

**NATIONAL REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION**  
**Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**Denton, Texas**  
**February 5, 2020**

*Approved 3/16/20*

**Present:** President Mike Hancock, Vice President Rick Clark, Shane Brown, Paulus Beurskens, Mark Blake, John Tague

**Staff:** Commissioner Gary Carpenter, Assistant Commissioner Christa Morris-Stone, Chief Financial Officer John Foy, Sr. Director of Corporate Relations & Communications Sammi Miller, Executive Assistant & Governance Coordinator Liz Kelsey

**Call to Order:**

President Mike Hancock called the meeting to order at 7:56 am

**Consent Agenda**

Consensus to approve as presented.

**Financial Report**

Chief Financial Officer John Foy presented the financial report, stating that the annual audit report was available online and there were no difficulties, problems or disagreements in the audit. He then reviewed the September financials, stating that nothing was raising red flags so far and they did not anticipate any surprises. He then reviewed the NRHA Futurity and Sales financials.

An update on the on the *Reiner* was also given, stating that the April issue would be the first one fully produced back in-house and that we hoped to see us break-even around December in the production cycle. Improvements made include the quality of paper, trim size, timeliness, and content development.

There was also discussion about the possibility of a formal performance review with Pro Management with the Finance/Audit Committee and/or NRHA Executive Committee to discuss topics such as areas of opportunity and risk, and to review statistics and analyze data.

**Commissioner's Report**

NRHA Commissioner Gary Carpenter gave an update on ReinerSuite, NRHA Statistics, and wildcards faced by NRHA over the last year such as FEI and The Run for a Million.

Paulus Beurskens then gave an update on the FEI Reining Technical Committee. The

NRHA FEI Task Force would continue to operate to review any proposals from FEI.

*Break and reconvened. Doug Carpenter and Frank Costantini joined the meeting.*

### **Purse Discussion**

Frank Costantini and Doug Carpenter gave a presentation to the executive committee with the goal to increase the NRHA Futurity purse.

A motion and a second were made to conceptually support a change in purse enhancement, and to form a task force that would create a set of objectives and timeline, and were to report back to the executive committee within 6-8 weeks.

Motion passed unanimously.

*Doug Carpenter and Frank Costantini left the meeting.*

### **Rule Change Proposals**

The process for rule change proposals was reviewed and the executive committee had an opportunity to discuss any of the proposals and ask questions.

### **2020 Calendar**

There was consensus to move forward with the proposed dates for the Spring and Summer board meetings.

### **Freestyle Selection Process**

Consensus to allow Pro Management (Cheryl Cody) to choose the participants.

### **Professional Committee Recommendations- Executive Session**

### **Hearing Body Nominations- Executive Session**

*Meeting adjourned.*