

**NATIONAL REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION
Judges Committee Meeting and Workshop Minutes
NRHA Office, OKC
January 12th and 13th, 2022**

Approved 2/16/2022

January 12th

Members Present: Dean Latimer, Kelly Sapp, Margaret Fuchs, Nick Baar, Todd Sommers, Sebastian Petroll, Bub Poplin, Doug Allen, Bob Kail, Matt Lantz, Pat Wickenheiser

Teaching Panel Members Present: Mike McEntire, Ollie Griffith

Members Not Present: Maik Bartmann

Staff Present: Kristen Liesman, Gary Carpenter

Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Dean Latimer at 1:00 pm.

Review of Morning Session

The committee discussed the runs and testing videos that were reviewed with a smaller group that morning.

Director of Education & Officials- Executive Session

Gary Carpenter gave an update on the search and specifics of the Director of Education & Officials position.

Rule Changes/Clarifications

Discussion was had on the current rule regarding the use of romals. A potential rule changes was proposed but tabled and decided that the best way to address this is through teaching at the schools.

The committee went on to discuss the rule requiring a monitor or 5 chair judges for concurrent sets of classes with \$50,000 added or more. A rule change proposal/clarification will be presented to the NRHA Executive Committee at the 2022 Winter Meeting.

Bluetooth devices and allowances were then discussed. The committee will submit a rule change proposal for 2024.

Conflicts while judging, specifically when 5 chair judges are used, were then discussed. An update to the policy was discussed and will be presented to the NRHA Board of Directors at the 2022 Winter Meeting.

The final rule/policy change discussed was related to judges who judge non approved reinings and what is allowed. The committee will submit a proposed policy change to the NRHA Board of Directors at the 2022 Winter Meeting.

Medications- Executive Session

Discussion was had on what the judge's role is regarding medications testing.

Major Event Scheduling

The committee then discussed the scheduling at all horse shows, mainly all major events.

It is believed that more work needs to be done to ensure that shows do not run over the allowed 12 hours a day.

Work will be done by members of the Judges Committee to work with members of the Aged Events Committee to review the NRHA Futurity & Derby schedule and make recommendations to help with the timing of the NRHA owned events.

Major Event Review

Discussion was had 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 shows from the prior year was reviewed. The committee has decided to take a new approach and review more A/AA shows instead of mainly AA/AAA events. The first two shows of the year were decided and scheduled.

Adjourned for the evening at 4:55 pm.

January 13th

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Teaching Panel Members Present: Mike McEntire, Ollie Griffith

Members Not Present: Maik Bartmann

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Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Dean Latimer at 9:00 am

Reviewed Changes to Schools

Changes made to 2022/2023 schools including new teaching videos and materials.

Changes were also made to the written test for 2022. The written test now includes 75 true/false questions.

Judging Runs

The committee went on to judge runs for testing material to be used for 2022/2023 schools.

Lunch is taken from 12:15-1:30 pm.

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Major Penalty Review

The committee then discussed the 5-point penalty regarding 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. A clarification specific to the penalty being applied to spins will be written and presented to the committee at the Winter Meeting and then emailed to all judges.

Tough reviewable penalties were then discussed and watched. These clips will continue to be collected and used for educational purposes at schools as well as for major event prep sessions.

Non-Approved Shows

Maik Bartmann called into the meeting to further discuss the proposed changes to the policy regarding non approved reinings.

2022 Judges Applicant Seminar

Applicants for the 2022 applicant seminar were reviewed and approved.

2022 Judges Schools

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

Meeting adjourned at 5:15 pm