

NATIONAL REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
August 18-19, 2015

Approve 1/23/16

Present: President Rick Clark, Vice President Mike Deer, Casey Hinton, Shane Brown, Kelly Hedges, Rosanne Sternberg, Dave Belson, Brett Walters, Joao Marcos, Lee Foster, Brian Welman, Kim Maharaj, Larry Barker, Jim Blumer, Shannon Rafacz, Barbara Brookshire, Rick Ramsey, Becky Hanson, Josh Visser, Fred Thomsson, Sebastian Petroll, Jesse Chase, Kelli Brummett, Frank Costantini

Conference Call: Joe Wolfe, Guy Vernon, Beth Richards

Not Present: Roberto Cuoghi, Susy Baeck, Bernie Hoeltzel, Filippo Masi, Sven Friebecke, Helmut Schulz, Gerd Wilhelm, Mick Taylor, Raul Leal

Staff: Commissioner Gary Carpenter, Assistant Commissioner Christa Morris, Executive Assistant Liz Kelsey, Chief Financial Officer John Foy, Director of Information Technology Dan Dobbs, Director of Events & Affiliates Shianne Megel, Manager of Member Services Jamie Jones, Senior Director of Marketing Todd Branson, Senior Director of Business Development Todd Barden, Senior Director of Publications Carol Trimmer, Director of Accounting Chris Mossman, Senior Coordinator of Events Samantha Oldfield

Call to Order:

President Rick Clark called the meeting to order at 8:08 a.m. A quorum was established.

Executive Session

Jim Blumer left the meeting at 8:51 a.m. Break at 9:39 a.m. Reconvened at 9:47 a.m. NRHA staff joined the meeting.

Consent Agenda

A motion and a second were made to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

IT Update

Chief Financial Officer John Foy presented the proposal from the Jockey Club IT Services and information from a recent visit to their headquarters. Gary Carpenter disclosed that he previously worked for the Jockey Club.

Frank Costantini joined the meeting at 10:01 a.m. NRHA Staff left the meeting.

Financial Report- Executive Session

Break for staff recognition and lunch at 11:23 a.m. Reconvened at 12:13 p.m.

John Foy left the meeting and Senior Coordinator of Events & Affiliates Megan Lundquist joined the meeting.

2016 Proposed Rule Changes

President Rick Clark explained how voting on the rule changes would proceed. Megan Lundquist, Jamie Jones, and Christa Morris presented all of the rule changes.

41-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 41-01-16. Motion passed unanimously.

44-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 44-01-16. Motion passed unanimously.

44-02-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 44-02-16. Motion passed unanimously.

47-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 47-01-16. Motion passed unanimously.

47-02-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 47-02-16. Motion passed unanimously.

48-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 48-01-16. Motion passed unanimously.

48-02-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 48-02-16. Open to discussion.

A motion and a second were made to amend the rule to read “five consecutive years”.
Amendment passed unanimously.

Original Motion passed unanimously.

50-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 50-01-16. Motion passed unanimously.

54-01-16

No action was taken on rule change 54-01-16.

60-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 60-01-16. Open to discussion.

A motion and a second were made to split the rule into two separate rule changes, one concerning the code of conduct on file and one concerning the lifetime membership.

Favor: Jesse Chase, Guy Vernon, Joao Marcos, Frank Costantini, Brett Walters, Dave Belson, Mike Deer, Kelly Hedges, Rosanne Sternberg, Lee Foster, Brian Welman, Kim Maharaj, Shannon Rafacz, Barbara Brookshire, Rick Ramsey, Becky Hanson, Josh Visser, Kelli Brummett, Joe Wolfe, Beth Richards, Guy Vernon

Opposed: Sebastian Petroll, Fred Thomsson, Shane Brown, Casey Hinton.

Motion passed 21-4.

60-01-16 Part 1: Code of Conduct on File

A motion and a second were made to approve part one of rule change 60-01-16 . Motion passed unanimously.

60-01-16 Part 2: Professionals Lifetime Membership

A motion and a second were made to approve part two of rule change 60-01-16

Favor: Jesse Chase, Brett Walters, Fred Thomsson, Shane Brown, Casey Hinton, Sebastian Petroll, Beth Richards

Opposed: Mike Deer, Kelly Hedges, Rosanne Sternberg, Dave Belson, Joao Marcos, Lee Foster, Brian Welman, Kim Maharaj, Larry Barker, Shannon Rafacz, Barbara Brookshire, Rick Ramsey, Becky Hanson, Josh Visser, Kelli Brummett, Frank Costantini, Guy Vernon, Joe Wolfe

Motion failed 7-18.

Jody Brainard joined the meeting at 12:30 p.m.

61-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 61-01-16. Motion passed unanimously.

61-02-16

No action was taken on rule change 61-02-16.

61-03-16

No action was taken on rule change 61-03-16.

62-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve to approve rule change 62-01-16. Open to discussion.

A motion and a second were made to amend the original motion to have all leases end on 12/31 on a calendar year.

Favor: Casey Hinton, Shane Brown, Kelly Hedges, Rosanne Sternberg, Dave Belson, Brett Walters, Joao Marcos, Lee Foster, Brian Welman, Kim Maharaj, Larry Barker, Shannon Rafacz, Barbara Brookshire, Rick Ramsey, Josh Visser, Fred Thomsson, Jesse Chase, Kelli Brummett, Frank Costantini, Beth Richards, Joe Wolfe, Guy Vernon

Opposed: Rick Ramsey, Becky Hanson, Sebastian Petroll, Mike Deer

Amendment passed 22-4.

Original Motion:

Favor: Casey Hinton, Shane Brown, Kelly Hedges, Rosanne Sternberg, Dave Belson, Brett Walters, Joao Marcos, Lee Foster, Brian Welman, Kim Maharaj, Shannon Rafacz, Barbara Brookshire, Rick Ramsey, Josh Visser, Fred Thomsson, Jesse Chase, Kelli Brummett, Frank Costantini, Joe Wolfe, Becky Hanson, Mike Deer

Opposed: Larry Barker, Sebastian Petroll, Beth Richards, Guy Vernon

Original Motion passed 22-4.

A motion and a second were made to make an amendment to change the fee to \$100 and to add it to the fees policy. Motion passed unanimously.

64-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 64-01-16. Motion passed unanimously.

65-01-16

No action was taken on rule change 65-01-16.

66-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 66-01-16.

Favor: Jesse Chase, Guy Vernon, Beth Richards, Barbara Brookshire.

Opposed: Mike Deer, Casey Hinton, Shane Brown, Kelly Hedges, Rosanne Sternberg, Dave Belson, Brett Walters, Joao Marcos, Lee Foster, Brian Welman, Kim Maharaj, Larry Barker, Shannon Rafacz, Rick Ramsey, Becky Hanson, Josh Visser, Fred Thomsson, Sebastian Petroll, Kelli Brummett, Frank Costantini, Joe Wolfe

Motion failed 4-21.

66-02-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 66-02-16. Motion passed unanimously.

67-01-16

No action was taken on rule change 67-01-16.

68-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 68-01-16. Motion passed unanimously.

69-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 69-01-16. Open to discussion.

A motion and a second were made to table the discussion on rule change 69-01-16 to a later time. Motion passed unanimously.

69-02-16

No action was taken on rule change 69-02-16.

72-01-16

A motion was made to approve rule change 72-01-16. Motion failed.

73-01-16

No action was taken on rule change 73-01-16.

74-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 74-01-16. Motion passed unanimously.

77-01-16

No action was taken on rule change 77-01-16.

80-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 80-01-16. Motion passed unanimously,

81-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 81-01-16. Motion passed unanimously.

81-02-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 81-02-16. Motion passed unanimously.

82-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 82-01-16.

Favor: Brett Walters, Joao Marcos, Dave Belson, Kelli Brummett, Rosanne Sternberg, Kelly Hedges, Fred Thomsson, Casey Hinton, Shane Brown, Mike Deer, Sebastian Petroll, Shannon Rafacz, Barbara Brookshire, Larry Barker, Lee Foster, Beth Richards, Joe Wolfe, Kim Maharaj, Brian Welman, Josh Visser, Frank Costantini

Opposed: Rick Ramsey, Guy Vernon, Jesse Chase, Becky Hanson

Motion passed 21-4.

