



BOARD MEETING AGENDA
December 12 – 8:00 am CST

Next board meeting January 24, 2023 DFW Hyatt

Roll call: Janet Gunn, Kevin Dukes, Lori Bucholz, Maggie Bellville, Richard Carr, Phil Harris, Cody Parrish, Charles Cannizzaro, Chris Jones, Kelly McDowall, Laina Banks, Denton DeBuhr, Patty Campbell, Michael Tidwell, Kristy Starnes, Dianne Eppers, Clay MacLeod, Carla Wennberg, David Dellin. Staff: Stephanie Lynn, Nicole Barnes, Elise Sheard, Sue Ellen Kaven

Regular Business

President's Message – presented by Gunn

September Minutes meeting – approved as presented

Report of the Association – presented by Lynn – no action

Condensed Financial Report NSBA – presented by Tidwell, net assets up 14% year to date, pressure from increased expenses, donation to NSBA Crisis Fund decreased net income – no action

Consideration to show chart/graph to see trends in financials

Summary Financial report Foundation – no action

Financial report NOHSA – no action

Reports

World Show Report – presented by Barnes, review of payout and participation from 2022 World Show

NOHSA – presented by Lynn/Sheard, exhibition EWD classes to be held at 2023 NOHSA World Show, discussion of changes to qualification

Follow up on task force meetings - Define of Professional/Non Professional

Request for task force from NSBA – EWD Halter rules request

Motion to create EWD Halter task force – motion carries

Foundation Report – presented by Sheard, review of 2023 Board of Directors as well as upcoming Foundation dates

Youth Report – presented by Sheard

Judges Committee Report – presented by Dellin, discussion of minimum qualification list for NSBA World Show judges, review options to allow variances in judges, review conflict options for hired judges, judge liaison/moderator

Rule Change recommendation from Judges Committee:

RANCH HORSE CONFORMATION

For a show to offer this class the show must also offer at least one other NSBA approved Ranch Horse class.

- a) No horse may cross enter into any Performance Halter class at the same show.
2. Classes to be offered are:
 - a) Open Ranch Horse Conformation
 - b) Amateur Ranch Horse Conformation
 - c) Youth Ranch Horse Conformation (geldings and mares only)
 - d) Non Pro Ranch Horse Conformation
3. The purpose of Ranch Horse Conformation is to select well-mannered individuals that are the most positive combination of balance, structural correctness and movement appropriate for various activities of a working ranch horse.
4. The Ranch Horse Conformation class must be held after the conclusion of the other ranch horse classes.
5. To be eligible to compete in ranch horse conformation, the horse must be shown in at least one of the NSBA approved ranch horse classes offered by the show.
6. All sexes will be shown together as one class.
7. Horse to be shown in a good working halter: rope, braided, nylon or plain leather halter. No adornment is allowed on either halter or lead.
8. Horses will walk to the judge(s) one at a time. As the horse approaches, the judge(s) will step aside to enable the horse to trot straight to a cone placed 50 feet away. At the cone, the horse will continue trotting, turn to the left and trot toward the left wall or fence of the arena. After trotting, horses will be lined up head to tail for individual inspection by the judge(s).
9. The judge shall inspect each horse from both sides, front and rear and place the horses in order of preference.
10. This class will not be eligible for Grand and Reserve as all sexes show together.

WESTERN PLEASURE - JUDGING

148. FAULTS

- a) To be scored according to severity:
 - 1) Quick, short vertical strides
 - 2) Being on the wrong lead
 - 3) Break of gait
 - 4) Excessive speed at any gait
 - 5) Excessive slowness at any gait, loss of forward momentum
 - 6) Failure to take the appropriate gait in a timely manner when called for
 - 7) Head carried to high
 - 8) Head carried to low (Tip of ear consistently below the withers)
 - 9) Overflexing or straining neck in head carriage so the nose is carried behind the vertical
 - 10) Excessive nosing out
 - 11) Loss of forward motion during transitions or in the reverse
 - 12) Opening mouth excessively
 - 13) Stumbling
 - 14) A horse which appears sullen, dull lethargic, emaciated, drawn or overly tired
 - 15) A back that is poor, reluctant or with hesitation
 - 16) Overly canted at the lope. (Outside hind leg consistently carried further in than inside front leg)
 - 17) Reins overly draped
 - 18) Touching horse or saddle with free hand
 - 19) Contact with spurs forward of the cinch
 - 20) Loss of cadence at any gate
 - 21) Excessive movement of the topline at the lope
- b) To be severely penalized
 - 1) Blatant disobedience

