

# MINUTES

# USEA Annual Meeting of Members

Sheraton Boston Hotel, Boston, Massachusetts

Saturday December 14, 2019

1. **Call to Order (Kozlowski)**

Carol Kozlowski began the meeting by inviting Tink Eichell to the podium.

1. **Report of the Secretary (Eichell)**

Tink Eichell established a quorum and asked the membership to approve minutes of the Annual Meeting of Members held December 8, 2018.

**A motion was made and seconded to approve the December 8, 2018 meeting minutes.**

*The motion was passed. There were no oppositions or abstentions.*

1. **Report of the President (Kozlowski)**

Carol Kozlowski welcomed the membership and acknowledged the efforts of the USEA staff and Board of Governors. She spoke about the U.S team qualifications for the 2020 Olympics, record-breaking entries seen during the American Eventing Championships, and the continued efforts to improve safety on a global front. As her presidency comes to end, Carol congratulated Max Corcoran as she is appointed our new president.

1. **Report of the Treasurer (Thompson)**

Morley Thompson presented a report of the financial health of the Association.

1. **Ratification of the Actions of the Board of Governors in 2018 (Mollett)**

Darrin Mollett explained the ratification process and called for a vote to ratify the actions of the Board.

**A motion was made and seconded to approve the actions of the Board of Governors in 2018.**

*The motion was passed. There were no oppositions or abstentions.*

1. **Report of the CEO**

Rob Burk began by recognizing the USEA staff acknowledging those with work anniversaries. He announced highlights from 2019 that were achieved by each of the USEA departments and thanked Carol Kozlowski for her hard work as our outgoing president. Rob presented a memorial for the riders and horses that were lost this year.

1. **Recognition of Outgoing Volunteers**

Carol Kozlowski honored the outgoing volunteers and presented them with gifts of appreciation.

* USEA Foundation Trustee – Dr. Mark Hart
* USEA Foundation Trustee – Jaqueline Mars
* Area X Chair – Christine Murphy
1. **Report of the Nominating Committee (K. Cooper)**

Katherine Cooper announced the nominees for the Board of Governors who were then voted into office.

* Area II: Morgan Rowsell
* Area VII: Jonathan Elliott for remainder of his term
* Area X: Alice Sarno
* At-Large: Max Corcoran
* At-Large: Dr. Jennifer Miller
* At-Large: Jerry Schurink
* At-Large: Brian Murray
* At-Large: John Marshall

**A motion was made and seconded to accept the slate of Board of Governors as a whole.**

*The motion was passed. There were no oppositions or abstentions.*

Katherine introduced the nominees for Trustees of the USEA Foundation.

**A motion was made and seconded to approve Darrin Mollett, Carol Kozlowski, and Diane Pitts as Trustees of the USEA Foundation.**

*The motion was passed. There were no oppositions or abstentions.*

The Governors took a brief recess to nominate officers. Max Corcoran presented the slate of officers which was voted on and accepted by the Governors. Janis Lannin and Carol Kozlowski were recognized for their service as outgoing members of the Board.

Max Corcoran: President

Tink Eichell: Secretary

Morley Thompson, Jr.: Treasurer/ VP Administration and Finance

Mary Coldren: VP Safety

Doug Payne: VP Active Athletes

Jonathan Elliott: VP Competitions

Debra Dealcuaz: VP Area Affairs

Dawn Robbins: VP Membership and Program Development

Jerry Schurink: VP Education

1. **Adjournment (Corcoran)**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:10 pm.