representative – Present
South Creek Pony Club Representative – Present
Space Coast Pony Express Pony Club Representative – Absent
Suncoast Pony Club Representative – Present
Suwannee Valley Pony Club Representative – Absent
Tusawilla Pony Club Representative – Present
Wekiva Basin Pony Club Representative – Present
Wind Surf Pony Club Representative – Present

Non-Voting Members

Horse Management Organizer – Absent
The Oaks Equestrian Center Pony Club Riding Center Representative – Present