

- ii. [REDACTED]

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- i. [REDACTED]

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IV. Old Business

- a. Stakes – Paul reported that the Stakes financials were in that the show made approximately \$90,000 – up from the \$60,000 that was budgeted.
- b. Derby – Jay reported that the entries for the Derby are flat compared to last year. The Aged Event entries are about the same, but the Horse Show classes are down. It was suggested that the reason for this might be the horse show people are concerned about the size of the Rodeo Arena based on last year’s configuration. We need to make sure the size is improved.
- c. Hackamore Awards – the board discussed and agreed that the budget was set to do all the same awards as last year and to move forward with ordering them.
- d. Bronzes / Bob’s Saddles / Raffle / Books / Old Merchandise – were not discussed.

V. 2017 SBF Futurity Location – The board continued discussion on the 2017 – 2019 Futurity location RPF.

- a. Facility Adjustments - Paul reported that all 3 facilities had responded to the request for adjustments / clarifications to their proposals:
 - i. Reno
 - 1. Decreased their per day fee from \$5500 to \$5000 a day
 - 2. Could not commit to making any improvements
 - ii. Scottsdale
 - 1. They were unable to lower the price of stalls, but did offer to manage the stalls for us.
 - 2. AzQHA offered to give NRCHA between \$5,000 and \$10,000 in sponsorship during the first year.
 - 3. They were also unable to reduce any fees without an economic impact study – which they requested we do in September in Reno.
 - iii. Fort Worth
 - 1. Date adjustment – APHA and WR agreed to allow move in on 9/30.

2. Agreed to give the facility on the Sunday after the futurity ends for Horse Show classes at no charge.
 3. The facility cost was based on a 14-day show schedule. They agreed to reduce the fee by \$5,000 per day for each day NRCHA is able to cut off the schedule.
- b. General Discussion – the board discussed the city selection. General arguments included:
- i. High concern of decreased participation and increased membership frustration if 2 of the premier events are in the same location.
 - ii. Moving only makes sense if it is better for all involved and results in increased participation and / or increased payouts
 - iii. Any venue change should be considered independent of other potential premiere event venue changes. What makes sense for this show?
 - iv. Member feedback regarding potential venue change to Fort Worth, including emails, was discussed / reviewed.
- c. Todd Crawford moved to move the Snaffle Bit Futurity to Fort Work in 2017 and sign a 3-year contract. Amanda Gardiner seconded.
- i. Additional discussion was had which included possible table of the motion until Paso board meeting.
 - ii. There was a suggestion made that the financial numbers were being misrepresented in order to make one facility look better than another. Paul Bailey offered to review all of the proposals with anyone to show exactly how the numbers had been derived and all board members were welcome to do their own comparisons.
 - iii. Concern about the impact on the Idaho futurity and Northwest / California shows was revisited.
- d. President Bergen called for a vote. Since the vote was taken via phone, it was a roll call vote which was as follows:
- i. Dave Allen - no
 - ii. Paul Bailey - yes
 - iii. Brad Barkemeyer - yes
 - iv. Todd Bergen - yes
 - v. Dr. Joe Carter by proxy – yes
 - vi. Sandy Collier - yes
 - vii. Todd Crawford - yes
 - viii. Diane Edwards - yes
 - ix. Amanda Gardiner - yes
 - x. Jim Lane - yes
 - xi. Trey Neal - yes
 - xii. Dan Roeser - no
 - xiii. Jon Roeser - no
 - xiv. Jimmy Stickler – yes
 - xv. Jake Telford - yes
 - xvi. MOTION PASSED – 12 to 3.

- e. Announcement – It was discussed that announcement should take place within the week after the other competing venues were informed of the decision. Jay will work with Stephanie to craft an email blast that will go out to the membership as well as a Facebook post.

VI. New Business

- a. Youth Rodeo Sponsorships and Non Pro eligibility – The board discussed the situation of a Youth rider in High School Rodeo who is also a Non Pro. The discussion was a recap of the topic from the board meeting in Las Vegas, at which the rule clarification was that a Youth was ok to wear patches and receive money as long as they were competing as a youth. If that Youth is ALSO a Non Pro, they are not allowed to wear patches nor receive money. The board discussed a rule change for 2017 that would allow a Youth rider to continue to receive money and wear patches even if they are a Non Pro. The incorporation of High School Rodeo culture into the NRCHA is of particular interest because so many of the Youth in High School Rodeo receive money and product (i.e. ropes) to help offset the cost of participation. One particular Youth rider is currently in that situation and is in technical violation of the Non Pro rules. There will be a letter sent informing him of the violation and clarifying the Non Pro eligibility regarding sponsorship. The letter will go in his file, but no disciplinary action will be taken. Jay Winborn will call the parents of the Youth and clarify.
- b. Professionals Meeting – There will be a Professionals Meeting in Paso.
- c. Spam / Scam Email – Trey made the board aware of a situation in which he received an email that looked like it was from Todd Bergen asking him to transfer money to an unknown company. It looked incredibly legitimate – but was, in fact, spam. The thieves are becoming incredibly clever. He reminded everyone to be vigilant and never open things they aren't expecting and call to confirm any questionable emails. He would also like the website to be revamped so that personally identifiable information is removed from 'the open'.

VII. Next Meeting

- a. The board discussed cancelling the Paso board meeting if there were no other topics to discuss. It was agreed that the meeting is cancelled.

VIII. Adjourn

- a. Trey Neal moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:57pm CST. Jim Lane seconded.
- b. MOTION PASSED – none opposed
- c. Meeting adjourned