

**NATIONAL REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION
Judges Committee Meeting and Workshop Minutes
NRHA Office, OKC
January 15th and 16th, 2020**

Approved 2/8/2020

January 15th

Members Present: Ann Salmon Anderman, Mike McEntire, Brett Walters, Bob Kail, Dean Latimer, Craig Schmursal, Eugenio Latorre, Maik Bartmann, Tim McQuay, Bub Poplin, Filippo Masi, Doug Allen, Nick Baar, Kelly Sapp, Margaret Fuchs

Guests Present: Jody Brainard

Members Not Present: Richard Pokluda, Drake Johnson

Staff Present: Kristen Liesman

Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Ann Salmon Anderman at 12:00 pm.

Strengths & Weaknesses

The committee reviewed the strengths, weaknesses, and threats of the committee and judging that were outlined at the 2018 Judges Committee Workshop. The committee went on to discuss what they had done well and what needed more work. The committee decided that there has been much improvement and work done on what was believed to be the weaknesses of the judging program.

Rating System- Executive Session

The committee went on to finalize the rating judges. The list of current judges was reviewed. The list of proposed ratings will be presented to the NRHA Board at their February meeting.

Major Event Review

Discussion regarding the review program for judges after a major event. Judges from major events will be able to further strengthen their judging skills by reviewing their work from major events.

A list of all AA&A shows was reviewed. The review process was discussed in detail and moving forward will take on a new format. The committee selected 13 shows for 2020 that will be reviewed. After each review a conference call will take place between committee members and the chair judges from the event.

The committee went on to discuss the 2019 NRHA Futurity statistics. Statistics were presented on the frequency each maneuver score was used by maneuver and by judge for both the go rounds and the finals. It has been asked that the committee work on these numbers and statistics for additional shows in 2020.

Adjourned for the evening at 5:25 pm.

January 16th

Members Present: Ann Salmon Anderman, Mike McEntire, Brett Walters, Bob Kail, Dean Latimer, Craig Schmersal, Eugenio Latorre, Maik Bartmann, Tim McQuay, Bub Poplin, Filippo Masi, Doug Allen, Nick Baar, Kelly Sapp, Margaret Fuchs

Guests Present: Jody Brainard

Members Not Present: Richard Pokluda, Drake Johnson

Staff Present: Kristen Liesman, Samantha Oldfield

Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Ann Salmon Anderman at 9:08 am

Reviewed Changes to Schools

Changes made to 2020/2021 schools include an interview process during the school as well as changes made to the testing procedures on Sunday morning.

Changes were also made to the written test for 2020 as discussed at the 2019 workshop. The written test now includes 100 true/false questions.

A proposed change to retesting procedures was made. The proposed change will be presented to the Board for approval in February.

Rule Changes/Clarifications for 2021

The committee reviewed and discussed the rule changes that are going before the Board for 2021.

Judging Runs

The committee went on to judge runs for teaching material to be used for 2020/2021 schools.

Lunch is taken from 11:45-1:00 pm.

Major Penalty Review

The committee then discussed the 5-point penalty in regards to a horse dropping to its knees or hocks. The committee will continue to use the videos collected to help teach when this penalty should be called.

Break of gait penalties were also discussed. Video examples were shown from the futurity of all that were reviewed in the go rounds in addition the end camera view was available on several examples.

It is believed that the end camera video should be available to all exhibitors if it is used to make a call on a review. Staff will work with Equine Promotions to help facilitate this request.

Non-Approved Shows

The committee discussed the policy on NRHA Judges judging non approved shows. A recommendation was made to put forward a rule change to hold show management at fault in addition to the judges.

A request was made by a judge to be allowed to judge a non-approved show internationally. The committee reviewed the request and the request was denied.

Equipment Exemptions

Requests for special equipment exemptions from exhibitors were presented to the committee and voted upon.

2020 Judges Applicant Seminar

Applicants for the 2020 applicant seminar were reviewed and approved.

2020 Judges Schools

The committee members teaching the January school met to discuss a game plan for the school the three days to follow.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm