

**NATIONAL REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION  
European Major Events Committee Minutes  
Oklahoma State Fair Park/Conference Call  
May 1, 2017**

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Members Present: Paulus Beurskens, Roberto Cuoghi, Manuel Bonzano (via conference call), Francois Zurcher (via conference call), Markus Schopfer (via conference call)

Members Not Present: Chuck Klipfel

Staff Present: Samantha Oldfield, Simona Diale

Guests: Jesse Chase

**Call to Order**

Meeting called to order at 9:12am CST.

**2017 European Futurity Financials**

It was inquired if the financials from the 2017 European Futurity can be shared amongst them. It was agreed this would be done.

**2017 European Derby Payout Structure**

It was asked if the newly passed payout structure for the 2017 European Derby could be reviewed. Several recommendations for the conditions for the Derby were made. Recommendations are as follows:

- 1) To use the leveling system of eligibility to run the first go and take your finalists based off of your numbers that you have set in the conditions. For the finals then run as a clean slate.
- 2) Allow the highest scores from the first go to run in a separate section (an evening performance of sorts)
- 3) Provide a guaranteed paycheck to the winner (a set number) but do not set it so high that 2nd place is a large difference or that there is very little to give to the other placements
- 4) Use a set number of finalists to come back (hard numbers)

*Rosanne Sternberg joins at 10:05am*

The committee decided to ask the management group to adopt these recommendations into the conditions. The committee recommended that a webinar or conference call be put together to review this payout structure and the 2017 NRHA European Derby conditions with representatives from all European affiliates so they might explain it to their members. NRHA staff agreed to set this up once the conditions are final.

*Rosanne Sternberg leaves 10:15am*

NRHA staff recommended bringing together the creator of the payout structure with the management team of the 2017 NRHA European Derby and the software engineer of the show management program to make sure everyone was on the same page.

*Jesse Chase leaves 10:20am*

### **2018 European Championship Conditions**

Updated 2018 European Championship conditions were presented with a memo on the updates that were to be made, including the update to the qualification timeline. The committee discussed and reviewed the conditions and changes set forth. A motion was made to accept the conditions with the proposed changes provided they do not go against any relationships NRHA has with other organizations. This motion was seconded. All were in favor of approving them.

### **2017 European Derby Conditions**

After reviewing the 2017 European Derby Conditions a motion is made to table the official approval until the final conditions are presented. This motion was seconded and all were in favor.

### **2018 and On European Derby Location**

The committee discussed the options for the location of the NRHA European Derby in the future. After much discussion it was proposed to hold the 2018 European Derby in Kreuth, Germany, the 2019 European Derby with Americana in Germany, and potentially the 2020 European Derby with Equita, Lyon dependent upon how the 2017 European Derby goes. It was proposed that a few members of the committee speak with the management team in question to see if they are available and willing to run the event, and with the location to see the availability of time, and will return to the committee with their answers.

The committee supported this recommendation and after hearing the findings will make their official recommendation to the European Council.

Meeting adjourned at 11:03am CST.