

NAPHA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Conference Call

August 15, 2017, 7:30 pm CDT

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:36 pm CDT by Chris Austin with Tina Mewhinney as secretary.

Attendees

In attendance were Chris Austin, Tina Mewhinney, David Averette, Kathleen Morrison, Ernesto Sandigo, Carolyn Mittrick. Pam Casteneda was absent.

Randy Hey joined at the beginning of the call.

A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Chris and seconded by Carolyn. The minutes for July were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

The bank balance is \$57356.56.

Old Business

The Board went into Executive Session from 7:37 – 7:54 pm

1) Member Appeal

David recused himself from this vote because of conflict of interest. Pam was absent. The vote to was 5-0 that the member failed to successfully appeal the board's disciplinary decision.

2) Junior Scholarship Account – Ernesto

Ernesto will update next month.

3) 2017 National Show Update – Carolyn and Pam

a) Hotel Rooms

There are three hotel contracts. We have a block with Courtyard Marriot and Springhill Suites. Springhill Suites was written for staff only. Can we move the committed rooms to Courtyard? Mary will call and try to fix the situation.

b) Awards

The wine glasses and scarves will be engraved by the same firm. Carolyn will give the number required to David.

c) Partnership with Buckeye Nutrition – David

Buckeye Nutrition will not do a partnership.

d) **Sponsor Partnership with Pisco World**- David

Pisco World will not do a sponsorship.

e) **Other**

Meet and greet and dinner is in order as well as staff. The premium is about to be issued.

4) **Updating show rules** - Carolyn

The show rules committee has not met yet.

5) **Amateur Rule**

The show rules committee must present a proposal to the board.

6) **Pleasure Horse Certification** - Tina and Chris

Tina reported that Chris and she had a successful conference call with the leadership of the Paso Fino Trail Horse test. They enthusiastically welcomed our participation and support in sharing testing and clinic locations and judges. Tina will ask a NAPHA member to host a clinic and test at that farm and will fly in the PF judge and steward for the event. We will try to also include a Peruvian association student judge,

7) **Newsletter**

The newsletter has been written and Chris will follow up with Kelly.

8) **New 501(c) Organization Update**

No update.

9) **Starting Age**

Ernesto will look for an article.

New Business

1. **2018 National Show Location** Discussion

A RAC member is exploring 2018 National show locations but we know that we have first right of refusal on the same date and location as 2017

2. **JOR coordinator**

We talked about a couple of possible candidates and Tina will reach out them.

3. **US wide Open Barn Date** - Coordinate US wide barn open date that can advertise in social media nationally-
Chris

We could have multiple open barns across the country. We could advertise on social media for a number of farms participating on the same weekend. Use National advertising dollars that go to the local level.

4. **Drug Testing at Nationals** - Tina

Ernesto made a motion for a test protocol. Carolyn seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

5. Rescued horses' registration papers

Most breeds do not allow registration of rescued horses. The board decided that the registrar should not be involved between the original owner and the rescuer.

6. Nominations for BOD- Tina

Ernesto will accept an appointed board position. There are about 7 nominations for elected board members at this time.

Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Chris and seconded by David . The meeting was adjourned at 9:24 pm CDT by Chris Austin.

Christina Mewhinney
NAPHA Secretary