

NATIONAL REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION
Board of Directors Conference Call Minutes
July 2, 2020

Approved 8/3/20

Present: President Mike Hancock, Vice President Rick Clark, John Tague, Ed Bricker, Bub Poplin, Peter Defreitas, Mark Blake, Jeanine Kern, Paulus Beurskens, Shane Brown, Brett Walters, Rosanne Sternberg, Ginger Schmersal, Ann Salmon Anderman, Joao Marcos, Carol Ivey, Tim Anderson

Staff: Commissioner Gary Carpenter, Assistant Commissioner Christa Morris-Stone, Chief Financial Officer John Foy, Executive Assistant & Governance Coordinator Liz Kelsey, Manager of Youth & Professional Programs Sara Honegger, Cheryl Cody

Absent: Ruben Pacheco, Dallas Schwerdt

Call to Order:

President Mike Hancock called the meeting to order at 11:04 am.

NRHA Derby Recap

Chief Financial Officer John Foy shared that the Derby was successful financially and there was a possibility that there will be a minimum loss (least amount ever) or first time ever in the black. However, he reminded everyone of the “big picture,” financially.

Cheryl Cody shared that this was the largest Derby ever with a record purse of over 1.1 million, largest number of stalls with about 1,430, 820 horses entered, and about 637 riders competing.

Overall, the Derby received extremely positive feedback, including that it was the best air quality in the Super Barn, ever. She welcomed any questions, concerns, or feedback from the board.

World Title

A motion and a second were made that the world title be reinstated for 2020 with the original qualifying conditions and rules as written in the handbook.

Motion passed.

An amendment to the original motion was made and seconded to allow the NRHA Executive Committee to determine how to handle the awards, as it relates to the financial cost and who would be responsible.

Motion passed.

Consensus that Top Twenty recognition would continue per normal.

A motion and a second were made that the NRHA Executive Committee would also determine how to handle the Top Twenty awards as they relate to the financial cost and who would be responsible.

Motion passed unanimously.

ARCs/NAAC & Affiliate Committee Recommendation

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

Southeast ARC

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

FEI Update- Executive Session

State Fair Update

Plans for the 2020 NRHA Futurity are continuing to move forward, with plans to make special accommodations. The two biggest concerns at the moment were the trade show and seating in the coliseum. The State Fair was very complimentary of how NRHA handled the Derby and they were confident the Futurity would be just as, if not more, successful.

August Board Meeting

A decision would be made within 7-10 days regarding the August board meeting and whether or not it would be moved to a virtual format.

Meeting adjourned at 11:56 am.