84-01-16

No action was taken on rule change 84-01-16.

89-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 89-01-16.

Favor: Shannon Rafacz, Joao Marcos, Jesse Chase, Lee Foster, Josh Visser

Opposed: Guy Vernon, Beth Richards, Brett Walters, Joao Marcos, Dave Belson, Kelli Brummett, Rosanne Sternberg, Kelly Hedges, Fred Thomsson, Casey Hinton, Shane Brown, Mike Deer, Sebastian Petroll, Barbara Brookshire, Larry Barker, Beth Richards, Joe Wolfe, Kim Maharaj, Brian Welman, Frank Costantini.

Motion failed 5-20.

89-02-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 89-02-16. Motion passed unanimously.

Break at 1:47 p.m. Reconvened at 2:01 p.m.

89-03-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 89-03-16. Motion passed unanimously.

90-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 90-01-16.

Favor: Mike Deer, Casey Hinton, Kelly Hedges, Rosanne Sternberg, Dave Belson, Brett Walters, Joao Marcos, Lee Foster, Brian Welman, Kim Maharaj, Larry Barker, Shannon Rafacz, Barbara Brookshire, Rick Ramsey, Becky Hanson, Josh Visser, Jesse Chase, Kelli Brummett, Frank Costantini, Joe Wolfe, Guy Vernon, Beth Richards

Opposed: Fred Thomsson, Sebastian Petroll, Shane Brown

Motion passed 22-3.

99-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 99-01-16W. Motion passed unanimously.

99-02-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 99-02-16. Open to discussion.

A motion and a second were made to amend the rule to reflect the same changes as the non pro lease rule. Amendment passed unanimously.

Original motion passed unanimously.

100-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 100-01-16. Motion passed unanimously.

104-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 104-01-16. Motion passed unanimously.

112-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 112-01-16. Motion passed unanimously.

117-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 117-01-16. Open to discussion.

A motion and a second were made to amend the original motion to accept the task force's recommendation.

Favor: Mike Deer, Casey Hinton, Shane Brown, Kelly Hedges, Rosanne Sternberg, Dave Belson, Brett Walters, Joao Marcos, Brian Welman, Kim Maharaj, Larry Barker, Shannon Rafacz, Barbara Brookshire, Rick Ramsey, Becky Hanson, Josh Visser, Fred Thomsson, Sebastian Petroll, Jesse Chase, Kelli Brummett, Frank Costantini, Joe Wolfe, Guy Vernon, Beth Richards

Opposed: Lee Foster

Motion passed 24-1.

A motion and a second were made to table the vote on the original motion for a later discussion to get the correct verbiage. Motion passed unanimously.

117-02-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 117-02-16.

Favor: Kelly Hedges, Dave Belson, Brett Walters, Joao Marcos, Brian Welman, Kim Maharaj, Larry Barker, Shannon Rafacz, Barbara Brookshire, Rick Ramsey, Josh Visser, Fred Thomsson, Sebastian Petroll, Jesse Chase, Frank Costantini,

Opposed: Kelli Brummett, Rosanne Sternberg, Shane Brown, Casey Hinton, Mike Deer, Becky Hanson, Lee Foster, Joe Wolfe, Guy Vernon, Beth Richards

Motion passed 15-10.

118-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 118-01-16. Open to discussion.

A motion and a second were made to amend the original motion to include verbiage “going to and coming out of rollback with stop and back.”

Amendment passed unanimously. Original motion passed unanimously.

119-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 119-01-16.

Favor: Mike Deer, Casey Hinton, Shane Brown, Kelly Hedges, Rosanne Sternberg, Dave Belson, Brett Walters, Joao Marcos, Lee Foster, Brian Welman, Kim Maharaj, Larry Barker, Shannon Rafacz, Barbara Brookshire, Rick Ramsey, Becky Hanson, Josh Visser, Fred Thomsson, Jesse Chase, Kelli Brummett, Frank Costantini, Joe Wolfe, Guy Vernon, Beth Richards

Opposed: Sebastian Petroll

Motion passed 24-1.

