

**NATIONAL REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION**  
**Board of Director Meeting Minutes**  
**Oklahoma City, OK**  
**May 6, 2013**

**Approved 8/24/2013**

**Present:** Beth Himes – President, Rick Clark –Vice President, Mike Deer, Terry Griffin, Jennifer Hoyt, Tom McCutcheon, Rosanne Sternberg, Josh Visser, Jim Blumer, Kelli Brooksby, Barbara Brookshire, Shane Brown, Jesse Chase, Becky Hanson, Kelly Hedges, Casey Hinton, Matt Mills, Sebastian Petroll, Shannon Rafacz, Guy Vernon, Marc Wagman, Brett Walters, Brian Welman, Joe Wolfe, Frank Costantini, Susy Baeck, Bernie Hoeltzel, Filippo Masi, Katharina Quinte, Kim Maharaj, Lee Foster

**Not Present:** Rosanne Sternberg, Tim Lynch, Doug Milholland, Roberto Cuoghi, Helmut Schulz, Gerd Wilhelm, Annie Woodhouse, Peter Christians, Raul Leal

**Staff:** Chief Financial Officer John Foy, Director of Operations Jessica Johnson, Senior Director of Publications Carol Trimmer, Senior Director of Sponsorship & Television Programming Todd Barden, Senior Director of Marketing Christa Morris, Senior Director of Association Services Michelle Wrigley, Senior Network Administrator Dennis York, Manager of RHSF & Youth Shianne Megel, Supervisor of Association Services Krissy Colbath, Sponsorship & Television Programming Coordinator Christina Brezack, European Programs Advisor Nick Cornelissens.

**Call to Order**

Beth Himes called the meeting to order at 11:07am.

Roll call was taken. A quorum was established.

**Meeting Minutes**

Barbara Brookshire motioned to approve meeting minutes from February 9, February 26, March 21 and April 8, 2013. Seconded by Brett Walters. Motion passed unanimously.

Mike Deer motioned to approve E-Vote minutes. Seconded by Barbara Brookshire. Motion passed unanimously.

**Apprentice Applications – Executive Session**

**Judges for Approval – Executive Session**

**2013 NRHA Derby Judges – Executive Session**

**2013 NRHA Futurity Judges – Executive Session**

**European Derby Conditions**

Nick Cornelissens presented the 2013 European Derby Conditions as proposed by the European Affiliate Council. All 4-year-old horses must be nominated in the NRHA Nomination Program. Nick Cornelissens noted that the judges monitor position would be funded for with the judges fee and entry fee retainage.

Terry Griffin motioned to approve the 2013 European Derby Conditions as presented. Seconded by Bernie Hoeltzel. Motion passed unanimously.

**European Pre-Futurity Conditions**

Brett Walters motioned to approve the European Pre-Futurity Conditions as proposed. Seconded by Kim Maharaj. Motion passed unanimously.

**European Affiliate Championship Conditions**

Nick Cornelissens summarized the European Affiliate Council's recommended 2014 European Affiliate Championship Conditions. For 2014, all horses qualified for the European Affiliate Championships must have earned their earnings/points at European-based events.

Jennifer Hoyt motioned to approve the 2014 European Affiliate Championship Conditions. Seconded by Matt Mills. Motion passed unanimously.

**European Affiliate Championship Bid 2014-2015**

Mike Deer motioned to accept the European Affiliate Council's recommendation to hold the 2014-2015 European Affiliate Championships in Paris, France. Seconded by Rick Clark. Motion passed unanimously.

**Eastern Canada Regional Affiliate Finals**

Shianne Megel summarized the proposed facility amenities.

Bernie Hoeltzel motioned to move the 2013 Eastern Canada Regional Affiliate Finals to Fletcher's Horse World. Seconded by Kim Maharaj. Motion passed unanimously.

**NRHA Show Steward Approval – Executive Session**

**Demographic/Loyalty Survey – Executive Session**

**Australia Affiliate Conditions**

Kim Maharaj motioned to approve the 2013-2014 Australia Affiliate Championship Conditions as presented. Seconded by Joe Wolfe. Motion passed unanimously.

**2014 Rule Change Proposals**

Beth Himes explained the procedural difference between rule change and bylaw proposals. Also, Himes explained the channels each rule change would travel before the August Board Meeting where the proposals would be voted on. Krissy Colbath summarized each rule change proposal.

***Staff left the meeting at 12:05pm***

**Nominating Committee – Executive Session**

**Protest Update – Executive Session**

**NRHA Derby Tradeshow – Executive Session**

***Beth Himes left the meeting at 12:16pm***

**Executive Director Search – Executive Session**

***Brett Walters motioned to adjourn at 12:44pm. Seconded by Mike Deer.***