

**NAPHA Minutes
Conference Call
June 8, 2011
1700 PST**

Roll Call:

Danell Adams, Edie Gandy, Larry Redman, Rich Ovenburg, Gene Pepe, Charles Melton.

Absent: Barbara Windom

Registration Committee:

Currently, the board will continue to direct registration related complaints, as deemed necessary, to the registration committee. After the CLRC transition is complete, the committee requested that registration related problems first be sent to the RC who would then make recommendations to the board. If the two entities disagree, the committee would like to participate in a conference call with the board to discuss further. It was decided that the board will first review initial problems or complaints.

The RC also recommended that the Registrar have full access to the data base of the CLRC once the program is up and running. The board agreed to an occasional spot check during the transition phase, however it is very unlikely that our personnel will have access to the CLRC data base. The board selected the CLRC due to their time in the business, their excellent reputation and their efficiency in the registration process.

Update & Mailer to Members:

Charlotte Becerra and Don Brewer have an e-newsletter ready to go out in the next few days. This will give our members an update and will also serve to advise of an upcoming mailer. The board has asked that the e-newsletter extend beyond current membership to include as many former members as possible. The update will also include financials completed by our finance committee. The mailer should also include nomination forms for vacating RAC positions and one board position.

Financials:

Gene announced that the John Justin Arena has been paid in full, a debt this board incurred from the 2009 National Show.

Our finance committee and attorney are still working with IRS to determine what we may still owe...including penalties, as a result of improper employee records from previous years. We may have the option of appealing the final amount.

This board continues to lower the amount of incurred debt and without any dependence on private donations. The progress will be outlined in the financial report to be circulated with the update.

Drug Testing Horses:

As a result of some recent confusion at our local shows, the board believes that more explicit guidelines need to be established for drug testing. The board discussed reviewing the USEF guidelines and perhaps drawing from their procedure. Our rules may also need to be addressed to extend the 72 hour rule. The advancing technology of the testing process is becoming more sensitive and sensing the presence of illicit drugs at lower levels. The 72 hour rule was established some time ago and most of all of the USEF guidelines are currently set at a minimum of 7 days. The board will research and draft some suggestions for further discussion.

NAPHA Eastern Regional Championships: (Franklin, Tenn)

Double points will be awarded and the winners will hold the prestigious title of Eastern Champion. Champion of Champion winners will be allowed to directly enter Championships at Nationals. For the purpose of NAPHA Regional Championships and the National Show, any Champion of Champions at a Regional show can enter the Championships at Nationals.

Two Day California Event: Recreational Riders Rally

Danell Adams gave a briefing on the two day event being planned by the area RACs and the Joy of Riding/Recreational Riders Committee in Central California on the Redman Ranch at the end of August. Saturday will be for Peruvian owners to participate in some low-level obstacle competitions...much like ACTHA...and to serve as some training for our recreational riders. There will be a lunch, a trail ride and some round table discussions at a BBQ in the evening. On Sunday, NAPHA is hosting an all breed poker ride, also on the Redman Ranch. It is the board's hope that this concept will be utilized across the country when the National show is rotated. Hopefully, the concept will draw more

recreational riders together who are interested in socializing and learning but not necessarily to compete. Details will soon be posted.

Part Bloods:

Currently we have about 1100 registered part bloods owned by approximately 500 people. The board discussed being more inclusive of the part bloods and perhaps even creating some classes at local shows in which they could participate. Janetta Michaels has volunteered to assist in creating a separate data base for them as well.

Motion to ask Janetta Michaels to build a data base for NAPHA to use to contact owners of part blood, by Edie Gandy. 2nd by Danell Adams

Lifetime Memberships:

While the AA did have some lifetime memberships and a few carried over...soon to expire, the board declined the suggestion to reopen the program. Part of the problem is in developing fair and equitable criteria to make the determinations.

Gait (sound) Board:

In an effort to create more excitement at our National Show, the idea of utilizing a gait board for gait classes only was discussed. We would need to give our exhibitors enough time to practice and also to consult the Judge.

Motion to include a wooden gait board at Nationals for use in judging the gait classes, by Gene Pepe 2nd by Charles Melton.

Show Staff at Nationals:

The organization of the national show is well under way with all of the components starting to fall into place. Our show manager, Alberto has done a substantial amount of organization. Alberto presented his suggested staff for the National Show. Information will soon be posted on the website. Sponsorships will be solicited shortly and directed to the California office

Motion to adjourn by Rich Ovenburg at 1945, 2nd by Danell Adams

**Danell Adams
NAPHA Secretary**

