

NATIONAL REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION

European Affiliate Council Minutes

2017 European Derby, Lyon, France

November 4, 2017

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Members Present: Roberto Cuoghi, Bernard Fonck, Rudi Kronsteiner, Paulus Beurskens, Birgitta Nolen (conference call), Agnes Csolle (conference call), Isabeau Rohde, Sari Hebert, Francois Zurcher, Rosanne Sternberg, Maik Bartmann, Adrian Motyka

Members Not Present: Tony Llarena, Ditte Poulsen, Seppo Perkioe

Staff Present: Samantha Oldfield, Simona Diale, Mike Deer

Guests Present: Markus Schopfer, Gisela Haas, Jesse Chase

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 9:22am.

Approval of Minutes

After review a motion was made to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

2018 European Derby and European Affiliate Championships

The bids for the host of the 2018 European Derby and European Affiliate Championships were reviewed. Markus mentioned that one of the bids may no longer apply as the event had changed in format. Discussion was made with Roberto about who would be the financial risk holder if IRHA did in fact take on the event. Roberto made a correction that IRHA in the person of Roberto Cuoghi is responsible for the financial risk and additional prize money for the 2018 European Derby and European Championships. After this is discussed a motion is made to approve the proposal from Roberto and IRHA to host the 2018 European Derby and European Championships in Germany. This motion is seconded and passes unanimously.

Birgitta joins via conference call 9:45am

Update on the 2018 European Championship Qualification Timeline

A reminder is made on what the qualification timeline has been changed to for the Championships so that everyone is on the same page and aware so they can communicate to the members of their country.

2019 European Derby

A reminder is made to the Council of the decision to host the 2019 European Derby with Americana in Germany.

Future European Derby Locations

The Council feels that they need more time to plan out the future of the European Derby. A motion was made to not host future European Championships with the European Derby and European Futurity, with the exception of 2018. This motion was seconded and passed unanimously. The Council would like more time to think on the future of the Derby.

European Youth Committee

The European Youth Committee requested that each European affiliate put forward 150 Euro towards the European youth year-end awards in Europe. They would like to ask the RHF to match the money made. Each Council member will leave the meeting and inquire with their affiliates and their treasurer how they feel on this and come to the next meeting ready to vote. Meanwhile Paulus will work with staff to put together a proposal to the RHF Board for this request. The vote for the affiliates will happen at the next meeting in November at the 2017 North American Futurity and Affiliate Championship Show.

Bylaw Changes

The Council reviewed the updated Bylaws with the changes that were presented from staff. A motion was made to accept the changes. This motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Medications Update

The Council went into Executive Session and all guests were asked to step out of the room until the completion of this agenda item.

Nomination Conditions

NRHA Staff gave an update on how the new conditions change of 8 year-olds being able to compete and 4 year-olds no longer being able to compete in the European Derby and how this will affect the purse. If the nomination program ever was to end, the final European Event would be without a purse funded by the Nomination Program due to the change. The Council agrees to allow NRHA Staff to put together the verbiage they would like in the conditions to help make future program custodians aware. NRHA Staff will put this together and send to the Council for final approval.

2018 Meeting Schedule

The Council reviews a list of designated locations and events to have in-person Council Meetings at. The list will be finalized in November at the next Council meeting. They would like to have a Council meeting at the 2018 European Summit and keep meetings to each European Major Event, Summit, and North American Futurity.

Rule Changes

A reminder was made to the Council that rule changes are due December 15 if there are any that they wish to put forward.

BOD Delegates

Rosanne Sternberg and Paulus Beurskens were put forward by the EEB in Switzerland to be the BOD delegates from the European Council. A motion was made to accept these two as the BOD delegates. This motion was seconded and passes unanimously.

2018 European Affiliate Summit

A reminder was made that the 2018 European Affiliate Summit will be January 14-16, 2018 at the Crowne Plaza Brussels-Le Palace in Brussels, Belgium. NRHA Staff asked that each affiliate send their two representatives to Samantha Oldfield by November 15th.

2018 Show Calendar

A reminder was given to each affiliate to please send Samantha Oldfield the dates of their 2018 shows so that she can put together a calendar to present at the next meeting in November at the 2017 North American Futurity and Affiliate Championship Show.

Next Meeting

A reminder was given that the next meeting is at the 2017 North American Futurity and Affiliate Championship Show in Oklahoma City at the end of November. An exact date and time will be provided shortly by NRHA Staff.

Payback System Update

Jesse Chase gave an update on how the payback system worked at the 2017 European Derby.

Meeting adjourned 11:17am.