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Board Member

Meeting Date: 6.9.25

	Item	Owner	Notes
1.	Welcome	Paul	The meeting was called to order at 5:05 pm by Paul.
2.	Approval of Previous Minutes	Bill	The board reviewed the minutes from the May meeting. Due to member feedback, board members' full names are now listed at the top of the minutes for reference throughout the minutes. No corrections needed Motion to accept the minutes as submitted by Bonnie, 2 <sup>nd</sup> by Lucho. Minutes approved unanimously
3.	Treasurer's Report	Bonnie	Checking: \$11,213.58 Savings: \$138,023.39 There were no questions or comments regarding the treasure report. Motion to accept the treasurer's report by Edie, 2 <sup>nd</sup> by Silvia. The treasurer's report was approved unanimously.
4.	Old Business		
	Website Project Update	Bill	Bill provided an update on recent updates to the public-facing sections. Updates so far include updates to the committee page, along with committee descriptions.



			<p>We are updating the committee description documents because they still reflect RAC instead of the new AC. He will be submitting a request for additional sections to be added to hidden pages. There is a hidden section for the member directory. Bill is working on updating this section. We will be including “Can this person be contacted” along with check boxes for “services offered”.</p>
	National Show Update	Bill	<p>Paul recommends adding the 2024 Awards for the Joy of Riding club be added to the show program. He would also like a National member directory. Becky and Paul will send an email out to the membership so they can let us know if they want their contact information made public in the show program and on our website directory. Any member responding with a “NO” will have their name forwarded to Bill so he can mark accordingly.</p> <p>NAPHA will provide the Award winners so that an ad can be designed for the Show Program.</p> <p>Bill shared that all ribbons, trophies, and belt buckles have been ordered.</p>
	Level 1 & 2 Laureado discussion for National Show	Paul	<p>The board needs to provide guidance to the show committee around the premium and the wording around Level 1, Level 2, and Laureados.</p> <p>Bonnie shared that if there are different classes/ribbons, they are different. Paul asked how we wanted to approach this</p>

			<p>topic as a board. Lucho stated we needed to have rules for this based on Level 1 &amp; 2 horses. He also shared that you can't shorten the show life of a horse by excluding them after a Level 1 or 2 Laureado.</p> <p>Bonnie reminded everyone that once approved, a show premium overrides NAPHA rules.</p> <p>There was discussion about how we move forward as a board in terms of discussing these options.</p> <p>Silvia shared an experience from her recent show about Levels 1 and 2. It was a waste of money because these classes did not have any riders, but the club had to purchase ribbons/awards for the classes upfront.</p> <p>Paul posed the question about how we treat this at this year's National Show.</p> <p>Motion to keep this as 2 separate divisions this year by Bill, Lucho 2<sup>nd</sup>. The motion was passed as follows:          Bonnie – Y          Lucho – Y          Silvia – Y          Edie – Y          Bill – Y          The motion passes unanimously. This year's National Show will be run like the 2024 National Show.</p>
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	National General Membership Meeting – Presentations – Final Planning	Paul/Edie	<p>Edie shared a Marketing Plan with the board in hopes that some of the items could be shared at the National Membership meeting.</p> <p>Bonnie stated that it is not up to NAPHA to advertise; it is up to the specific regions. Could we afford to offer monetary support for clubs to create ads? Edie suggested that NAPHA could provide these services, which NAPHA covered. This was previously done by Janetta (PPHRNA). Lucho agreed that we should spend money to help promote our regional clubs.</p> <p>If clubs utilized some of the Educational opportunities, they could possibly qualify for 501(c)(3) status. Chris Austin might be a good contact for creating a 501(c)(3) organization.</p> <p>Edie proposed creating a \$400 grant for clubs that are willing to invest time in promoting themselves. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lucho. The motion passes unanimously.</p> <p>Paul reviewed the meeting format and will provide the board with more details as the meeting date approaches.</p>
5.	New Business		
	New Discount Member Benefit	Paul	Paul shared resources from Equine Equipment who is interested in becoming



			<p>a NAPHA partner and offering savings to our members. This would be at no cost to NAPHA.</p> <p>Edie asked Lucho if some of the Peruvian Tack providers would be willing to provide discounts to our members. He said that would be something to reach out to the various providers about.</p> <p>These discounts would be available only to NAPHA members, and each member would need to provide their NAPHA member number to receive the discounts.</p>
	AC Meeting Take-Aways	Paul and Bill	AC concerns relate to the lack of progress on the National website, the location of the National show in OKC, and the negative connotation being placed on California.
	Rule Change Requests	Bonnie	<p>Bonnie shared that she has received two rule change requests: one regarding bitless bridles and another regarding show point calculations and show size. These go out to the members for input, then to the board. These proposals will move through the designated rule change process.</p>
			<p>Lucho brought up an issue from a previous show about a specific headset. Someone used a MariMacho (a Peruvian headgear in which the halter and bridle are one piece). Edie shared that it has been allowed only in side-saddle classes, and Bonnie confirmed this.</p>



			<p>Lucho will gather more information about the history and use of in Peru.</p> <p>It was noted that this could be a rules clarification and would not necessarily require a rule change.</p>
	BOD Member Resignation (Executive Session)	Paul	<p>The Board entered Executive Session for this portion.</p> <p>There was a motion to enter Executive Session by Edie and a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lucho. The motion passes unanimously.</p>
6.	Additional Topics		<p>The board discussed a member's concern about being told they could not join one of our committees. They were told by the chair this. It was the consensus of the board that committee chairs are not the gatekeepers of committees. Anyone interested in serving on a committee should notify Bill, and we will ensure they are added to the relevant committee.</p> <p>Discussed the Joy of Riding committee and the lack of tracking hours and an outdated regional system. We have a member who is interested in helping to update and move this forward.</p> <p>It was decided that the board needed to start providing the committees with annual goals and objectives again to ensure we are meeting the expectations of our members.</p> <p>Silvia shared that the video she is having created is now scheduled to take place on June 28<sup>th</sup>.</p>



7.	Adjourn	Paul	Motion to adjourn by Lucho. 2 <sup>nd</sup> by Silvia. Motion passes unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:11pm
Submitted by Bill Willis, NAPHA Secretary			