

**2020 Hunting Retriever Club**  
**Annual Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Meeting Minutes**

The 2020 Annual Board of Directors meeting was first postponed, and eventually canceled due to Covid-19. Realizing that the club still had business that needed tending, the Executive Committee (EC) consulted with our Parliamentarian, Joyce Freeland about our options. Under her advisement, the EC took the following course of action:

- Conference calls were scheduled and held with each of the committee chairs to provide a report on their respective committees.
- Individual audit committees were selected local to each treasurer. Individual financial audits were conducted locally and submitted to the EC for HRC Foundation, HRC Grand and HRC Inc. accounts.
- A called meeting of all of BOD members was scheduled and held by conference call to vote on any Running Rules Proposals not settled by a 2/3 majority during the balloting process.

**Grand Hunt Committee**

Committee Chair Tracy Stubbs updated the EC with progress on the 2020 Fall Grand to be held in Kevill, KY. The committee is working hard to make sure everything is on track for our first “Post Covid-19” Grand Hunt. Our event permit is contingent on our establishing and following a Covid-19 plan that has been approved and on file with DNR. Plans have been made to limit gatherings and implement sanitization and social distancing protocols. Tracy advised that things will look different but that we are doing everything in our power to pull off a successful event. Tracy also reported that Southern Flight HRC had agreed to reschedule their cancelled event for the spring of 2021 and that they had a couple of options for Fall 2020 but that nothing was confirmed yet.

**Field Representatives**

A conference call was held with the Field Reps and the Executive Committee. Committee Chair, Dean Roy opened the meeting and offered each Field Rep an opportunity to provide an update on the happenings in their respective regions. Most of the conversation centered around local Covid-19 restrictions and the effect that it was having on local events. Most of the Field Reps had to cancel their Judges and Handlers seminars. The EC agreed to authorize a grace period through the end of 2020 for judges that needed a seminar and did not have an opportunity to attend one.

**PR Committee**

Committee Chair Kyle Krause reported that he had held a conference call with his committee members with 15 of 18 present. Kyle provided the EC with minutes of their meeting. They resolved several issues surrounding the submissions of articles/media for the HRC Magazine. They also shared information

about how clubs were implementing Covid-19 protocols as clubs were able to begin holding events again. Kyle requested that the EC consider allowing the PR Committee to attend the 2021 annual Board of Directors Meeting since they only meet in person every other year and with the cancelation of 2020 they would be 3 years between meetings. The EC heard the request and tabled it for further discussion.

**Running Rules Committee**

Committee Chair, Todd Tharp provided an update of the Running Rule Change Proposal ballots that had been sent out to clubs in the Spring. Of the twenty three original proposals, two were removed as it was determined they were changes to policy not running rules; seventeen were resolved (either pass or fail) by a 2/3’s majority during the balloting process. The remaining six were to be voted on by the BOD members in a special meeting called for that purpose. A summary of the proposed changes is attached herein.

**Sponsor Committee**

Committee Chair, Lori Greer reported that she had held a conference call with her committee members and provided an update of sponsorship agreements. They have worked hard to build sponsors this year. Covid-19 has caused some of our new sponsors to reduce their initial sponsorship levels but they hope be back bigger and better next year. She was pleased to report that even with the uncertain times, all of our existing sponsors had renewed for another year. They will be putting together a flier to distribute to assist clubs in knowing what is available to them and how to request items.

**HRC Foundation**

Committee Chair, Glen Stelly and his committee members participated in a phone conference with the EC. During the conference call it was reported that the HRC Foundation continues to grow. To date (August 2020), the foundation has awarded a total of \$368,000.00. They average 19-25 applications per year and there are generally 2-3 that don’t meet qualifications.

In 2020, the HRC Foundation awarded 18 scholarships and one research grant in the amount of \$1500 each.

<u>Name</u>	<u>2020 Scholarship Awarded</u>
Daniel Ritcher	HRC Scholarship
Emilee Mclean	Omar Driskill Scholarship
Riley Kotyza	Ernie Istre Scholarship
Tanner Goodrich	HRC Scholarship
Talitha S. Jones	HRC Scholarship
Gage Renner	HRC Scholarship

Kevin England	Wayne Gey Scholarship
Nicole Regan	John Wallace Scholarship
Kate E. England	Carol Ford Scholarship
Megan Kehoe	John Pritchett Scholarship
Haylie Shaw	HRC Scholarship
Ashton G. Broussard	Philip Freeman Scholarship
Braiden Williams	HRC Scholarship
Makayla Pesch	HRC Scholarship
Shannon Kehoe	Carol Rombauer Scholarship
Hunter Poffinbarger	HRC Scholarship
Allison Liddle	Carol Ford Scholarship
Emily Roy	Carol Ford Scholarship

### **Financial Audit Reports**

A local audit committee was assigned to complete a review of the financial records of each of HRC's three legal entities. Each committee completed their review and reported their findings to the Executive Committee. Audit reports and Financial Statements are attached as addendums.