123-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 123-01-16. Motion passed unanimously.

125-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 125-01-16 Motion passed unanimously.

129-01-16

No action was taken on rule change 129-01-16.

149-01-16

No action was taken on rule change 149-01-16.

153-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 153-01-16.

Favor: Casey Hinton

Opposed: Mike Deer, Shane Brown, Kelly Hedges, Rosanne Sternberg, Dave Belson, Brett Walters, Joao Marcos, Lee Foster, Brian Welman, Kim Maharaj, Larry Barker, Shannon Rafacz,

Barbara Brookshire, Rick Ramsey, Becky Hanson, Josh Visser, Fred Thomsson, Sebastian Petroll, Jesse Chase, Kelli Brummett, Frank Costantini, Joe Wolfe, Guy Vernon, Beth Richards

Motion failed 1-24.

154-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 154-01-16. Open to discussion.

A motion and a second were made to amend the rule to read that at all A and AA events every horse has to be checked; but at all B level events and down, the horses could be checked at random.

Favor: Sebastian Petroll, Becky Hanson, Rick Ramsey, Josh Visser, Lee Foster, Shannon Rafacz, Barbara Brookshire, Larry Barker, Casey Hinton, Mike Deer, Joao Marcos, Jesse Chase, Guy Vernon, Beth Richards, Joe Wolfe

Opposed: Frank Costantini, Brett Walters, Kelli Brummett, Rosanne Sternberg, Shane Brown, Dave Belson, Kelly Hedges, Brian Welman, Kim Maharaj, Fred Thomsson,

Amendment passed 15-10.

Original Motion:

Favor: Sebastian Petroll, Fred Thomsson, Larry Barker, Mike Deer, Casey Hinton, Shane Brown, Brian Welman

Opposed: Guy Vernon, Beth Richards, Joe Wolfe, Frank Costantini, Brett Walters, Kelli Brummett, Rosanne Sternberg, Dave Belson, Kelly Hedges, Kim Maharaj, Becky Hanson, Rick Ramsey, Josh Visser, Lee Foster, Shannon Rafacz, Barbara Brookshire, Mike Deer, Joao Marcos, Jesse Chase, Guy Vernon, Beth Richards

Motion failed 7-21.

158-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 158-01-16. Open to discussion.

A motion and a second were made to amend the original motion to strike out the “more than” as long as one judge has called the penalty. Open to discussion. Call to question. Amendment passed unanimously.

Call to question on the original motion. Motion passed unanimously.

167-01-16

Section 1:

No action was taken on rule change 167-01-16 section 1.

Section 2:

A motion and a second were made to approve all of Section 2 of the submitted rule changes. Motion passed unanimously.

69-01-16

Favor: Shannon Rafacz, Rick Ramsey, Casey Hinton, Sebastian Petroll, Barbara Brookshire

Opposed: Shane Brown, Kelly Hedges, Rosanne Sternberg, Dave Belson, Brett Walters, Joao Marcos, Brian Welman, Kim Maharaj, Larry Barker, Becky Hanson, Josh Visser, Fred Thomsson, Jesse Chase, Kelli Brummett, Frank Costantini, Joe Wolfe, Beth Richards, Guy Vernon, Lee Foster, Mike Deer

Motion failed 5-20.

117-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 117-01-16.

Favor: Casey Hinton, Shane Brown, Kelly Hedges, Rosanne Sternberg, Dave Belson, Brett Walters, Joao Marcos, Brian Welman, Kim Maharaj, Larry Barker, Shannon Rafacz, Barbara Brookshire, Rick Ramsey, Becky Hanson, Josh Visser, Fred Thomsson, Sebastian Petroll, Jesse Chase, Kelli Brummett, Frank Costantini, Joe Wolfe

Opposed: Beth Richards, Guy Vernon, Mike Deer, Lee Foster

Motion passed 21-4.

