

NCHA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CONFERENCE CALL MINUTES
July 18, 2019
5:00PM Central

A conference call of the Executive Committee of the National Cutting Horse Association was held on Thursday, July 18, 2019 at 5:00PM Central. Those present were: President Ron Pietrafeso, President-Elect Steve Norris, Vice President Ora Diehl, Ernie Beutenmiller, Rock Hedlund, Skip Jones, Matt Miller, Tatum Rice, Tommy Neal, Sharon Overstreet, Lachlan Perks, Byron Green, Ronnie Smith and Kristen York. Also present were: NCHA Executive Director Kirk Slaughter, NCHA Chief Financial Officer Lance Bryson, NCHA Director of Shows Shianne Megel, NCHA Director of Marketing/Sponsorships Todd Barden and NCHA Executive Assistant Cathy Marie Aleff. NCHA Legal Counsel Jim Morris was also present for this call.

President Ron Pietrafeso called the meeting to order at 5:04PM and thanked everyone for their time and joining the call.

PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO SHOW RULES

NCHA Legal Counsel Jim Morris led the discussions with recent situations that have been presented to the NCHA staff for consideration of some of our Show Rules. These unfortunate circumstances (i.e. death of competitor, severe health issue of competitor or extraordinary event occurred) have resulted in harsh and unintended circumstances which led to concerns relating to refunds, late fees and substitution of horses.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION was made by Ernie Beutenmiller and **SECONDED** by Steve Norris to go in to executive session to discuss unintended circumstances with our show rules.

GENERAL SESSION

MOTION was made by Ernie Beutenmiller and **SECONDED** by Rock Hedlund to go back into general session.

President Ron Pietrafeso moved to have all members of the committee respond to their action on the modification to show rules.

Members of the Executive Committee responded as follows:

Matt Miller – death of rider; nothing else
Ernie Beutenmiller – no action, rules need to stay enforced
Ora Diehl – death of rider; nothing else
Byron Green – death of rider
Rock Hedlund – no action
Skip Jones – no, rules need to stay enforced
Tommy Neal – table item
Steve Norris – no, requested to table item

Sharon Overstreet – table item
Lach Perks – table item
Ronnie Smith – table item
Kristen York – table item

President Ron Pietrafeso intervened and assigned a task force committee to consult findings, discuss and make a decision on modification of the show rules. This task force committee consists of the following members: Lach Perks, Tatum Rice, Kristen York, NCHA Director of Shows Shianne Megel and NCHA Executive Director Kirk Slaughter. This committee will report back to the Executive Committee for approval of any changes suggested to the current show rules.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the committee, **MOTION** was made by Rock Hedlund and **SECONDED** by Ora Diehl to adjourn the conference call at 5:37PM. **MOTION PASSED.**