



**COWBOY STATES REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING
1/9/2016 12:00 PM**

Roll Call

<u>Present:</u>	<u>Excused:</u>	<u>Absent:</u>	<u>Guest:</u>
Gordon Hinders			
George Pfeiffer			
Nancy Pfeiffer			
Peggy Peterson			
Brenda Leonhardt			
Nanette Till			
Christin Brubaker	x		
Mark Nicholson	x		
Collie Vinger	x		
Debbie Russell	x		
Ryane Clark			

It was noted that Debbie Russell is not especially interested in working as a CSRHA Board of Director. She will do so unless we cannot find anyone else.

President Gordon Hinders asked Ryane Clark to be the presidential appointee for 2016. She accepted the position.

The CSRHA had a number of agenda items to cover, with the establishment of new committee appointees to start this first meeting in 2016. Keep in mind these committees will all welcome new members as everyone is encouraged to get involved! Please contact any one of the officers or BODs if interested in joining a committee. At this time, the committees established include:

- Show/Events, Show Rules & Bylaw Amendment Proposals, Bylaws: George Pfeiffer, Gordon Hinders, Nanette Till
- Banquet/Year End: Nancy Pfeiffer, Brenda Leonhardt, Peggy Peterson
- Website: Kathy Nicholson
- Nominations/Elections: Peggy Peterson
- Newsletter: Peggy Peterson
- Historian: Peggy Peterson
- Fundraising/Sponsorships: Nancy Pfeiffer, Peggy Peterson, Nanette Till, Brenda Leonhardt. Nancy Pfeiffer will also ask Christin Brubaker to help.
- Ad Hoc Committee: Youth Committee to be organized with Gordon Hinders and Brenda Leonhardt. Nancy Pfeiffer will also ask Deb Purdy to join the Youth Committee.
- Membership/Points: George Pfeiffer and Brenda Leonhardt. The CSRHA will have a simpler system for cataloging points:

Placing	Points
1 st place	10 points
2 nd place	9 points
3 rd place	8 points
4 th place	7 points
5 th place	6 points
6 th place	5 points
7 th place	4 points
8 th place	3 points
9 th place	2 points
10 th place	1 point

CALL TO ORDER

President Gordon Hinders called the meeting to order at 12:30 PM.

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:

Minutes from the December 22, 2015 meeting were reviewed.

Nanette Till had one correction. On page 3 under "New Business" she outlined that there will be 13 CSRHA classes used for year-end awards (rather than 17 as listed). There were no additional changes or corrections.

George Pfeiffer made a motion to accept the meeting minutes with correction. Nancy Pfeiffer seconded. Meeting minutes stand approved with correction.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Show Account balance 12/21/2015:	\$554.67
General Account balance 12/21/2015:	\$1612.54
*Outstanding payable for general account:	<u>\$ 15.00</u>
Projected General Account balance:	\$1597.54

*\$15.00 teleconference expense

- All year-end awards have been paid.
- All paperwork to transfer accounts to new president and treasurer has been completed.
 - Treasurer Nancy Pfeiffer has received the checks.
 - They are the type that can be run through a computer.
 - It was determined that carbon copy checks would be adequate.
 - Nancy has not yet received the CSRHA credit card.
 - There was discussion on cancelling the credit card, but decided to keep it active due to the necessity of having a credit card to reserve motel rooms and flights.
 - The new credit card will be reissued with a new number and new names.
 - Debit cards have been cancelled.

- CSRHA has been using both Pinnacle Bank and First Bank of Wyoming for the accounts.
 - Ryane Clark advised that Reliant Federal Credit Union gives free checks to the Central Wyoming Performance Horse Club, a 501c3 organization.
 - Gordon Hinders will talk to First Bank of Wyoming regarding a price on carbon copy checks.
 - The CSRHA will consolidate the accounts to the same bank.
 - Nancy Pfeiffer will visit with First Interstate Bank to see what they can offer.
 - With Treasurer, Nancy Pfeiffer living near Sheridan, Wyoming, it was determined that it would be much more convenient for her to do the CSRHA banking with a local bank.

There was no further discussion on the Treasurer’s report. Peggy Peterson made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s report as published. Brenda Leonhardt seconded. Treasurer’s report stands approved.

