

Agenda for NAPHA Board of Directors Meeting

Conference Call

April 13, 2017, 6:30 pm CDT

Call to Order

A Board of Directors meeting of NAPHA was held on April 13, 2017 by conference call. It began at 6:38 pm with President Chris Austin Presiding and Tina Mewhinney as secretary.

Attendees

Board Members in attendance: Kathleen Morrison, David Averette, Chris Austin, Tina Mewhinney, Ernesto Sandigo, and Carolyn Mittrick. Pam Castenada joined at 7:15 pm.

Guests in attendance: Kelly Ponciano, Bonnie Gallegos

Board Members not in attendance:

A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the previous March 7th and March 21st BOD meetings and March 31st 2017 annual membership meeting was made by David and seconded by Kathleen. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report was presented by David. The bank balance is \$66,452.42. Motion to approve Treasurer's report by Tina and Kathleen seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

1. Website Update Proposal – Kelly Pocianano

Kerry will research using a different service provider for lower cost. Kelly recommends a front page redesign to make user and mobil friendly. Probably will upgrade will take about 20 hours. There will be minimal costs. Expand Joy of Riding Page. We need more photos from members with the right to use the photo. We need more automated forms – judges and steward's contracts. Kelly will research Investing in an app developed for Joy of Riding.

Action Item: Kelly will update her contract and give a proposal for the update.

2. Anuario Update – Kelly Ponciano

Kelly says she has a few advertisements but needs more advertisement sales and the list of members. We do not want to compete with solicitations for the national show. Kelly will let us know if she wants help in soliciting advertisements.

Action Item: Kelly will reach out to advertisers.

3. 2017 National Show Update

Horacio has found a company for the National Show webcast – multiple camera angles and well informed commentators. The board discussed the cost of the dinner at the show and asked for options such as Joe T

Garcia's at a prior national show. The Ladies Aside group will be participating at the show and will participate in the side saddle class. Pam suggested we put the conjunto classes immediately after lunch on Friday. The board will decide whether the first place awards will be scarves with the NAPHA logo or bottles of donated wine.

Action Items: Carolyn will look for a sponsor for their nine stalls. David will ask Kelly to send the sponsorship costs to him and pass them on to Melissa for eblast publication. Carolyn will check with Joe T Garcia's restaurant for cost and availability.

4. Trail Horse Certification

Action Item: Tina will send out an outline of the proposed program to the board for comments.

5. Proposed Drug Testing

Tina will bring the receptacles to OK and Denver shows (if wanted) to help them with drug testing. Tina will get a count of shows wanting testing and get supplies to the show managers.

Action Items: Tina will resend process to Larry for distribution.

6. Amateur Rule Revision

Current rule forces applicant to wait one year then apply and then wait another year after the layoff from pro status. This does not make sense for people who have not been active for many years. Proposed rule change that the BOD can look at case by case determination cases for special circumstances to waive the year wait after application for amateur status. The Show Rules Committee recommended the board implement the following rule.

d) Amateur Exhibitors.

1) Anyone competing in a class or Division declared for "Amateurs" only must have a written Amateur Declaration on file with the NAPHA.

(a) The penalty for filing a false Amateur Declaration form is a one year suspension from all approved shows and a \$250 fine.

(b) A professional who wishes to regain amateur status must make a declaration in writing to the NAPHA that s/he wishes to regain amateur status and that s/he is doing nothing which would make him/her a professional under the rules.

(1) Said declaration must be accompanied by two notarized letters from NAPHA members outlining the applicant's activities for the one year period preceding such written notification and testifying that the applicant has not engaged in any activities which would make him/her a professional as outlined in the Amateur Declaration. The burden of proof of proving amateur status is on the applicant. If the NAPHA is convinced that the applicant is now an amateur, s/he may file a declaration of amateur status and resume amateur competition **ONE YEAR** after the NAPHA's acceptance of the declaration to regain amateur status. A request for removal of the one year waiting period due to "Special Circumstance" – those who have been in amateur status for two years or a lifestyle change such as a serious physical limitation may be submitted to the BOD along with the declaration and the two letters. Elimination of the year following the approval may be removed at the discretion at the BOD.

A motion made by Carolyn, seconded by Ernesto, to accept the rule as proposed by the rules committee. The board voted unanimously in favor of the rule change.

7. Request by Joe Chandler
 - a. Joe Chandler has asked for the one year waiting period to be waived so he can regain amateur status. He hasn't ridden or shown horses for over nine years.
 - b. A motion was made by Tina and seconded by Ernesto to grant Joe Chandler amateur status after his nine years out of riding. The board voted unanimously.

