

NRHA COMMITTEE REPORT FORM

Committee name: Animal Welfare Committee

Meeting date: April 4, 2009

Committee Members Present: Mario Boisjoli – Chair, Lisa Lennington, Allen Mitchels, Bub Poplin, Robb Walther and Rod Liebring

Committee Members not Present: Flis Sassella, Shawn Flarida, Steve Schwartzenberger

Staff Present: Christa Morris, Haley Carmen, Katie Hendrickson

Guests: Ollie Griffith, Andre DeBellefeuille, Josh Visser and Brett Walters

Mission Statement: To protect the welfare and integrity of Reining horses

Agenda Items

- Reviewed 2009 Convention meeting minutes
- Discussed revisions of NRHA animal welfare policies and position statements, as well as a position statement regarding horses as personal property
- Discussed the role of NRHA Judges in animal welfare concerns and written format for future schools
- Discussed including animal welfare issues in various Town Talk agendas
- Reviewed Rule Change – 33-02-10, 63-01-10, 63-03-10 and 65-02-10
- Discussed including an article in the NRHA Reiner about animal welfare as it relates to NRHA
- Developed a recommendation for staff to send a news release about the formation of the Animal Welfare committee