New Business:

Judges Committee

Jody Brainard addressed the Board regarding the NRHA Judges Committee. He also answered any questions concerning the judge's program and judges schools.

NRHA Event Judge Nomination & Selection Policy

Gary Carpenter discussed the need to revise the policy due to the constant discussion of our selection of judges. The plan will be to have a revised policy to be discussed at the next meeting.

Break at 3:36 p.m. Reconvened at 4:12 p.m.

Financial Report, Ctd. Executive Session

Medications Policy

Chief Financial Officer John Foy presented the preliminary medications budget options and Megan Lundquist discussed how the medications' testing is done in Europe and our current plan is to implement a similar format here.

A motion and a second were made to approve a \$7 medication fee per horse per event and the testing outline as presented. Open to discussion.

Break at 5:09 p.m. Reconvened at 5:23 p.m.

2016 Proposed Rule Changes, Ctd.

54-01-16

A motion and a second were made to approve rule change 54-01-16. Open to discussion.

A motion and a second were made to amend the rule change to read that Part A will be put into the policy. Open to discussion.

A motion and a second were made to approve the amendment. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion and a second were made to amend the rule change to clarify the verbiage to read that non-NRHA approved classes will be exempt from the medications fee. Motion passed unanimously.

Original Motion of \$7 Medications fee per horse per event: Motion passed 19-8.

NRHA Affiliates

Affiliate Applications

Megan Lundquist presented two affiliate applications from the Polish Reining Horse Association and the Argentina Reining Horse Association. A motion and a second were made to approve both affiliates. Motion passed unanimously.

ANECR Request

A motion and a second were made to approve the date request change. Motion passed unanimously.

2016 Proposed Bylaw Changes

Rick Clark stressed the importance of voting on the proposed Bylaw changes for 2016 and mentioned that the meeting tomorrow would begin at 7:30 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

August 19, 2015

Present: President Rick Clark, Vice President Mike Deer, Casey Hinton, Shane Brown, Kelly Hedges, Rosanne Sternberg, Dave Belson, Brett Walters, Joao Marcos, Lee Foster, Brian Welman, Kim Maharaj, Larry Barker, Shannon Rafacz, Barbara Brookshire, Rick Ramsey, Becky Hanson, Josh Visser, Fred Thomsson, Sebastian Petroll, Jesse Chase, Kelli Brummett, Frank Costantini

Conference Call: Joe Wolfe, Guy Vernon, Beth Richards

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Call to Order

President Rick Clark called the meeting to order at 7:33 a.m. A quorum was established.

Commissioner's Report

IT Update

A motion and a second were made to approve the IT project. Motion passed unanimously.

Building Update

Commissioner Gary Carpenter gave an update on the new office building. There has been a lot of progress made and move in is still scheduled for October. There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony during the Futurity.

Committee Recommendations

Shane Brown and Todd Branson presented two recommendations from the Professionals Committee.

A motion and a second were made to reallocate the percentage of the professional's funds to include 10% now and the ability to change the amount down the line. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion and a second were made to make the Professionals fund a Board designated fund. Motion passed unanimously.

Fees Policy

Jamie Jones presented the 2016 Fees policy, which had no changes in the prices but the format of the policy was changed. However, with the recent changes to the fees for competition licenses, transfers, and affidavits, and with the lease rules passing, the policy would have to be updated to reflect these changes.

A motion and a second were made to approve the 2016 fees policy with the updated prices. Motion passed unanimously.

Nomination Conditions

Samantha Oldfield presented the 2016 Nomination Conditions. A motion and a second were made to remove the refund from the conditions. Motion passed 26-1.

A motion and a second were made to approve the new handling, administration fee and the removal of the online processing fee for the North American Nomination Conditions only. The nomination Conditions will be updated to adjust the new competition license fees.

Motion passed unanimously.

Break at 8:39 a.m. Reconvened at 8:49 a.m.

Events

2016 NRHA Futurity and Derby Conditions- Changes to Both Conditions

A motion and a second were made to allow refunds but with the administration fee of \$20 taken out. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion and a second were made to amend the conditions to eliminate the level 4 Open Prime Time in both events. Motion passed 19-5.

