Southwestern Regional Board Meeting Minutes

Date: May 15, 2025

Start Time: 6:00 PM

Platform: Messenger Video Call

Attendees:

Nelli Racsko

Renne Foster

Lisa Yauchzee

Pete Medina

Absent:

Christian Gomez

Erin Easter

Old Business

Review of Procedures:

Attending board members reviewed the linked resource on Robert's Rules of Order.

Club Feedback and Development Topics:

Discussion on what clubs would like to see from the board.

2026 IGP Regional Championship – still seeking a host.

Helper Development: Strategies to recruit and develop new helpers.

Tracklayer Book Requirements:

- Awareness that updated tracklayer books are mandatory for all events starting in 2026.
- Encourage clubs to send members to seminars for certification.
- How to update old tracklayer books to meet new standards.

Promotion of RH Tracking and Titles:

- Explore how RH can be promoted within the region.
- Inquire about the level of support RH receives from USCA at both regional and national levels.

STP Title Awareness:

- Although not a new title, the STP (Special Tracking

Program) is underutilized.

- Discuss how to raise awareness and understanding of this title among clubs and members.

New Business

2025 Regional Breed Evaluation and Breed Survey:

- Date changed to one week later (now over Thanksgiving weekend) to accommodate the judge's availability.
- Awaiting approval from the USCA office.

Annual Regional Educational Seminar:

- To be discussed at the next meeting due to the absence of Regional Training Director Christian Gomez.

2026 IGP Southwestern Regional Championship – Bids Update:

- Email sent to all clubs; no host confirmed yet.
- Pete Medina offered the use of his property to a potential hosting club.
- Steve Romeo (Sin City Hundesport Club) is assisting with coordination and has contacted Carl Bell regarding tracking support.
- Ground Zero has expressed interest in hosting, pending confirmation of a suitable trial field and tracking grounds.

Next Meeting:

Proposed for the end of June (exact date to be determined).

Adjournment:

Time: 6:53 PM

Motion to adjourn by Renne Foster

Seconded by Nelli Racsko