

**NATIONAL REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION**  
**Board of Directors Conference Call Minutes**  
**March 26, 2020**

*Approved 4/28/20*

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

**Absent:** Ruben Pacheco, Dallas Schwerdt

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

**Call to Order:**

President Mike Hancock called the meeting to order at 2:06 pm and offered thoughts and prayers to those affected by the Coronavirus pandemic.

**Office Update/ReinerSuite**

NRHA Commissioner Gary Carpenter announced that he anticipated the NRHA Office being closed for another few weeks, depending on what the State of Oklahoma decided to do. The timing of ReinerSuite was perfect, allowing the staff to all work remotely. The NRHA staff was staying connected through daily department conference calls, group chats, and staff were still coming to the office to sort and scan mail and print and ship out items. Practically speaking, the department was on same day processing for general processing.

**April Board meeting**

It was announced that the board would still convene via conference call on April 27, with just a condensed agenda.

**NRHA European Futurity and NRHA European Derby**

It was announced that the NRHA European Futurity will run concurrent with the Italian Futurity in November. There would be a slight overlap with our North American Futurity, but we don't think it will inhibit our entries

**NRHA Derby**

President Mike Hancock opened the discussion on the NRHA Derby and stated that we do not know what will happen in June in Oklahoma, that no one does. There are a lot of concerns over entries, and that we are looking at various contingency plans including combining with another show, splitting into two shows (East/West coast), making the Derby a no entry fee Derby (no added money from NRHA), etcetera. There would be further discussion during the April call.

There was consensus that anyone who pays their entries and the Derby is subsequently cancelled in June, they would be fully refunded. This information would be made public.

### **Awards Banquet**

A motion and a second were made to cancel the awards banquet at the NRHA Derby, and to ship all awards out, with special recognition to be held sometime during the NRHA Futurity.

It was determined that a press release, pending board approval, would be published in the immediate future.

### **World Championship**

There was consensus that since we have recommended that shows not be held, we would not recognize any earnings from March 14- May 1. This of course, would be subject to revision, depending on what happens with the pandemic.

### **NAAC Qualifying**

A motion and a second were made to waive the qualification for the 2020 Affiliate Regional Championships (ARCs). Affiliates won't be required to offer three qualifying shows nor provide designations and membership rosters. When a horse-and-rider pair qualifies for the Adequan® North American Affiliate Championship (NAAC) show at an ARC, that pair may not enter the class they qualified in at another ARC. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Financials (Cash /Line of credit/ SBA loan) -Executive Session**

*Meeting adjourned at 3:15 pm.*