

NATIONAL REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION
NRHA Judges Committee/Teaching Pool Meeting Minutes
Virtual Zoom Call
April 3, 2023 at 1:00 P.M. (CST)

Approved 6-5-2023

Members Present: Committee Chair – Eugenio Latorre, Bob Kail, Bub Poplin, Doug Allen, Manuela Maiocchi, Margaret Fuchs, Matt Lantz, Pat Wickenheiser, Jared LeClair, Todd Sommers, Ollie Griffith

Members Not Present: Vice Chair – Mike McEntire, Sebastian Petroll, Craig Schmersal, Maik Bartmann

Staff Present: 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 1:00 P.M. (CST).

II. Approval of 3-29-2023 Meeting Minutes

- a. Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes from the 3-29-2023 Judges Committee meeting – motion passed unanimously.

III. Review of March 2023 Applicant Seminar Results

- a. The committee reviewed and discussed the results from the 2023 March Judge Applicant Seminar.
- b. The committee discussed requiring applicants to submit a headshot with their application for future seminars.
- c. The clinicians from the March seminar noted the importance and success of reinstating the use of one-on-one interviews during the seminar.
 - i. The scoring system for the interview will be improved and updated prior to the next seminar to make it more accurate.
- d. Motion made and seconded to submit all the seminar attendees with an 80.0% and above to the Board of Directors for approval to allow them to attend a judges school to test for judging privileges – motion passed unanimously.
- e. Motion made and seconded to submit the international applicants with a passing seminar score (80.0% and above) to the Board of Directors for approval of restricted judging privileges in their respective countries – motion passed unanimously.
 - i. If approved these individuals will have restricted judging privileges and will be required to recertify for their restricted privileges every two years.

IV. Review of March 2023 Judges School Results

- a. The committee reviewed and discussed the results from the 2023 March Judges School.
- b. Motion made and seconded to submit all judges from the 2023 March Judges School to the Board of Directors for final approval of renewal of judging privileges – motion passed unanimously.

V. Review of Changing Maneuver Score Proposal Memo for Board of Directors

- a. The committee reviewed and discussed the memo to the Board of Directors proposing that judges can change a maneuver score in a review situation on a trial basis for the 2023 NRHA Derby and Futurity.
 - i. Once finalized, the memo will be submitted to the Board of Directors.

VI. Discussion on Instituting a Second Applicant Seminar

- a. The committee discussed instituting a second applicant seminar in January 2024 to accommodate more judge applicants.
- b. Motion made and seconded to schedule an Applicant Seminar following the Judges Committee Workshop and prior to the January Judges School in 2024.
 - i. The seminar will be marketed on the NRHA Judges Program page as well as social media.

Meeting Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 1:40 P.M. (CST)