The meeting was held at the Howard Johnson Antiqua Bay Waterpark in the Wisconsin Dells on November 19, 2005.

Present: Peggy Brush, Tony Troyer, Dianne Schmidt, Linda Mowrer, Dean Peterson, DVM, Mike Bernsdorf & June Scheunemann, Rick Nelson, Wayne Gastfield, Bonnie Mielke, Dawn Haas, Lynn Reichert, Theresa Meyer, Dale Lunde, Roberta Harms, Bettina Koehn

The meeting was called to order at 11:15 by President, Peggy Brush.

The following Committee Reports were given:

1. Dale Lunde, Chair - Mentorship Committee:
Dale reported that ride managers (at least in Minnesota) have been working on promoting Novice Rides and working on promoting and peaking interest with the people that show interest in those rides

2. Lynn Reichert, Chair – Education Committee
Lynn reported that her committee had been busy getting together information, ride schedules, information on how to get started in our sport, etc., to send out to first time riders at rides.

3. Dawn Haas, Chair – Unity Committee
Reported that MN, WI and MI are exchanging audiotapes

Peggy Brush, Chair - Membership Committee
MN and IL had booths at the Horse Expos,
MN had an ad in the Horse Expo handout

Theresa Meyer, Chair - Bylaws and Rules
Rule clarifications – spirit of rules, addition to rules
Bylaws – clarifications and Art Priesz, Jr, corporate Attorney

Mike Bernsdorf, Chair – Technology Committee
Mike reported that we are trying to get a software program together that would incorporate the current Quickbook database used by the Treasurer with the points, and the way the rides submit their points.

Old Business:

The April 2, 2005 meeting minutes were read and accepted with the addition of Rick Nelson's tabled motion that rides receive one vote for one day of sanctioning. Peggy Brush made the motion to accept the minutes with this correction and Dale Lunde seconded.	Reading of April 2, 2005 Meeting Minutes
New Business	
Peggy Brush made the motion that the Secretary Treasurer's position be split into two voting positions. Dale Lunde seconded. Motion was tabled	Sec-Treas split into two positions
Theresa Meyer moved that we accept the changes in Article 1 of the submitted proposed Bylaw Changes. Dale Lunde seconded. Art stated that he would continue this service without a fee to UMECRA. Motion carried. This will be presented to the Annual Meeting. Copy of change is attached.	Theresa Meyer: Bylaw Changes. Article 1
Theresa Meyer moved that we accept the changes in Article V with the addition of d. Web Master to be defined by Mike Bernsdorf. D then became e. Discussion followed. The Proposed changes in Article V will be presented to the membership at the Annual Meeting. Copy attached	Bylaw Change Article V
Theresa Meyer moved that we accept the changes in Article II and VII (II refers to VII) and submit them to the membership at the Annual Meeting. This has to do with 1 ride day, 1 vote. Article VII has a 21st Century definition of a family. Copy attached with revisions. These will be presented at the Annual Meeting	Editing of Article II and VII