Old Business:

- None

New Business:

- NRHA affiliate forms (Nanette Till) – all paperwork is due to the NRHA by January 30, 2016. Nanette will ensure this is all packaged and mailed via registered mail.
 - Affiliate Application
 - All officers and BODs present provided their names, mailing addresses, NRHA membership number, and email addresses on this form.
 - Agreement of Affiliation – requirements:
 - 25 NRHA members in good standing
 - \$100 affiliate dues
 - NRHA paperwork to include:
 - Affiliate Application
 - Agreement of Affiliation
 - Affiliate Bylaws
 - Affiliate Circuit Application
 - Circuit shows
 - Show dates
 - Show locations

Date	Show	Location
June 2-3, 2016	Hurry, Wait, & Whine Slide with SDQHA	Rapid City, South Dakota
July 2, 2016	Rimview Spectacular with CMRHA	Billings, Montana
August 6, 2016	Hot Springs Slide	Thermopolis, Wyoming

- CSRHA sponsors
 - Sponsorship levels will need to be reviewed by the Fundraising/Sponsorship Committee at a later date (Nancy Pfeiffer, Nanette Till, Brenda Leonhardt, Peggy Peterson).
 - Nancy Pfeiffer put the show program together in the past. Since the CSRHA is not hosting the show in Gillette for 2016, there is not a need for a show specific flyer/program. Nancy suggested the CSRHA have a Membership Directory that would indicate what the CSRHA is all about. She would like to solicit articles from each year-end award winner with their

- photo. She will ask Kathy Nicholson to design the directory and have it completed prior to the first show of 2016 (June 2-3). A few copies would be available at each show. It would also include sponsorships, ads, saddle sponsors, member information, etc. The cost would be similar to the CSRHA past show programs (less than \$100).
- Nancy Pfeiffer made a motion to make a Membership Directory to include sponsors, member accomplishments, ads, etc. that will be made available to ALL members. Nanette Till seconded. Motion passed.
 - Nancy Pfeiffer will send the 2015 sponsorship spreadsheet to the other committee members to give an idea of who the sponsors were and assign points-of-contact for 2016.
 - 501c3 (Ryane Clark)
 - Ryane Clark and Nancy Pfeiffer will work on applying for a 501c3 status with the IRS for the CSRHA. There is a one-time fee of \$400 for this application.
 - Ryane applied for and was granted a 501c3 for the CWPHC.
 - She can modify the forms for the CSRHA to apply.
 - The advantages to the CSRHA would include:
 - CSRHA expenses would be tax deductible.
 - Businesses and individuals would be able to write-off their donations to the CSRHA.
 - The CSRHA would be able to apply for grants.
 - Peggy Peterson made a motion to grant Ryane Clark the permission to apply for a 501c3 status with the IRS. George Pfeiffer seconded. Motion passed.
 - Bub Poplin clinic April 15-16, 2016 (Ryane Clark)
 - Ryane provided 30+ copies of flyers for all present to distribute in their areas.
 - This clinic is hosted by both the CWPHC and the CSRHA, but all profits will go to the CSRHA (thank you, Ryane).
 - Stopping ground is the concern and will be a good test for the August show; however, at this time, the August show is being planned for the outdoor arena.
 - At this time, the Hot Springs County Fairgrounds staff is not willing to help the CSRHA with ground conditions in the indoor arena.
 - It was decided that Nanette Till will speak to the Hot Springs Chamber of Commerce about this issue and that the CSRHA should join the Hot Springs Chamber of Commerce (\$50). This will allow the CSRHA to receive a grant and advertising.
 - Nanette Till made a motion to approve a membership with the Hot Springs Chamber of Commerce (\$50 expense). George Pfeiffer seconded. Motion approved.
 - There was discussion about what equipment is needed, what is available from the fairgrounds, and what equipment can be provided by the officers/BODs. Options included:
 - Ryane Clark – 6' TR3 drag
 - George Pfeiffer – 12' Kiser drag
 - 50 hp or bigger tractor is needed
 - Riverton John Deere and/or New Holland dealers
 - Bill Smith
 - Matt Brown
 - Bridgette Benson – 16' TR3 with tractor
 - Water truck may be necessary – Ryane to ask fairgrounds
 - Anyone who can provide necessary equipment will receive advertising in the Membership Directory, a banner, and listed on the CSRHA website as a major sponsor.
 - Renee Pipinich clinic (Nanette Till)

