

NAPHA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Conference Call

December 7, 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, Kathleen Morrison, Ernesto Sandigo, and Carolyn Mittrick. Pam Casteneda and David Averette were absent. Michele Wilson joined the board as a guest to discuss the 2018 show location. Mark Renn joined the call as orientation to his board position beginning January.

A quorum of board members was present.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Ernesto Sandigo and seconded by Kathleen Morrison. The minutes for November were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Chris Austin reported the bank balance \$69,674.60 as of December 5, 2017. Kathleen Morrison made a motion to approve the report and Ernesto Sandigo seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Old Business

1) 2018 National Show Location - Chris

Michelle Wilson gave a presentation on Scottsdale, AZ and West World as a potential 2018 National Show 2018 venue. The Arizona local club has offered to be the local sponsors.

We had a net income of about \$40,000 from the 2017 National Show in Fort Worth, Texas. This was an increase over what we netted in 2016.

The board thoroughly discussed various venues and locations. Ernesto Sandigo said the venue is more important than the location. Other board members felt that members have been clear in their desire for a centrally located national show. It was the Board's desire to host it again in Fort Worth, Texas but the facility gave our dates to another horse show even though they had committed to saving our dates via email. Ernesto Sandigo made a motion to have it at West world but there was no second. Carolyn Mittrick made a motion to have it at Glen Rose and was seconded by Kathleen Morrison. Motion was carried by 4 to 1. Chris Austin will work to get a contract.

2) Judge for 2018 Nationals and New Judge Review

We are using a two judge conferring system for 2018 National Show. The JAC met to discuss a new initiative to train and review judges and is going to put together a proposal for judge review for the Board's approval. JAC also proposed a candidate for National show judge for the board to consider. Ernesto Sandigo made a motion to elect Dante Mazzi as the second judge for the show. Carolyn Mittrick seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

3) Publication of Rule Changes for 2018

Kathleen Morrison informed the board that we needed to publish the By-laws changes for 2018 in the December newsletter. We changed the By-laws so that a person has to renew their membership before June 1 to be nominated and run for a position on the Board of Directors in that corresponding year.

Bonnie Gallegos informed the board that the show rules committee is considering changing the amateur rule to conform with the USEF amateur rule. Ernesto Sandigo made a motion to accept in principle the Show Rules Committee suggestion of adoption of the USEF amateur rules and request the rules committee to provide the final language to conform to the NAPHA by the end of the year. Tina Mewhinney seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

4) December Newsletter

The newsletter is going to the publisher tomorrow.

5) New embryo rule update - Ernesto and Kathleen

The second rule change for this year concerns the number of embryos that are permitted to come from one mare. Kathleen Morrison is going to contact Steve Todd of Registration Committee for final wording to provide to the board for approval.

6) Pleasure Horse Certification - Tina

Tina Mewhinney stated that we are starting the program in January. The web page is up and the forms are linked to the site. The December newsletter will have a full explanation of the program. We would like people to come forward who wish to be trained as trail judges this next year. There will be about 6 clinic / test events scheduled by the Paso Fino association for our members to attend. Alice Wolf will be hosting a test in November in Texas. Emily Knight is investigating hosting an event for early July in Colorado Springs.

7) Semen from Ecuador - Ernesto

There are many restrictions for rules to be realistic. The stallion must be quarantined and tested for the US. We are tabling this until next month.

8) US wide Open Barn Date - Chris

Tabled until next month.

Executive session from 9:40 pm - 10:17 pm

9) Club Donation

Chris Austin tabled this until next month.

New Business

1) 2018 Budget

We will discuss this more next month.

2) NAPHA Storage Shed Clean Up

Ernesto Sandigo will let Chris Austin know if he can go to clean out the storage shed on March 30 by next week.

3) Stallion Report Rule Change - As recommended by Registration Committee

The Stallion late fee schedule and the amount in the rules conflict. Tina Mewhinney made a motion to approve the recommendation of the committee to change the rule to say the fine as stated in the rule schedule. Kathleen Morisson seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The rule change is as follows:

Part 11. - STALLION REPORT

Stallion Report forms will be available on the Internet web site and by request from the office. Completed Stallion Report forms must be returned to NAPHA no later than January 10th. See current NAPHA fee schedule. Between January 10th and March 1st, reports will be accepted if accompanied by a late fee. See current NAPHA fee schedule. After March 1st, reports will only be accepted with justifiable cause for the delay on the approval of the Registration Committee and with a fine of \$500 as per the current NAPHA fee schedule. Owners of stallions are solely responsible for the filing of stallion reports and for notifying NAPHA of any change of address in sufficient time so that reports can be mailed to the proper address.

3) If a minor amendment to a properly filed stallion report is needed (changing a breeding date, adding one mare or the like) a fine of \$100 as per the current NAPHA fee schedule will be charged. DNA typing to verify parentage may be requested at the discretion of NAPHA. Any additional changes to that report will require the normal fine of \$500 as per the current NAPHA fee schedule.

4) Appoint new JAC members

Ernesto Sandigo made a motion to approve Horacio Santos and Gene Pepe to the JAC Committee. Kathleen Morrison seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

5) Response to DSLD Letter from NAPHA member

Chris Austin will put together a response.

6) International RAC member - Request from Liz Schmel from Australia

Chris Austin will forward her request to the RAC coordinator.

Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Tina Mewhinney and seconded by Kathleen Morrison. The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 pm CDT by Chris Austin.

Christina Mewhinney
NAPHA Secretary