

NRHA COMMITTEE REPORT FORM

Committee name: Youth Committee

Meeting date: March 21, 2011

Committee Members Present: Brett Walters – Chair, Tom Lauth – Vice Chair, Helen Lauth, Jennifer Hoyt, Judy Skwarek, Carlee Mahajan, Mandy McCutcheon

Committee Members not present: Roxane Lawrence, Linda Raymond

Staff Present: Shianne Megel

Guests:

Mission Statement: To provide a character and leadership building program that will enable youth to become the future leaders of the Reining horse industry.

Agenda Items

- A fundraising update from the Regional Clinic Series was presented. Shianne asked the committee to evaluate the program over the next year to consider the option of working with NRHA Professionals to integrate the clinic series into training programs they may already be producing on their own.
- The Officer Development Program has been very successful. NRHyA had a very strong presence at the American Youth Horse Conference. Hannah Bengtson was one of the presenters and Brett Walters hosted a Ride A Reiner which has been described as the hit of the conference. The NRHyA Executive Committee will be attending the YES Leadership conference in Amarillo, TX. They will have the opportunity for individual leadership and speaking training at West Texas A&M the day before the conference.
- The youth program has a full schedule of activities planned for the NRHA Derby. The schedule includes the youth meeting, community service activities, delegate leadership development activities, the Collegiate Championship, the Interscholastic Championship and the debut of NRHyA Speaking Contests.
 - The speaking contests will include 3 different options for youth members to compete. **Delivering A: General, Prepared Public Speaking and Community Service Presentations.**
 - A panel of judges will evaluate the participants in the three contests. **An entry date has been set of May 15th.** If you know of someone who is interested in participating please contact Shianne.

The NRHyA will be presenting two new awards at the Hall of Fame and Awards Banquet. 2010 NRHyA Volunteer and 2010 NRHyA Professional of the Year.

- An update on the IEA partnership was given. Membership cards have been sent out and an i-Pad will be raffled off to one lucky IEA member who logs on to the NRHA members only section and updates their information. Shianne will be attending the IEA National Finals at the end of April.