



United States Mondio Ring Association Board of Directors Meeting Minutes July 17, 2017

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Don Lee at 2005 (or 8:05 P.M. CST). A quorum was present.

Members Present:

President	Donald Lee	Director	Gail Marit
Vice President	Allison Seghetti-Kehoe	Director	Todd Dunlap
Secretary	Michon Mills	Director	Karen Shivers
Treasurer	David Broderick		

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes – The June minutes will be approved via

Officer Reports

President – Don reported on discussions that he had with Frans Jensen regarding USMRA compliance with FCI. Frans suggested that USMRA develop an FCI committee that will work with the various larger country Mondioring leaders, like Belgium and France, in making decisions towards compliance with FCI. Frans discussed that when changes are being made that affect an entire organization, it usually takes four years to complete the process from start to finish.

Vice President – No report

Treasurer – Michon reported the following: Wells Fargo – \$36,159.37 PayPal \$4,613.35
Total: \$40,772.72

Secretary – Michon reported the following: YTD numbers: 211 members and 26 clubs.

Director at Large – No reports

Committee Reports

Judge’s Committee – Lisa Geller has been approved as a USMRA Judge by the Committee.

Decoy Committee – No report

Membership Committee – No report

AWDF Update – Michon is still working with AWDF to find out why AKC declined our request to have our titles recognized by AKC. Michon will still work towards getting these approved in the future.

Nationals Committee – Michon reported that two clubs have submitted packets to host the 2018 National Championships, Steel City and West Penn. There are ongoing discussions as Steel City wants to use a field across the street from Paul’s business and it needs to be determined if this location would be considered a sterile field.

Unfinished Business

- Determine an election committee as the election process begins in October -

Discussed that a committee will need to be established as elections will be a yearly event. George Manley, Sarah Brueske and Roberto Cabero were suggestions for being on the Committee and will be contacted by Don in the near future.

Evaluate the Status of USMRA Clubs

- **Discuss/motion for approval of new clubs**
 - None to discuss

New Business

- Discussion/approval of Philippines request for Judge Aida Flick to judge a trial. Approved by the USMRA Judges Committee

It was moved by David, second by Todd to approve Aida Flick to judge a trial in the Philippines. Motion carried unanimously.

- Discussion/approval of Judge’s Training Expenses for Ann Putegnat (\$341.22) and Donald Lee (\$434.42) for the 2017 National Championships. Approved by the USMRA Judges Committee.

It was moved by Todd, second by Michon to approve the expenses to Donald Lee and Ann Putegnat for expenses incurred at the National Championship. Motion carried unanimously.

- Discussion/approval of the 2017 Mondioring World Championship Team

It was moved by Gail, second by Todd to approve the USMRA World Championship Team, Level 1 Team Member Otto Sturm - Cappuccino To Hot To Drink By Strong Quality, Level 2 Team Member Sean Knudsen - Cami Mi Obsession, Level 3 Team Members David Broderick - Idole du Loups du Soleil, Marie Skello - Fuel de Competitor, Paul Anthony - Finnegan des Ombres Valeureux, Emily Morrison - Chien de Travail Hazel, Jourdan Murphy - Al Capone Des Guerriers Malines, Level 3 Alternate Patti Phillips - I’Winston du Loups du Soleil

Votes: Yes: Gail, Todd, Allison; No: None; Abstain: David, Michon - Motion carried by majority vote.

- Facebook discussions/actions for approval – for documentation purposes
 - There was discussion about criteria to fill the USMRA World Team in the event that there wasn't a full team that met the criteria. Criteria discussed as follows:

Process for World Championship Team members that do not meet the stated World Championship Criteria in the event there are vacant positions for the World Championship Team. Members will be selected in the following order:

1. Members that attended Nationals that have two club passing or non-passing scores, meeting the criteria of different fields, different Judges, different decoys, and 250 mile distance between club trial fields. Average of the three scores will be ranked with others meeting this criterion and then will be ranked in that order below the others meeting the posted World Team Criteria.
2. Members that attended Nationals and have only 1 club score, meeting the requirement of different fields, different Judges, different decoys. Average of two scores will be ranked with others meeting this criterion and then ranked in that order below the others meeting the posted World Team Criteria.
3. Members that did not attend Nationals that have 3 club passing scores, meeting the requirement of different fields, different Judges, different decoys, and 250 mile distance between club trial fields. Average of the three scores will be ranked with others meeting this criterion and then ranked in that order below the others meeting the posted World Team Criteria.
4. Members that did not attend Nationals and have 2 club scores meeting the requirements of different fields, different Judges, different decoys and 250 mile distance between club trial fields. Average of the two scores will be ranked with others meeting this criterion then ranked in that order below the others meeting the posted World Team Criteria.
5. A member not meeting any of the World Team Criteria will not be considered.

It was moved by David, second by Michon to use the proposed criteria to fill vacant World Team positions, in the event that a team was not filled with members meeting the current World Team Criteria. Yes – Michon, David, Gail, Karen; No – Allison; Absent – Todd - The motion carried by majority vote. 20170707

- It was moved by Michon, second by Gail to approve the USMRA Judge's Committee recommendation to approve USMRA Judge status to Lisa Geller as she completed the Judge Apprenticeship Program. The motion carried unanimously. 20170707

FCI Committee Discussion –

There was discussion that an FCI committee will need to be established very soon. There were suggestions to include Aida Flick, as her ability to speak French is very important, Marsha Boggs, Donald Lee and Nina Iwashko.

Discussed that decisions regarding FCI will affect French Ring cross overs as French Ring does not require FCI standards. There was also discussions about having a representative from French Ring and IPO.

Member’s Concerns – Any concerns that USMRA Members may have

Announcements

Next Regular BOD Meeting – August 21, 2017 at 8:00 PM Central Time

Adjournment

It was moved by Todd, second by Gail to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 21:32 hours (11:32 P.M. CST)

Michon M. Mills,
USMRA Secretary

**Approved (Approved as Corrected)
BOD Electronic approval**

Michon M. Mills
USMRA Secretary
September 21, 2017