

NATIONAL REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION
Executive Committee Meeting
Ft. Worth, Texas
February 8, 2017

Approved 5/1/17

Present: President Mike Deer, Vice President Mike Hancock, Rosanne Sternberg, Casey Hinton, Brian Welman

Staff: Commissioner Gary Carpenter, Assistant Commissioner and Chief Communications Officer Christa Morris-Stone, Chief Financial Officer John Foy, Senior Director of Events Shianne Megel, Manager of Member & Show Services Liz Kelsey

Call to Order:

President Mike Deer called the meeting to order at 9:59 a.m.

Consent Agenda

A motion and a second were made to approve as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report

Chief Financial Officer John Foy presented the financial report.

Commissioner's Report

Commissioner Gary Carpenter provided a verbal update on NRHA operations.

2017 Calendar

The 2017 meeting calendar was discussed and it was decided that the next meetings would be held May 1-2 and August 17-18 in Oklahoma City.

Brian Welman joined the meeting at 11:18 am.

New Business- Task Forces

There was discussion that a unique task force was needed to focus on Futurity entries, nominations and payouts. There would need to be 7-9 members of the Task Force with Shianne Megel and Samantha Oldfield to serve as staff liaisons with assistance from John Foy. The suggested members and official charge of the Task Force would be presented to the Board for approval at the meeting on Saturday. The Task Force would need to meet in March or April to be able to report back to the Board in May. The Aged Events Committee would be directed to not address the 2018 Futurity conditions until the report from Task Force had been provided.

Break for lunch at 11:54 am. and then reconvened.

European Summit Recap

Mike Hancock and Rosanne Sternberg gave an update on the European Summit held in January in Belgium.

A motion and a second were made for the NRHA staff to complete stewarding the process of restructuring the European Affiliate Council at the April 1 meeting and for staff to determine the best date to serve as a deadline to have this new structure implemented.

A motion and a second were made to amend the original motion to have the current NRHA Board members representing Europe to have the authority to make decisions for the European Affiliate Council until it is restructured.

Amendment and original motion passed unanimously.

2018 Rule Change Proposals

The Executive Committee reviewed the proposed rule changes for 2018.

Committee Members for Approval

A motion and a second were made to approve the members as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

2017 Handbook Clarifications

Freestyle Clarification: A motion and a second were made to approve as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Green Reiner Clarification: A motion and a second were made to officially recommend to the Board to utilize the youth point scale and to strike the verbiage at the bottom of the 2017 Eligibility Policy.

Medications Policy Clarification: A motion and a second were made to recommend to the Board to approve. Motion passed unanimously.

Clarification on Category 7 Earnings Caps: conversation tabled.

New Business

Christa Morris-Stone reviewed several Board of Directors agenda topics including the Rules of Order, Regions and Elections Procedures, Judges Policies, and Resolution and Policy follow up.

Affiliates

There was consensus to not move forward with reviewing/approving China as an Affiliate at this time. A Memorandum of Understanding would be needed.

Executive Session

Meeting adjourned 3:32 pm.