

**NATIONAL REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION
European Affiliate Council Meeting Minutes
Conference Call
October 25, 2022**

Approved 11/3/22

Members Present: Bernard Fonck, Rosanne Sternberg, Paulus Beurskens, Markus Schopfer, Maik Bartmann, Mariannick Domont-Perret, Isabeau Rohde, Adrian Motyka, Rudi Kronsteiner, Adrienne Speidel, Pietro Marseglia, Teija Pietila, Agnes Csolle, Annette Andersen, Malin Billberg

Guests Present: Simona Diale, Rick Clark, Mark Blake, Francesca Sternberg, Jessica Sternberg, George Sternberg, Wim Vervecken, Erik Verschueren, Sabrina Gujer, Muriel de Moubray

Members Not Present: Tony Llarena, Thierry Willigsecker, Eleuterio Arcese

Staff Present: Samantha Oldfield, Christa Morris Stone, Gary Carpenter

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 11:05AM CST/6:05 PM CET- 18:05.

The Council goes into executive session.

NRHA Board of Director Seats

Maik Bartmann joins.

NRHA European Council Bylaws

The Council moves out of executive session.

Francesca Sternberg, Jessica Sternberg, George Sternberg, Wim Vervecken, Sabrina Gujer, and Erik Verschueren join.

Opening Bids for the 2024-2025 European Affiliate Championships

Simona Diale, Muriel de Moubray join.

Samantha Oldfield informs the Council that she will open up the bidding process for proposals to host the 2024-2025 European Affiliate Championship.

Show Calendar

The Council reviews the calendar of tentative 2023 European event dates to determine if there are any potential conflicts.

Level 4 Open Payments

The Council clarifies the \$2,000 Open Level 4 sponsorship requirement to the 2023 NRHA European Futurity. It is clarified that if the rider lived and competed in Europe in 2022, and in 2023 is eligible for Open Level 4 only, then they would be responsible for providing the sponsorship. If they resided in the US in 2022 than they would not. If they reside outside of Europe and they come over to show, they will be responsible for paying.

Animal Welfare and Medications Policy

It is clarified that the NRHA European Animal Welfare and Medications Policy with the restriction of “no-allowance of romifidine” will be drafted and sent to the Board for official approval.

Fees Policy

Samantha Oldfield presents the 2023 Fees policy to the Council for their review and information.

Show Approval and Results Deadline Guidelines

Samantha Oldfield presents the show approval and results guidelines to the Council for their review and information.

August Board Meeting Follow-Up Reminders

Samantha Oldfield updates the Council on the items the Council put forward to the NRHA Board of Directors for their review at the August board meeting. The 2023 NRHA European Restricted Eligibility Policy is presented to the Council for their information, and the Council are updated that the Nomination Conditions splits for the European events were approved. The Council are made aware of the newly conjoined 4-year-old nomination program.

It is asked for the 2023 NRHA European Affiliate Summit that a discussion piece is prepared to discuss a similar concept for 5-year-olds in Europe.

IAP and Affiliate Renewal

Samantha Oldfield reminds the Council that affiliate renewal paperwork is due January 31st, unless the affiliate is an NAA in which it is due October 31st.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be at the 2023 NRHA European Affiliate Summit.

International Reception

The Council are invited to the international reception at the 2022 NRHA North American Futurity. If any Council members will be in attendance of the event it is asked that they notify Samantha Oldfield ASAP.

Questions are called for from the guests.

Meeting adjourned at 12:03 PM CST/ 7:03 PM CET- 19:03.