

NAPHA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Conference Call

May 9, 2017, 7:00 pm CST

Call to Order

A Board of Directors meeting of NAPHA was held on May 9, 2017 by conference call. It began at 7:08 pm with President Chris Austin Presiding and Tina Mewhinney as secretary.

Attendees

Board Members in attendance: Chris Austin, Tina Mewhinney, Carolyn Mittrick, Kathleen Morrison, David Averette, and Ernesto Sandigo. Pam Castenada joined at 7:30 pm CDT.

Guests in attendance: none

A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2017 board meeting was made by Carolyn and seconded by Ernesto. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report was presented by David. The bank balance is \$60,013.05 as of April 13, 2017. The NAPHA debit card was suspended due to an error at Citi Bank and the bank has not resolved the issue as of this board meeting. Chris has offered to pay bills on his personal credit card and be reimbursed during this time frame. Motion to approve Treasurer's report was made by Tina and Chris seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

1. Updating rules and bylaws

Ernesto suggested we set up a cloud system to keep up with important documents like rule changes.

Action Item: Carolyn will contact the Rules Committee to see if they have a copy of the Rules to publish. Kathleen will forward the rules changes made to Carolyn, and Carolyn will let Arlynda know what rules have changed so she can tell show stewards.

Action Item: Kathleen and Ernesto will set up skeleton for the rule changes in google docs.

Action Item: Kathleen will send changes to Arlynda for the bylaws to get them updated.

2. 2017 National Show Update

Carolyn reported that \$49 per plate dinner will be set up as scheduled by Mary Kay. Medallions and ribbons and Champion / Champions awards are completed. The Champions and Reserve Champion and High Point awards have not been determined yet. Texas Ladies Aside will perform and Pam has gotten a \$200 sponsorship for them. Carole has 14 medallions sponsored already.

Action item: David will price scarves for awards.

3. Webcast

Horacio Santos is doing an excellent job. He is renting a billboard in Fort Worth and advertising on Facebook. He has over 40 guests coming as invited guests - both international and young people. Some will be interviewed. The guests include the Peruvian Association's president and other well known individuals.

4. Panama Judges Reciprocity

The Judges Accreditation Committee recommends reciprocity for Panama judges. Carded US judges are accepted in Panama. Rolando Garcia is the only carded judge to date and there are three student judges. We have previously granted reciprocity to Guatemala. A motion was made by Ernesto to decline the request and Tina seconded. The vote failed by 3-4. Pam made a motion to accept the request and David seconded. The vote passed by 4-3. Since this is in alignment with the recommendation of the Judges' Accreditation Committee NAPHA will extend extend reciprocity to Panama.

5. Trail Horse Certification

Tina reported that a committee is being formed for program development. The committee includes Emily Knight , Kerry McGinley, Mary Edwards, Caroline Harrington and Tina Mewhinney. They will begin meeting in June and to develop a plan and assign tasks. These will include judge accreditation, training and criteria, the elements of the tests themselves and how to organize program events and their rules and procedures.

Action Item: Chris will ask the show Judges Accreditation Committee if they can help.

6. Drug Testing

Tina reported that of 14 shows this year 10 will definitely be tested this year. The status of the remaining 4 are unknown. One show has tested on own before the program started, four CA shows are state tested, five shows are using NAPHA testing program , one show replied they will not using NAPHA testing, and three shows have not given definite responses. These shows are in the fall. Tina doesn't know if they are testing or not.

Tina described the NAPHA testing kits which include everything from shipping containers to needles. After some discussion the board decided that the show steward will keep the coding sheet which unblinds the testing results should there be a positive test.

Action Item: Tina will send Aura the testing procedure and information to send to the show stewards.

7. Newsletter – recurring columns

Tina reported that Melissa is working on monthly newsletters. Tina suggested recurring occurring columns. We need editor with expertise in these areas to produce an accurate as well as interesting newsletter. This lead to a discussion about having a place on the website as a repository for important breed specific articles on topics such as gait, breeding, tack, etc.

Action Item: These individuals will be responsible for reviewing the content of the specific columns.

From the President - Chris

NAPHA Communications / Announcements (like Rule changes) -Chris

Member News - Melissa

Winner's Circle (Show Results) -Melissa will obtain official results from Arlynda

Outside the Ring (activities other than showing) - Melissa

Vet's Corner- articles on equine health, nutrition, contagious diseases, weight management, how to trim our horse's hooves and hoof care, breeding - Ernesto
Paca Paca - Articles specific to our breed: finer points of gait, breeding, how to clean our braided tack, mane care, trail boots, etc – Chris

Action Item: Tina will contact Kelly to see if she will allow us to share old articles from Paso Llano Magazine for the Paca Paca column if credit is given.

Action Item: Tina will contact Kelly to see if she will create or modify a web page to use as a repository for breed specific information.

8. NAPHA points

Tabled

9. Cookbook Sale Update

Naomi has worked on this with the clubs.

10. New 501(c) Organization Update

No progress at this time.

11. Futurity Update

This topic is table until Pam gets details we need.

12. Partnership with Buckeye Nutrition

David is following up with them.

13. Sponsor Partnership with Pisco World

The show committee has not been able to get in touch with Pisco supplier.

Action Item: Carolyn will reach out to Kelly to contact him.

New Business

1) Amateur issue at recent show

2) Facebook posts by member

Executive session 8:47 pm – 8:57 pm CDT

Action Item: The concern by membership over Amateur status led to a discussion by the board. The board came up with some ideas and will be sending to Show Rules Committee for their comments. Chris will send the suggestions to Carolyn for Rule Committee review and to Larry for RAC review.

Executive Session 9:26 pm – 9:47 pm CDT

3) Peruvian Horse Brochure

This topic is tabled until we receive more information from Andrew.

4) Starting age

Several members have concerns over starting our horses under saddle too early - before their skeleton is mature enough. We need to review our show rules to see if they need adjustment to accommodate new knowledge of the horse's development.

Action Item: Ernesto will work with Tina to write a position statement.

5) **Raising Dues for Breed Promotion** – Gene Pepe's ideas

Tabled

6) **Different National show awards for Breeding and Performance** – Gene Pepe's idea

We talked about it. We are comfortable with the awards we are giving this year.

There was a motion to adjourn by Kathleen. The meeting adjourned at 9:53 pm CDT.

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.

April 13th Action Items:

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

Action Item: Kelly will reach out to advertisers for annuario.

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.

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

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.

