

**National Reining Horse Association
Minutes of the Stewards Committee
Date February 17, 2023, at 1:00pm (CST)**

Approved 3/28/2023

Members Present: Committee Chair – Van Luse, Vice Chair – Walt Larson, Lyle Jackson, Alessandro Dezzutto, Sandy Jirkovsky, Matt Lantz, Richard Pokluda

Members Not Present: Shane Brown (Ex Officio)

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

I. Call To Order

Committee Chair, Van Luse, called the meeting to order at 1:01 P.M. (CST)

II. Approval of Winter Meeting Minutes

- a. Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes from the 2023 Winter Meeting – motion passed unanimously.

III. Review Chair, Committee and Staff Liaison Responsibilities

- a. Committee members reviewed the Committee Member, Chair, and Staff Liaison position descriptions and responsibilities.

IV. Derby 2023 Steward Selection Discussion – *Executive Session*

- a. The committee reviewed and discussed the short list of available stewards for the 2023 Derby.
 - i. The final results of the ranking poll will be presented to the committee through email before being submitted to the Board of Directors for final approval.
 - ii. Stewards not selected to steward at the 2023 Derby will be invited to shadow at the event.

V. Update on Stewards Code of Ethics Working Document

- a. The working document has been sent to NHRA's legal counsel for review.

VI. Discussion on March Steward Applicant School

- a. Van Luse will be the primary clinician for the March 19th Steward Applicant School. Additional committee members will be recruited should a larger group of applicants sign up to attend the school.

VII. Other Topics

- a. Alessandro Dezzutto gave an overview of the steward applicant school hosted in Italy (2/2/2023 – 2/5/2023).
 - i. School results will be further reviewed by email once the results have been received at the NRHA Office.

VIII. Next Meeting Date

- a. March 28th, 2023 at 1:00 P.M.

Meeting adjourned at 2:01 P.M. CST