

**NATIONAL REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION**  
**Executive Committee Meeting minutes**  
**August 14, 2024**

*Approved 10/16/24*

**Present:** President Mark Blake, Vice President Mike Hancock, John Tague, Sebastian Petroll, Ed Bricker, Rob Curtis, Rick Clark

**Staff:** Commissioner Billy Smith, Chief Financial Officer John Foy, Assistant Commissioner Christa Morris-Stone, Sr. Director of Education & Officials Patti Carter, Sr. Director of International Affairs & Development Samantha Oldfield, Director of Member & Show Services Krissy Colbath, Director of Governance & Executive Administration Liz Kelsey, Sr. Coordinator of Affiliate Programs & Shows Lauren Waymire, Bryn Wells Fine, Sr. Coordinator of Compliance Lindsey Leach

**Call to Order:**

President Mark Blake called the meeting to order at 10:00 am central time.

**Consent Agenda**

A motion and a second were made to approve. Motion passed unanimously.

**Financial Report**

A motion and a second were made to recommend to the board to approve the profit improvement plan and for NRHA Staff to work with Show Management to reduce owned event costs as much as possible to mitigate inflation. Staff were directed to provide up to a three-year plan that improves the Level 4 Purse on a gradual basis and overall improves profitability at a high confident level. Staff were to report back to the executive committee within 6-8 weeks and to potentially evaluate stallion programs. Motion passed unanimously.

**Election by Acclamation**

A motion and a second were made to recommend to the board to approve the five unopposed candidates by acclamation. Motion passed unanimously.

**Advisory Committee Recommendations**

A motion and a second were made to recommend to the board to approve the Mexico Affiliate Regional Championship host. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion and a second were made to recommend to the board to approve the developing affiliate Southern Queensland Sliders.

A motion and a second were made to recommend to the board to approve the proposed bylaw amendment as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion and a second were made to recommend to the board to approve all of the judge and stewards listed. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion and a second were made to approve Mark Turner to the NRHA Judges Advisory Committee. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Eligibility**

A motion and a second were made to recommend to the board to approve all the submitted eligibility policies. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Slide Contests**

A motion and a second were made to recommend to the board to introduce a pilot program for Slide Contests beginning at the NRHA Futurity and for interested events with sights toward submitting a 2026 rule change proposal by the end of this year. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Show Processing Digital Conversion**

A motion and a second were made to recommend to the board to approve an incentive fee structure that increases processing fees by size of show and effort level of staff that eventually goes away when show come into compliance by providing digital results to NRHA. Motion passed unanimously.

*After asking if there were any questions on the informational items, and hearing none, the meeting adjourned.*