

## Minutes of the ESNZ Jumping Conference Call Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2017

Present:	Richard Sunderland	Chair	RS
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Malcom McKee Vice Chair MM Jan Hunt Member JH Jenny Booth Member JΒ Glen Hicks Member GH Ray Egarr Member RE Maurice Beatson Riders Representative MΒ

**In Attendance:** Dana Kirkpatrick General Manager DK

Victoria Martin Jumping Administrator VM

**Apologies:** Lucy Maley Showhunter

## **Australian Tour Conduct**

RS talked to the issues of conduct of the entire team in Australia which come to a head over the weekend with board members and ESNZ fielding a large number of calls in relation to the tour and behavior of the team.

The following was discussed and noted:

Discussion centered around whether the ESNZ jumping board should commence a commission of inquiry to gather information around the tour and then decide a pathway from there?

The jumping board has no power to impose fines, penalties or sanction any breeches of the constitution - this can only be done if taken through the ESNZ Central Judicial Process which requires a formal complaint to be lodged.

From the information received it appears General Regulations: Article 141 - 3.2.3 applies "Brought ESNZ or the sport of equestrian into disrepute".

Any protest lodged with the ESNZ Judicial Committee must be lodged within 14 days of the matter, issue, event or events giving rise to the complaint occurring. Complaints received outside of the time period will not be considered.

It is acknowledged that the judicial process is the best path to deal with the issue as there is already a clear process and pathway set out in the general regulations. And even though the jumping board would have like to have dealt with it themselves the best process is one that already exists and has a clear penalty system.

The board agreed the matter needed to be dealt with promptly and in a timely manner.

Motion moved to wait and see if an official complaint is lodged within the required time frame if not then the Jumping board will do its own investigation.

Moved RS: Seconded JB

All in Favour

## Tauranga Show Independent Investigation

Moved that the following statement be put on the ESNZ website:

"The ESNZ Jumping independent investigation into issues relating to inappropriate behavior at the Tauranga Jumping Show and allegations made by Jumping members has now reached a conclusion.

The members involved have been communicated with and the report will remain confidential. This matter has raised two areas of concern and the ESNZ Jumping board has made representation to the ESNZ board and management about the need for stronger policies for social media and an enhanced code of conduct for members including sanctions/penalties for breaches of both. This will be pursued with the ESNZ board as a matter of urgency.

The matter is now closed and no further discussion will be entered into"

Moved RS; Seconded JB

All in Favour

Next Meeting - 25th of May 2017

Meeting closed - 8:30pm