- Date to be determined
- Format and cost to be determined
- Friday night (April 8) judge's seminar
- Lunch served at the ranch
- 4-5 outdoor pens/sheds available for out of town riders
- Horse boarding/cabins available east of Cody
- 2-3 LQ hook-ups will be available
- Hot Springs Slide with clinic August 6-7, 2016 (Peggy Peterson)
 - A reasonable cost of a NRHA judge ranges from \$250-500/day + expenses
 - Additional options:
 - Dan Mayer
 - Mac Weaver
 - Chuck Nesmith
 - Andi Paul
 - Tom Foran
 - Guy Vernon
 - Steve/Dori Schwartzberger
 - George King (NRHA judge only)
 - Peggy has contacted a number of previously suggested judges, but has heard nothing back to date.
- CSRHA club classes for year-end awards (Nanette Till)
 1. Green Horse (\$200 limit on horse)
 2. Green Reiner (\$100 limit on rider and have to be a Non Pro)
 3. Rookie Level 2 (\$1500 limit)
 4. Non Pro
 5. Limited Non Pro
 6. Prime Time Non Pro
 7. Novice Horse Non Pro Level 1 (\$5000 limit)
 8. Novice Horse Open Level 1 (\$5000 limit)
 9. Open
 10. Limited Open
 11. Youth 13 and Under
 12. Youth 14-18
 13. Short Stirrup
 - The year-end champion saddle will be awarded to the high point Rookie Level 2 OR the high point Green Reiner. The saddle will be purchased from Tim at Equine Oasis and have the CSRHA logo on the fender. The saddle will be shown at the upcoming awards banquet and all 2016 shows for all to see.
 - Gordon Hinders will talk with Shawn McClurg with the Central Montana Reining Horse Association to ensure their classes will correspond with the CSRHA classes for the July 2 show.
 - Nancy Pfeiffer made a motion for saddle donations to be run through the CSRHA account with the cost of the saddle being paid through sponsors for tax purposes. Peggy Peterson seconded. Motion passed.
- Miscellaneous (Gordon Hinders)
 - Gordon Hinders received an email from Kristy Wheeler regarding Kirk Hall, a cow horse rider, who competed at the 2015 Energy City Classic and Derby.

- Kirk Hall competed in the Rookie Professional AND the Green Reiner classes, and is currently winning the year-end Green Reiner class, but is an open rider. This error was made by show secretary, Betty Mayer.
- The CSRHA needs to make a motion to scratch Kirk Hall from the 2015 Green Reiner class, but he needs to be contacted and informed of this decision. All money and prizes should be forfeited according to the NRHA, but at this late date, the CSRHA will not pursue the prizes.
- Gordon Hinders will contact Kirk Hall to inform him of this error and the CSRHA's decision.
- George Pfeiffer made a motion to scratch Kirk Hall from the Green Reiner class for the 2015 year-end award. Peggy Peterson seconded. Motion passed.
- CSRHA Membership
 - The following items will be emailed to everyone (not just CSRHA members). Everyone is encouraged to forward emails to their contacts who are interested in getting involved.
 - Banquet Invitation
 - Membership Application
 - CSRHA letter
 - Updated committee list (Brenda Leonhardt to update)
 - Outline trophy saddle and NRHA affiliate designation due date in body
 - This information will also be submitted to the Central Montana Reining Horse Association (Cathy McClurg) to share with their members.
- Awards Banquet 3/12/2016
 - The group discussed the schedule for the 2016 awards banquet and expressed concerns about balancing the schedule with duties that need to be completed at home.
 - The schedule will be revised as follows:
 - 4:30 pm: cocktails
 - 5:00 pm: general membership meeting
 - 6:00 pm: dinner
 - 7:00 pm: awards
 - George Pfeiffer will contact Tom Balding for a live auction item. If he can donate one, his banner will be hung at all 3 shows and he will have an ad in the show programs.
- Miscellaneous
 - Ryane Clark volunteered to design items that need to be put on paper for the CSRHA to include show bills, flyers, etc.

Next meeting: February 10, 2016 via teleconference. Dial 951/797-1058 with passcode 681306.

ADJOURN:

Peggy Peterson made a motion to adjourn. Nancy Pfeiffer seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 2:20 PM.