

**Western Provincial Coaching Committee Meeting  
February 16, 2008  
Sport Nova Scotia  
Halifax, N.S.**

The meeting was called to order at 4:00pm by Carol Shay, Chairperson. Committee members attending: Carol Shay, Curtis Tobin, Adrienne Smith, Lisa Tulk and Heather Myrer. Regrets from Crystal Taylor and Norma Graham.

Additions to the Agenda:

1. Curtis requested that the election of the Provincial Coordinator position be discussed. Will be brought up under the Nominating Committee.

MOTION by Curtis, seconded by Adrienne to accept the minutes of the December 8, 2007 meeting. Carried.

Business Arising from Minutes

1. Horse & Pony Ad – Heather will send the information regarding this ad out to the coaches again. She will advise the coaches that anyone wishing to be included in this ad will have an opportunity to sign up for it at the update in April.
2. Sport License – Carol reported that this is still being worked on at a national level. Adrienne brought up the fact that all levels of competition are available to us. Brief discussion as to how to get Club members and show committees offering more of these classes.
3. The budget request that had been submitted was reviewed.

Highlights from the National Meeting

There was discussion on the circulation of the National Meetings Highlights. As a result of that discussion, the following motion was made. MOTION by Curtis, seconded by Lisa that the Highlights of the national meetings are to be done up by the Coordinator and presented to the MCC or Acting MCC before disbursal to the other Committee members. Motion carried.

Update

Discussed the timelines that had been set up by Penny and Carol with Dr. Rob Wentzell and Dr. Brad Rusaw. These demonstrations will take place in the afternoon and will constitute the technical portion of the update. The administrative portion of the update will take place from 9am until approximately noon with provision for nutritional breaks both morning and afternoon. Curtis will work with Penny to coordinate these breaks.

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Lisa said she will supply chairs. Coaches will be responsible for their own lunch. Discussion as to whether non-coaches should be able to attend the update. Carol said she thought this decision should be made at the update by the entire coaching body. MOTION by Curtis, seconded by Adrienne that only certified coaches or successful Rider 4 candidates who are currently involved in the Mentor Program will be eligible to attend with the payment of a \$60.00 fee.

### Nominating Committee

Adrienne will look after forming a nominating committee regarding any positions up for renewal at the update. Brief discussion on all pertinent positions.

### Other

Discussion centered around the necessity of coaches, particularly the PCC members to work together in the best interests of the entire coaching body in Nova Scotia. It was strongly urged that any information received by any coach from a source outside of the province be verified by the Office. It was also made clear that the Master Course Conductor ( or Acting MCC ) and the Provincial Coordinator are sent to the annual National Western Coaching Committee on behalf of all the coaches. Any agenda items the MCC or PCC wish to add to the National Meeting agenda must be approved by the provincial committee before presentation at the national level.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Carol Shay - Chair