8. Cookbook Sale Update

tabled until next month

9. New 501(c) Organization Update

tabled until next month

10. Futurity Update

tabled until next month

11. Partnership with Buckeye Nutrition

tabled until next month

12. Sponsor Partnership with Pisco World

tabled until next month

13. Encouraging Older Horse Participation at Our Shows

tabled until next month

New Business

1. NAPHA points – Bonnie Gallegos

Bonnie is concerned that so many horses are reaching lifetime awards very quickly – even as a 4 year old. Over the years points awarded have increased due to additional classes added, and multipliers that have been increased. De Bronze is only performance and Diamante is only breeding, however de Oro combines both and all the divisions - AOTR, Amateur, Open performance, and Breeding Divisions- so the de Oro should be more points than the others. Bonnie suggests raising de Bronze and Diamonate awards 1000 points more and de Oro to 2500s more. A discussion ensued of the possibility of filly and mare points earned in the same year. It was decided that this complicated accounting too much. The point system also needs to be updated to reflect that we are not showing in halter and we are starting horses later.

Action Item: The Rules committee will give the BOD a formal proposal for gradual increase in points over the next few years beginning in 2018. We will compare 2015 and 2016 years points to see what inflation has occurred. Carolyn will ask the rules committee if they would count 4 yo bozal to count toward filly points for the year award de Plata.

2. Mission Trail Show Late Premium Penalty

tabled until next month

3. **Panama Judges Certification**

There was a discussion about whether to accredit Panama judges for NAPHA show. We will wait until we hear back from the Accreditation Committee.

4. **Raising Dues for Breed Promotion** – Gene Pepe’s ideas

tabled until next month

5. **Different National show awards for Breeding and Performance** – Gene Pepe’s idea

tabled until next month

Motion to adjourn by Kathleen. Meeting adjourned at 10:23 pm CDT.

May 9, 2017

Secretary NAPHA, Tina Mewhinney

Date of Approval

March 7th Action Items:

Action Item: Chris will ask Naomi to call members to encourage them to come and also to come to the national show.

Action Item: Pam will find out what the medallion costs were last year. There ideas for awards to take back to the committee. She will reach out to Mustang Productions, and to Kelly for ideas on stallion options and first place awards. Pam and Carolyn will report back to the BOD after the show committee meeting on March 15.

Action Plan: Chris will get Arlynda to contact Regional Clubs to split profit of cook book sales.

Action Item: Kathleen will inform Registration Committee of our decision on the cryptorchid rule. The board will respond to the group that filed the grievance.

Action Item: Chris will reach out to Donnie regarding the new 501(c) organization.

Action Item: Pam will meet with the woman in Oklahoma who knows how to up a futurity.

Action Item: David will contact Buckeye and Pisco world for status on sponsorships.

Action Item: Kelly is working on getting sponsors for anuario.

Action Item: Tina Mewhinney will pursue avenues to implement a trail horse certification program.

March 21st Action Items:

Action Item: Emily Knight will send an invoice to David for the de Oro awards. David will have Mary cut a check for Emily Knight to begin making them.

Action Plan: We will wait to decide on the first place award for the National Show until after we learn what awards are possible.

Action Item: The sponsorships for the National show will remain at the same fees as last year. David will send Melissa the sponsorship and ad fees to promote on FB.

Action Item: The class list will be shared with Arlynda for her suggestions. She will need to get it completed before sponsorships can be solicited.

Action Item: Mary Kay Santos is getting information on the food and cost and meeting with Colbern caterer. And asked about selling the Pisco at the cash bar.

Action Item: After the classes are fully sponsored the committee will search for a sponsor for the \$500 room for the dinner.

March 31st Action Items: National Meeting

Action Item: Communication – make calls, survey for National Show judge for those who participated over the last two years and how many horses do you bring – BOD calls 10 people, transparency. Use Naomi for calls.

Action Item: National Show - Katy Texas? Needs to be central to all and needs food, music and drinks-put on by an event planning group. Difference in Peru is food, music, drinks, and fun. Event planning group Peruvian feast. \$10 per entry. Need to bring people from outside. The event happens to have horses Facility to find own food and alcohol. Santos will organize 2018 show.

Action Item: Storage units – step one is to reduce the amount of storage from two to one unit. Then scan all the documents in the storage units.

Action Item: BOD National Show Experience – like Miami show

Action Item: NAPHA TV – webcast. – do interviews. Horatio will reach out to Aura Austin to begin looking into it.

Action Item: Andrew Justice will develop a new brochure. Jim Alexander will send Andrew an old brochure to put into OCR do that a new brochure can generated for the NAPHA sites. For more info and list ranches and clubs on a website for a fee.

Action Item: Consider raising dues \$30 but put all increase toward advertising

Action Item: Develop brochures and produce for clubs for shows and expos

Action Item: Need a newer promotional video – to do with Breeder’s donated money- possibly you tube videos – Melissa to do – doing all kinds of things including the Spanish language – Peruvian Paso horse lineage

Action Item: Larry Underwood will propose to RAC – time zones or Arlynda’s Zones– 4 RAC Regions and the club presidents as stated on Jan 1 become voting members

Action Item: Tina Mewhinney to reach out to join Paso Fino – and send to Larry – juniors

Action Item: Tina Mewhinney to send information on how to participate in this drug testing program to Larry Underwood for dissemination to Club Presidents

Action Item: David Averette will send Larry Underwood information on Buckeye to members.

Action Item: Mary Kay Santos is investigating a Pisco tasting in the show hotel.