



NATIONAL REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION
Board Of Directors Meeting Minutes
December 19, 2025
10:00 AM Central Time
Zoom Call

Approved 01/16/2026

Present via Zoom Call:

NRHA Executive Committee: Mike Hancock, Casey Hinton, Ed "Hoot" Bricker, John Tague, Pete Kyle, Tom McCutcheon, Sebastian Petroll.

NRHA Board of Directors: Tim Anderson, Maik Bartmann, Travis Chapman, Rick Clark, Mike Davis, Andre De Bellefeuille, Margaret Fuchs, Rudi Kronsteiner, Bundy Lane, Joao Marcos, Matt Murphy, Jenny Ricotta, Andrea Stillo, Jose Soto Soberanes, Kylie Warn.

Staff present via Zoom call:

Billy Smith, Commissioner, Christa Morris Stone, Assistant Commissioner; John Foy, Chief Financial Officer; Liz Kelsey, Sr. Director of Medications and Compliance; Lindsey Leach, Sr. Coordinator of Administration and Compliance; Patti Carter, Sr. Director of Education and Officials, Leslie Baker Reining Horse Foundation Executive Director.

Call to Order

President Hancock called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m. Central Time.

A quorum was established.

Agenda Item #1: NRHA Medications Policy Reclassification and 2026 Update

Motion: To approve the recommendations as presented by the NRHA Executive Committee including Medication reclassifications, updated thresholds, shortened NSAID withdrawal times.

Liz Kelsey, Sr. Director of Medications and Compliance, reviewed the proposed updates to the 2025 NRHA Medications Policy. A draft of the revised Medications Policy was presented to the NRHA Board of Directors, with the proposed updates provided in an electronic voting format. Board members were advised that the deadline to submit their electronic vote on the Medications Policy updates was December 22, 2025, at 11:59 p.m. Additionally once votes regarding updates to the





NRHA Medications policy, an updated policy will be posted online January 2026 online at NRHA.com.

Agenda Item #2: NRHA Steward Applicant Seminar-Brazil

Motion: The NRHA Stewards Advisory Committee has unanimously voted to approve Steward privileges for the individuals listed below and recommends that the NRHA Executive Committee grant approval for these names listed in the memo to be presented to the NRHA Board of Directors.

Motion Seconded.

Vote: Motion carried.

Agenda Item #3: NRHA Steward Applicant Seminar-Germany

Motion: The NRHA Stewards Advisory Committee has unanimously voted to approve Steward privileges for the individuals listed below and recommends that the NRHA Executive Committee grant approval for these names listed in the memo to be presented to the NRHA Board of Directors.

Motion Seconded.

Vote: Motion carried.

Agenda Item #4: NRHA Judge Recertification: Germany, Brazil, and USA

Motion: Each judge who attended recertification in Germany, Brazil and the USA will be notified of their testing results and the Board of Directors Approval for their judges' privileges to be extended on the NRHA Officials listings until they retest in 2027. This will also include their roles being updated in ReinerSuite.

Motion: Seconded

Vote: Motion carried

Agenda Item #5: Reining Horse Foundation 2026 Board of Directors Approval

Motion: The Foundation Board respectfully requests the NRHA Board of Directors to take action to approve the directors presented in memo, effective January 1, 2026.

Motion: Seconded

Vote: Motion carried





Agenda Item #5: 2026 Executive Committee Elections by Board

Consideration of this item was limited to members of the 2026 Board of Directors, consistent with the overlapping board structure

Christa Morris-Stone reviewed the candidates for election and the procedures for voting, which will be conducted using our online election platform. Once the election is tabulated, the members and the Board will be notified of the outcome. Additionally, all listings of the board will be updated in January.

Meeting adjourned at 11:48 pm Central.

