

National Reining Horse Association
Minutes of the Professional Committee Part 1
Date July 14, 2022

Approved 7/22/2022

Members Present: Nick Valentine – Chair, Billy Williams, Casey Hinton, Kaci O’Rourke, Matt Palmer, Mirjam Stillo, Peter DeFreitas, Ryan Rushing, Shane Brown, Tracer Gilson

Not Present: Dan Huss, Hiram Resende Silva Filho, Kole Price

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

Guests: President Rick Clark, Vice President Mark Blake, Dr. Scott Stanley

I. Call To Order

Committee Chair, Nick Valentine called the meeting to order at 10:03 A.M. CST

II. New Drug Rule Discussion led by President Rick Clark, Vice President Mark Blake, Commissioner Gary Carpenter, and Dr. Scott Stanley

Changes to the current drug rule were presented and discussed. A secondary meeting will be held to discuss additional questions.

III. Introduce Lillian Esterl-Byrne

Tabled for future meeting

IV. ReinersRope Update from 2022 Derby

Tabled for future meeting

V. Update on Ed Harrison

Tabled for future meeting

VI. Year End Recognition for Riders in each level

Tabled for future meeting

VII. Miscellaneous Topics

Tabled for future meeting

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 A.M CST

National Reining Horse Association
Minutes of the Professional Committee Part 2
Date July 18, 2022

Approved 7/22/2022

Members Present: Nick Valentine – Chair, Billy Williams, Kaci O’Rourke, Kole Price, Mirjam Stillo, Peter DeFreitas, Ryan Rushing, Shane Brown

Not Present: Casey Hinton, Dan Huss, Hiram Resende Silva Filho, Matt Palmer, Tracer Gilson

Staff: Commissioner Gary Carpenter, Sr. Director of Education and Officials Patti Carter, Executive Assistant and Governance Coordinator Liz Kelsey, Sr. Director of International Affairs & Development Samantha Oldfield, Education and Officials Coordinator Lillian Esterl-Byrne

Guests: President Rick Clark, Vice President Mark Blake

I. Call To Order

Committee Chair, Nick Valentine called the meeting to order at 4:03 P.M. CST

II. Continued New Drug Rule Discussion led by President Rick Clark, Vice President Mark Blake, Commissioner Gary Carpenter, Sr. Director of International Affairs & Development Sam Oldfield

- a. Motion moved and seconded to support the proposed new medications penalty chart with the recommendations provided by the committee – Motion passed unanimously
 - i. Official written recommendations from the committee regarding the new medications penalty chart to be sent to Sr. Director of Education and Officials, Patti Carter. The recommendations will then be presented to the Executive Committee and Board of Directors during their August 2022 meeting

III. Introduce Lillian Esterl-Byrne

- a. Lillian Esterl-Byrne has been hired as the new Education and Officials Coordinator and will be assisting with the judges, stewards, and professionals committees

IV. ReinersRope Update from 2022 Derby

- a. Overall, considered a very successful event
- b. Results of brainstorm session for ways to improve the event in the future:
 - i. Possible new location for ReinersRope to provide more space for event activities

V. Update on Ed Harrison and

- a. Flowers will be sent on behalf of the NRHA professionals once a date for the funeral service is established

VI. Year End Recognition for Riders in each level

- a. Committee Suggestions:
 - i. Keeping a list of the leading riders in each level
 - 1. Arrange to publish a list in the Reiner of the Top 20 riders in each level for each year

Meeting adjourned at 4:53 P.M. CST