



National Reined Cow Horse Association
Board of Directors
Fort Worth, TX
August 30, 2017

- I. Call to Order by Todd Bergen, President at 9:47am CST
 - a. Present:
 - i. Todd Bergen, President
 - ii. Paul Bailey, Vice President
 - iii. Trey Neal, Treasurer
 - iv. Todd Crawford
 - v. Jake Telford
 - vi. Jim Lane
 - vii. Frank Prisco
 - viii. Jay Winborn, Executive Director
 - ix. Kelley Hartranft
 - b. Via Teleconference:
 - i. Brad Barkemeyer
 - ii. Diane Edwards
 - iii. Sandy Collier
 - c. Via Proxy
 - i. Dan Roeser – Jake Telford Proxy
 - ii. Jon Roeser – Jake Telford Proxy
 - d. Not present / on the call:
 - i. Dr. Joe Carter
 - ii. Dave Allen
 - iii. Amanda Gardiner
 - iv. Jimmy Stickler
 - v. Ted Robinson
- II. Approval of minutes from last meetings.
 - a. Jake Telford moved to accept the minutes from the prior meetings. Paul Bailey seconded.
 - b. MOTION PASSED, none opposed
- III. Financial Report
 - a. Paul Bailey reported that so far, the association is on track with 2017 budget numbers (122,000 Year end profit).
 - i. Celebration of Champions = \$45,927 profit

- ii. Stallion Stakes = \$58,771 profit
 - iii. Derby = \$144 loss compared to prior years \$33,000 losses
 - b. The Budget meeting which is normally at the beginning of November will need to push to the end of November / first of December because of the calendar slide of SBF.
- IV. Executive Session - I
 - a. Paul Bailey moved to convene the Executive Session, Trey Neal seconded.
 - i. The board moved into Executive Session.
 - b. Paul Bailey moved to close the Executive Session, Trey Neal seconded.
 - i. The board closed the Executive Session.
- V. Old Business
 - a. Rules Updates - Staff brought up several items that have been on the table:
 - i. 4.9 World Show Invitations for Breed Alliance partners. Staff suggested APHA be offered the same invitation as AQHA finalists. Additionally, staff suggested that any entry that is due to an alliance invitation should not receive year end national standing points unless the entry already has NRCHA points. This eliminates an entry just coming to the World Show and ending up top 5 in the National Standings because of the available points. APPROVED
 - ii. Spectaculars – Staff suggested rewrite the Spectacular section to allow for spectaculars other than Bridle (i.e. Two Rein / NP Limited, Hackamore / etc). APPROVED
 - iii. Intermediate Open Horse Show Classes – the Board adopted two new provisional classes. Similar to the Select classes the Intermediate Open (Bridle / Hackamore) will require entry into the corresponding Open Class. There will be no World show Qualifying – but it will be offered at Premiere Events as well as the World Show. Eligibility will be based on the same Criteria as the Intermediate Open LAE category. APPROVED
 - iv. Intermediate Open LAE Eligibility – is currently calculated as anyone not on the Top Riders List. That list is currently calculated on a rolling 3 year total LAE earnings in open classes. The REVISED criteria is a rolling 3 year total on LIFETIME earnings. Non Pros will also be eligible. Removing the Top 12 Non Pro rider restriction. APPROVED
 - v. Ladies LAE at SBF – it was discussed and agreed that this class will no longer have an entry fee. Any rider will be auto entered into the class and it will be for prizes only. APPROVED
 - vi. World’s Greatest Scratch Policy – will be updated to match LAE event policy. APPROVED
 - vii. 16.3.4.5 Judge – seminar requirement MAY be waived upon recommendation of the director of judges after judging an NRCHA premiere event. APPROVED
 - viii. New Herd Work Score Sheet – judge’s committee recommended a slightly revised score sheet. All agreed it was fine. APPROVED
 - ix. Illegal Equipment – Staff reported that the illegal equipment section is being moved in the rule book. It also brought to the board’s attention a letter / petition received from NRCHA members asking to make illegal the following:

brain chains, chambons, head setter tie downs. Consensus was not to add at this time. TABLED.