Theresa Meyer had a lot of housekeeping rulebook changes that were accepted by the Board. The following addition to the rulebook was accepted by the Board to be put before the General Rules and After the Reported Section: Spirit of the Rules It is impossible to predict and write rules to cover every situation that might arise at an UMECRA event. At times, the underlying UMECRA philosophy of the rules must be used in order to accommodate acts of nature, vandalism or accidents. In dealnig with such situations and implementing and applying the existing rules, UMECRA depents on the good intentions of its membership to interpret the rules, honestly, fairly and in the spirit with which they have been written. To help in these situations, please remember the following: UMECRA places the highest priority on the safety of horses, riders, and workers. All contestants should be treated in an equitable and impartial manner to provide a fair competition. The event should be a pleasant, enjoyable experience for horses, riders, and workers.	Rulebook Housekeeping
Dale Lunde made a motion for the following rule motion, Rick Nelson seconded. Change #1 Endurance Rule 9A1 All horses must stand **for** a mandatory post ride evaluation within one hourr of finishing. Riders may present their horses for the final examination at a time of their choosing during the one-hour period. A horse that does not meet the established criteria within one hour of crossing the finish line shall be disqualified. Once a competing horse has passed the post ride examination, it may not be removed from completion for veterinary reasons: (AERC only). No horse will be certified for UMECRA ~~completion if it needs or re~~ceived treatment (or) for metabolic reasons before leaving the grounds **within 2 hours of finishing,** regardless of whether it has passed its final check. Such horse/rider combination may still receive AERC points and mileage credit. Change #2 LD Rule 13 13) All equines must stand for a mandatory post ride evaluation within one half hour of finishing the course. Riders may present their equines for the final examination at a time of their choosing during the one half hour period. An equine that does not meet the established criter withine one half hour of arrival time shall be disqualified. Once a completed horse has passed the post ride examination, it may not be removed from completion for veterinary reasons. (AERC opnly). No horse will be certified for UMECRA completion if it needs or received treatment for metabolic reasons ~~before leaving the grounds~~ **within 2 hours of finishing.**regardless of whether it has passed its final check. Such horse/rider combination may still receive AERC points and mileage credit. Change #3 Competitive Rule 6B3 6B3) Have not required and/or received medication for any metabolic reasons before leaving the grounds **within 2 hours of finishing** (to include colic, tying up, thumps, etc.). Any medication administered on the grounds must be under the supervision of a veterinarian. EXCEPTION: Mileage but not placing shall be allowed for a horse that has passed the final check but needs metabolic treatment after that check. Discussion followed, Motion carried. It will be presented to the Annual Meeting.	Rule Change

The Year-End Award Committee is comprised of Lynn Reichert, Joyce Mocilan, Dawn Haas and Dianne Schmidt Joyce reported there are 71 top 10 awards and 24 restricted mileage awards.	
Joyce Mocilan reported that our website is up for renewal in August and the longer we renew it for, the cheaper the fee. Peggy Brush made a motion to renew our Website for five year and Dale Lunde seconded. Motion carried	Website renewal
Tony Troyer made a motion that we buy a copier, scanner so that checks can be scanned and copies mailed to Pointskeeper. Cheryl Levin donated a scanner-copier to UMECRA. Further to this motion it was suggested by Dale that Ride managers take responsibility for copying their check and mailing it to the treasurer when they mail their results to the Pointskeeper.	The procedure for mailing ride results will be printed in the ride-managers handbook under suggestions.
Roberta Harms, Dianne Schmidt, Joyce Mocilan, and Theresa Meyer are on a committee to set up ride managers handbook of information defining procedure for sanctioning rides, mailing in ride results, etc.	Sanctioning Rides Ride Result Procedure
Bonnie Mielke made a motion to limit the age of Junior rides to 10 for Competitive and Endurance. Roberta Harms seconded. Discussion followed. Motion failed	Limit age of Junior Riders
Joyce Mocilan has volunteered to update the Ride entry form AERC Endurance cards will have UMECRA information added to them.	Ride packet forms to be updated
Tony Troyer made motion to use handheld monitors at competitive rides. Joyce Mocilan seconded. Discussion followed. Motion carried Tony's Rock River Ride and Draw IV will be trial rides in 2006. Rechecks will be given by a stethoscope.	Use of hand-held monitors at competitive rides
Tony made a motion to give voting rights to the Riders at the Annual Meeting. Bonnie Mielke seconded. Discussion followed. Motion failed.	Rider voting rights at annual meeting
Dianne reported that additional insureds need to be declared before the the policy is purchased. When we make additions to the policy later in the year, it is at a penalty to our club. Dianne and Peggy will study this further before the January meeting.	Liability Insurance
Dawn Haas read a procedure that would penalize a rider with double entry fees for rude behavior at a ride. Discussion followed, Dawn is going to address this further at the January meeting.	Rider rude behavior
Total Checking/Savings $22,172.79 Fund – Banquet -647.09 Fund – ICF Competitions 3,939.86 Fund – Trail 1,984.66 Total Long Term Liabilities $5,277,43 Total Equity of $16,895.36 as of 11/15/05 UMECRA Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss follows	Treasurer's Report

Respectfully submitted,