Rules Advisory Committee Conference Call

April 19, 2017 7:00p.m.

In attendance, Delena Doyle, Mary Parrott, Denise Armstrong, Gerald Butler, Lysane Cree, Kim Garrett, Karen Kennedy, Terrianne Larson, Gayl Russell, Kris Simpson, Linda Vance, Jo Waldner, Jacki Walker, Alison Umberger, EC Liaison and Allyson Pennington, Staff Liaison.

Delena called the meeting to order at 7:05p.m.

**Motion #1:** Gerald Butler motioned and Karen Kennedy seconded the motion to form a sub-committee to address Priority #2 (Re-arrange or consolidate portions of rule book for clarity). Sub-committee to consist of Lysane Cree, Kris Simpson, Kim Garrett, Linda Vance, Gerald Butler and Delena Doyle. **Motion Passed.**

**Motion #2:** Denise Armstrong motioned and Karen Kennedy seconded the motion to have Mary Parrott, Denise Armstrong, Karen Kennedy, Linda Vance and Alison Umberger formulate the recommendation to EC regarding Priority #1 (develop a fast track procedure). **Motion Passed.**

**Motion #3:** Gerald Butler motioned and Jo Waldner seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. **Motion Passed.** Meeting was adjourned at 7:45p.m.

Notes: Alison Umberger asked EC regarding their intention on priority #1. She indicated they wanted a recommendation from Rules Advisory Committee if it felt there was an issue that needed to be addressed and if so how to address it. It is to take care of anything that falls outside the normal rule change process. Example: an affiliated association makes a major rule change and it requires APHA to make a rule change in response.

Everyone felt priority #2 was important and a great idea. Delena asked for volunteers to serve on a subcommittee. Start with Halter section first and have something ready for proposal by Convention 2018. Then look at remainder of rule book. Allow Halter to be the test run. Stated the following benefits:

1. ease of dealing with related rules when rules proposed

2. reduction in rule book pages as rules will not be repeated in each section (Open, Amateur, SPB, Youth)

3. ease of use for judge and exhibitor

Alison had input on the following items

1. open standing committee conference calls to outsiders so they can hear what is going on with the rules before they get to convention

2. at convention when rules are presented by standing committee then allow short discussion at the time to give directors a better understanding of the pros and cons of the rule before voting