- x. New Pattern – Bill Enk and the judge committee recommended a new pattern with roll backs. Jake Telford will follow up with them. The recommendation is not what he had in mind. TABLED.
- xi. Cow Work Judge’s Card – Judge committee recommended verbiage change to Penalty 0 letter E so that it reads “EXTREMELY out of control”. APPROVED
- xii. Tish Wilhite asked the Board to revisit the calculation of LIFETIME earnings. She asked that Non Pro earnings not be counted toward Open Earnings (i.e. A non pro with 15,000 in lifetime earnings as a non pro is not eligible for the Limited Open). NO CHANGE TO EXISTING RULE.
- xiii. Boxing Merit Award – Staff recommended a new Merit Award category be created for Boxing money. Because it does not count toward Superior nor Supreme merit awards. Paul Bailey moved and Todd Crawford seconded. MOTION PASSED. Staff will work on exact criteria for 2019 implementation (including name).

b. SBF Items

- i. Level 1 Entry draw position – T&C state that if a Level 1 entry that has a corresponding Open Slot is sold AFTER the draw, the Open Slot retains the draw position and the Level 1 is treated as a late entry. Staff suggested that it should instead be ‘chipped’ into the draw, as it was a valid entry at the time of the draw. The same thing goes for Amateur. APPROVED.
- ii. Cattle – Todd Crawford and Boyd have a visit schedule to see / review the cattle on Tuesday, September 5.
- iii. Non Pro Finals Start time – push to 4pm because of sale number (See Sale committee report).
- iv. Facility Walk Through – the Board walked through the facility and discussed cattle holding pens / practice pens, etc.

c. Board Member Travel Reimburse – TABLED.

VI. Committee Reports

a. Hall of Fame

- i. 2018 Inductees: There has been a request to allow announcement of the Dom Conicelli induction into the Hall of Merit in 2018 early, as it is his 85th Birthday. Todd Crawford moved. Frank Prisco seconded.

1. MOTION PASSED – none opposed. it was OK

b. Show Committee

- i. Facility Walk Through for upcoming SBF

c. Sale Committee

- i. The Sale committee reported that there are 320 consignments for the SBF sale. Western Bloodstock has added a second session of yearlings on Friday. That will affect the timeline of the Non Pro Futurity Finals. It was agreed that the FRIDAY NON PRO Finals will be pushed to 4pm instead of 2pm.
- ii. Incentive Structure. Final terms were approved for the 2018 incentive (interim until the 2019 structure is implemented).

1. 2017 Incentive
 - a. Yearling – based only on those paid at the sale in Reno in 2015.
 - b. Two Year Old – based only SOLD at the sale in Reno in 2016 (auto entry)
 2. 2018 Incentive
 - a. Yearling – based only on those that paid at the sale in Reno in 2016.
 - b. Two Year Old – based only on the Two Year Old horses that SOLD at the 2017 Ft Worth Sale AND paid into the incentive.
 - d. Nominating Committee
 - i. Staff reported that the CPA in Idaho is available again this year. Todd Bergen appointed Jake Telford, Trey Neal and Diane Edwards to the committee. Staff inquired if there was a requirement for a physical mailing. The By-Laws just indicate that people be informed. Staff will do an email as well as a news feed feature on the home page. It was discussed that there is a good diversity of owners / trainers / other on the Board now and that it would be ideal to keep that mix.
 - e. Rules Committee
 - i. Issue with sanctioned show. Tall pines in Flagstaff was affected by weather and opted to hold one show day with two judges. A Violation of the “no double judge / double point” rule. Staff communicated to the secretary when the results were first submitted. A rules committee member at the show indicated that the show management should contact Allison to confirm that it was legal. That call was not made. Staff’s initial decision was to not count either show. After much discussion, a compromise was suggested that the originally scheduled judge would count but that the second judge would be changed to a category 2 event and not count for points / qualifying. As the show did collect the \$8 fee. Staff distributed the issue to the rules committee. After much discussion the Rules committee suggested that the board accept the compromise. Jake Telford moved that the Board take the recommendation of the Rule Committee and count only 1 show as qualifying / Points / Category 1 and convert the second to a Non-qualifying / no points / Category 2 show. Jim Lane seconded.
 1. MOTION PASSED – 1 opposed
 - f. Affiliate Committee
 - i. Staff suggested that NRCHA should do a Show Management seminar for people who would like to learn the “NRCHA” method of Show Management (secretary / manager) and that we could incorporate it into the Stakes – maybe the Sunday / Monday after the event. Possibly cover some of the costs (i.e. Hotel room for 1 night) for Affiliates. Frank / Jim will bring it up at the Affiliate Meeting at the World Show.
- VII. Trey Neal moved to adjourn the meeting. Paul Bailey seconded.
- a. The meeting was adjourned.