

NVRHA

Board of Directors Meeting

September 21, 2012

Colorado Springs, Colorado

Dave Currin called the meeting to order at 2:35pm. He welcomed the Board and the guests present.

Members in attendance- Dave Currin, Jennifer Sadler, Phillip Sadler, Susan Heyvaert, Becky Grant, Carol Ackerman, Debbie Raymond, Paulette Marshall, Donna Stewart, Channing Hawks, Tom Cobb, Jay Henson, Cindy Rose, Bob Schubbe.

Members absent- Shane Bangerter, Brian Young, Bill Hauschildt.

1. Minutes Approval-

Dave Currin asked if there were any corrections to Minutes, having none the Minutes were approved by a motion from Paulette Marshall with Phillip Sadler as 2nd. Motion carried.

2. Treasurers Report- Carol Ackerman

Carol reported to the Board:

NVRHA Income and Expense 8/31/2012

Category	1/2/2012- 9/20/2012
Banking Fees	\$ 140.00
Contract Labor	\$ 1,765.00
Other	\$ 1,422.40
Telephone	\$ 326.09
	Total Office \$ 3,653.49
Social, Meals, Misc.	\$ 500.00
Colorado	
Cactus Creek	\$ 169.00
Colorado Cowhands	\$ 684.67
	Total Colorado \$ 853.67

Total Social, Meals, Misc.	\$ 1,353.67
Total Outflows	\$ 51,596.60
Overall Total	\$ 5,522.18 (cash on hand)

Channing also told the Board that all of the saddles were paid for.

3. 2013 Rule Changes- Dave Currin

Dave told the Board that there were some issues with a few of the rule changes for 2013. There has been some concern over the length of time the new reining pattern (#4) would take. Discussion followed and Jay Henson suggested that on this pattern only the time would be increased from 6 minutes to 7 minutes. Channing Hawks moved to increase the time on Reining Pattern #4 to 7 minutes with Phillip Sadler as 2nd. Motion carried.

Dave Currin asked the Board what their thoughts were on Novices riding / competing on a Stud. The Board discussed the pros and cons of this concern. The Board felt that if there were a problem with a Novice Rider in this situation, management would ask them to leave. There was also discussion about youth with a Stud. The Board felt that this was not an option. The Motion was made by Susan Heyvaert that no one 18 and under will be allowed to ride / compete on a Stud. Paulette Marshall was 2nd. Motion Carried.

Paulette Marshall asked how the New Starts would work. Dave read what was proposed for the 2013 Rulebook. There was discussion from the Board about how the geographical area would work so as not to interfere with other Affiliates. It was decided that each Affiliate would define their own geographical area and that no NVRHA Events would be held in that area without that Affiliates approval. New Starts would have a 1 time \$20.00 per rider fee then need to determine if they will be a Level 1 or Level 2 Affiliate.

The Board also had some concerns on how the Trail Class Criteria and Execution would work. Currently in the Rulebook there are numerous ½ point references and it was felt that we could not remove all references to the ½ point deduction. Jennifer Sadler made the motion to keep the ½ point deduction in all areas except brush. Phillip Sadler 2nd and the motion passed.

Susan Heyvaert asked for clarification on Rule change #14- Legal Catch Definition- Dave read the new Rule and Jay Henson explained that the cow must look thru the loop. A horn catch will count.

Susan also asked about the status of Rule change #19 as it was unclear in the Minutes if it was passed or defeated. The AQHA/NVRHA Reciprocal Certification was defeated. She also asked for clarification on the Loss of Rope Penalty. Jay explained that if for any reason the rope touches the ground it is considered a loop.

4. Affiliate Agreements-

Dave would like to have all Affiliate Agreements in place by October 1, 2012. If for some reason an Agreement cannot be reached they need to come to the Board for resolution. Dave invited Sarah Clifford to join the BOD meeting and explained that California needs to become either a Level 1 or Level 2 Affiliate. He also explained how National would support California in any way possible to achieve their Affiliate status. Dave told Sara how the Affiliate process works and that Colorado would become a Level 2 Affiliate this year.

Becky Grant and Susan Heyvaert explained to Sarah how their Affiliates function, their Award programs, and how they work with other equine organizations. Sarah felt that it is difficult to get people to join NVRHA as there are so many other Equine organizations in California.

