

**National Reining Horse Association
Minutes of the Stewards Committee
Date December 8, 2022 at 2:00pm (CST)**

Pending Approval

Members Present: Ed Bricker – Committee Chair, Alessandro Dezzutto, Van Luse, Sebastian Petroll, Maik Bartmann, John Tague, Matt Lantz, Shane Brown, Ann Salmon Anderman

Guests: Cheryl Cody, Walt Larson (2022 Futurity Steward), Marlin Holrody (2022 Futurity Steward), Lyle Jackson (2022 Futurity Steward)

Staff: Sr. Director of Education and Officials Patti Carter, Education and Officials Coordinator Lillian Esterl-Byrne

I. Call To Order

Sr. Director of Education and Officials Patti Carter called the meeting to order at 2:03 P.M. CST

II. Recap of the 2022 NRHA Futurity

- a. Difficulties noted with contacting the on-call vet after hours
 - i. Suggestion was made to have multiple vets on call so that one can be reached in the case of an emergency
- b. There is a need for a better way to reach new buyers from the sale to ensure horses are being cared for after the drop of the gavel
 - i. More reliable contact information for buyers is necessary
- c. There is a need for a better way to handle draw conflicts during the show
 - i. Strategy used at the 2022 Futurity: those coaching with a conflict could move once and those riding were allowed to move twice
 - ii. The existence of a true conflict must be verified before a change can be made to the draw
 - iii. For next year, the non-pro entries will include a space to add their coach information to help avoid conflicts for coaches having back-to-back non-pro draws
- d. Contact information on stall cards
 - i. The stall list only included emails which was not enough for when owners needed to be contacted in the case of an emergency
 - ii. A suggestion was made to add phone number contact cards as part of the exhibitor packets for next year. Exhibitors will be encouraged to display the contact cards on the stalls so a responsible party can be contacted in the case of an emergency

- e. Cleanliness of the Fairgrounds
 - i. The fairgrounds staff was extremely limited which effected the upkeep of the cleanliness of the facilities during the event
 - 1. As a result, the fairgrounds will be changing their staffing protocols for major events especially over holidays
- f. Dogs
 - i. Issue with owners not cleaning up after their dogs
 - ii. Suggestion was made to include verbiage about enforcing leash restrictions prior to the event
 - 1. Pros will be contacted to pass the message along to their customers
- g. Complaint to institute a change to the warm up arena policy so that the last hour can be split between fencing and circling

III. Steward Request from Matt Lantz – *Executive Session*

- a. Motion made and seconded to approve Matt Lantz to steward The Run For A Million and the High Roller so long as his horse is not shown at either event – motion passed unanimously
 - i. Item will be sent to the Executive Committee for final approval

IV. The Performance Horseman Competition request to have Van Luse steward and check equipment

- a. The reining portion of The American Performance Horseman competition will consist of five horses
- b. Van Luse has been asked to serve in two capacities as a steward and equipment judge at the event
 - i. To avoid any potential conflicts and abide by NRHA guidelines, Van Luse will serve only in a stewarding capacity and an email will be sent out to find a volunteer bit judge to check bridles for five horses

Meeting adjourned at 3:07 P.M. CST