149. DISQUALIFICATIONS

- a) Changing hands or two hands on reins, except when showing with a hackamore or snaffle bit
- b) More than one finger between the reins
- c) Overflexing or straining neck in head carriage so the nose is carried behind the vertical consistently
- d) Fall to the ground by horse and/or rider. Refer to rule 127 jj)
- e) Failure to back
- f) Excessive schooling or training

HUNTER UNDER SADDLE - JUDGING

217. FAULTS

- a) Faults to be scored according to severity:
 - 1) Quick, short or vertical strides
 - 2) Being on the wrong lead
 - 3) Being on the incorrect diagonal
 - 4) Breaking gait
 - 5) Excessive speed at any gait
 - 6) Excessive slowness in any gait, loss of forward momentum
 - 7) Failure to take the appropriate gait in a timely manner when called for
 - 8) Head carried too high
 - 9) Head carried too low (Tip of ear consistently below the withers)
 - 10) Overflexing or straining neck in head carriage so the nose is carried behind the vertical
 - 11) Excessive nosing out
 - 12) Loss of forward motion during transitions or in reverse
 - 13) Open mouth excessively
 - 14) Stumbling
 - 15) If horse appears sullen, dull, lethargic, emaciated, drawn or overly tired
 - 16) A back that is poor, reluctant or with hesitation
 - 17) Overly canted at the lope. (Outside hind leg consistently carried further in than inside front leg).
- b) To be severely penalized
 - 1) Blatant disobedience
- c) Faults which shall be cause for disqualification, except in novice non pro or novice youth which are faults, scored according to severity:
 - 1) Overflexing or straining neck in head carriage so the nose is carried behind the vertical consistently.
 - 2) Fall to the ground by horse and/or rider. A horse is deemed to have fallen when its shoulder and/or hip and/or underline touches the ground.
 - 3) Failure to back
 - 4) Excessive schooling or training

Motion to approve rule changes as presented, motion approved

Unfinished Business

Horse Medical Record Release – AQHA IP, going to Animal Welfare commission. No action at this time.

New Business

World Show recommendations

Consider qualifying for ranch classes in 2024 – *tabled until January*

Consider combining 2 YO classes for 2023; (BCF, World Show, Limited show concurrently) – *approved as recommended from Executive Committee*

Increase stall fees for 2023 – increase \$50 per stall – *approved as recommended from Executive Committee*

Review whether NSBA should limit the number of entries an exhibitor can show – presented by Lynn – *motion to take no action, motion approved.*

Cowgirls ROC Nomination Form – no action

2023 Hall of Fame Voting page – no action

EC recommendations:

Increase membership: Regular \$65 to \$75, Youth/Family \$35 \$40, 3 Year \$175 to \$200

Increase registration/transfer/name change: \$35 to \$45

Increase rush fees: \$35 to \$45

Effective 1/1/23 – approved.

International affiliate program – Recommendation to remove International Affiliate Association (rule 406) with a task force to recreate program

Facilitate opportunities for an exhibitor based forum – two way communication, discussed need for feedback to the exhibitors.

Meeting adjourns 2:35pm

Announcements

Tentative 2023 Board Meeting Dates:

- *January 24, 2023 – DFW Hyatt*
- *April 25, 2023 – Weatherford Office*
- *September 19, 2023 – Denver SPUR Center together with NSBA Foundation*
- *December 9, 2023 – Las Vegas in conjunction with Tomorrows Horsemen Class II graduation*