Carol Ackerman told Sarah that a Level 1 Affiliate splits all profits at year-end with National. Channing inquired if Rendezvous profits would help South Central / Springfield if they were all in one Affiliate. Sarah was not sure what Level California would be.

Dave asked if the Office Contract could be done at the next Board of Directors meeting.

The next Board Meeting was set for November 13th, 6:00pm MST. Will use Bill Hauschildt's office if possible and Go to Meeting for the out of town Board Members.

5. Board of Directors Elections-

Board Members who are rotating off this year are Dave Currin, Cindy Rose, Jay Henson, Bill Hauschildt, and Donna Stewart. Dave told the Board that Brian Young had resigned. Dave, Jay, and Bill will remain on the Board. Donna Stewart would like to continue with the "Rundown" but said she did not need to be a Board Member to do this. Dave thanked the retiring Board Members for their service. Dave also reported to the members what a good job Brian had done in New Mexico and felt that it was a good start to get that Affiliate up and running.

Currently there are 3 Board positions to fill. Paulette Marshall had 2 nominations- Curtis Jones and Dolly Wallace. After discussion it was decided to have a Nominating Committee with Paulette Marshall as Chair and Debbie Raymond / Donna Stewart as Co-Chairmen. The nominations need to be sent to Paulette by mid-October with the candidate's biography and acceptance letter. The elections will be held at the November meeting.

6. Superior/Legend Awards- Susan Heyvaert

A committee was formed with Susan as chairman and Donna Stewart / Carol Ackerman members. They are to research various options for the Legend Award to present to the Board at the next meeting. The ideas discussed were a resin custom painted standing saddled horse on a base through Candice Liddy or a custom oil painting or other form of media, from an approved artist. We also voted to make posters from the Legend award winner(s) each year to be used to promote the organization.

Superior Award:

Susan showed the sample of the Superior award made by Candice Liddy to the Board. The plaque is on walnut with a true bronze piece representing the class the person has won, in the middle, with 4 laser etches of the remaining 4 classes around each point of the diamond. The wood is then engraved with the award name, horse's name, etc. these cost NVRHA \$175.00 each as the members elect to use their gift certificates toward this and the remaining \$25.00 goes into the general fund to help with the initial artwork, molding, and sculpting costs. The first 2 classes are finished and the molds ready. These were paid for last year by Dave Currin and Susan Heyvaert. 50 awards can be cast from these completed molds before a new mold would have to be made.

The immediate issue with this award is that the mold and sculpting initial costs for the remaining 3 classes: Conformation, Working Ranch, and Cutting still need to be covered. Candace has given us discounted rate of \$750.00 to complete the remaining molds for these 3 classes. Again, these will be used to produce 50 bronzes as ordered, then a new mold would have to be made. In other words at our current rate, the molds will last 12+ years. We currently have 2 award winners wanting to order their plaques, Susan (2), Shane (2), and possibly Charlie (2). Rita and Jennifer opting to use their \$200.00 for a J.W. Brooks hat.

We are looking for someone or a combination of people to donate toward the \$650.00 (\$750.00 minus the \$25.00 we will get from each ordered plaque) so we may proceed with ordering the plaques for Susan, Shane, and possibly Charlie.

Legend Award-

In years past the Legend Award was a custom oil painting. The price if NVRHA uses Connie again is \$400.00. We have had trouble selling the posters and it has not been cost effective so this year NVRHA did not do a poster. Donna Stewart thought we could take the winner of the Legend Award and make our poster out of that painting. Susan felt we should set a price for what we spend on the Legend Award. Jennifer and Dave both felt that the painting was great when they won it and are very grateful to have it. Dave Currin asked Susan if she would be the head of the Legend Award with Carol Ackerman and Donna Stewart as co-chairs.

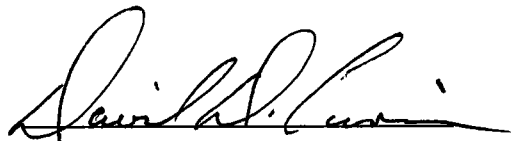
The motion was made by Paulette Marshall to use the Legend Award winner for the NVRHA poster. Channing Hawks as 2nd. Motion carried.

The Board of Directors meeting was adjourned at 3:50pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Debbie Raymond-secretary



Dave Currin- President