A motion and a second were made to amend the transfer fee to \$500. Motion passed 16-9.

2016 Futurity Conditions

Tiffany Gonzales presented clarifications and changes specifically in the Futurity Conditions. There was lots of discussion regarding the proposed changes.

A motion and a second were made to include the consolation round in the 2016 Futurity Conditions. Motion passed 25-1.

A motion and a second were made to leave the added Youth money at \$2000 and to move the \$5,000 from the First Time Non Pro Trainer to the Non Pro Masters. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion and a second were made to take the \$2,500 from the Open Rider Challenge and put it back in the Open Level 4 purse.

A motion and a second were made to amend the original motion and to add the \$2,500 to the Youth purse instead.

The amendment and original motion both passed 20-7.

Break at 10:10 a.m. Reconvened at 10:18 a.m.

A motion and a second were made to table the discussion of the event retainage and entry fees.

A motion and a second were made to approve the 2016 Futurity Conditions with the approved amendments. Motion passed unanimously.

Derby Conditions

A motion and a second were made to table the discussion on the retainage and entry fees. Motion passed.

Mike Deer and Brett Walters left the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

2015 Futurity Judges for Approval-Executive Session

Brett Walters returned to the meeting at 10:52 a.m.

Eligibility

European Eligibility Policy

A motion and a second were made to approve the European Eligibility Policy for 2016. Motion passed unanimously.

Worldwide Eligibility Policy

Shannon Rafacz presented the proposed worldwide eligibility policy for 2016. A motion and a second were made to approve the policy as submitted. Motion passed 24-1.

A motion and a second were made to approve the category 1 eligibility as presented. Motion passed 24-1.

Rule Change Timeline Proposal

Christa Morris presented the new proposed timeline for rule changes. A motion and a second were made to approve the new rule change timeline. Motion passed unanimously.

Election procedures

Christa Morris presented the proposed changes to the election procedures. A motion and a second were made to only approve the verbiage, “As these procedures can be changed at any time, please refer to the Members Only section of nrha.com for the most up-to-date and accurate version.” Motion passed unanimously.

Sire and Dam Policy

A motion and a second were made to approve the Sire and Dam Policy. Motion passed unanimously.

2016 AQHA Showdown

Gary Carpenter presented the proposal from AQHA for the 2016 AQHA Showdown. A motion and a second were made to approve the proposal with the stipulation that they secure a sponsor. Motion passed unanimously.

Business Development Update

Todd Barden gave an update on NRHA Corporate Partners including the latest addition, Bluebonnet Feeds.

RHSF Update

Frank Costantini presented the RHSF update and discussed plans for the Futurity including the Lyle Lovett concert and the 50 for 50 Campaign.

Break at 11:46 a.m. Reconvened at 11:57 a.m.

NRHA Task Forces

President Rick Clark appointed a new task force whose purpose is to further research a single payout system. The new Payout Task Force would be chaired by Jesse Chase and the members would include: Todd Crawford, Mike Jeffcoat, Craig Johnson, and Amanda Brumley. Nick Cornelissens and Christa Morris would serve as staff liaisons.

A motion and a second were made to approve the new task force. Motion passed unanimously.

President Rick Clark then officially disbanded the Judges, Judges Working Environment, and Medications Task Forces.

Winter Meeting Discussion

Shianne Megel discussed the proposed plan to host the 2016 Winter Meeting in Oklahoma City. Bids were received from various hotels but the Skirvin was the top choice for the dates of January 20-23. A motion and a second were made to approve the winter meeting in Oklahoma City for 2016. Motion Passed 16-5.

NRHA Staff left the meeting.

Protests and Investigations Update- Executive Session

Executive Session

Casey Hinton, Brian Welman, Rick Ramsey, and Megan Lundquist left the meeting.

Social Media Policy Discussion

NRHA staff, Casey Hinton, Brian Welman, and Rick Ramsey joined the meeting.

Gary Carpenter discussed the need to have a social media policy for the Executive Committee and Board of Directors. He had discussed this with Counsel and will have a policy to review at the January meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 12:51 p.m.