



**COWBOY STATES REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING (TELECONFERENCE)
2/10/2016 7:00 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			
Mark Nicholson			
Collie Vinger			
*Debbie Russell	x		
Ryane Clark			

*Since it was noted that Debbie Russell is not interested being a CSRHA Board of Director from the January meeting, the issue will be brought up at the general membership meeting on March 12 with hopes of filling this vacancy.

CALL TO ORDER

President Gordon Hinders called the meeting to order at 7:08 PM.

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:

Minutes from the January 9, 2016 meeting were reviewed.

- Collie Vinger inquired about the 501c3 status of the Central Wyoming Performance Horse Club. Ryane Clark confirmed this and added that the Wind River Performance Horse Club has been a 501c3 for the last 12 years.
- Nancy Pfeiffer made a correction. The Hurry, Wait, and Whine Slide will be in conjunction with the Center of the Nation Quarter Horse Association (not the South Dakota Quarter Horse Association).

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

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- Treasurer, Nancy Pfeiffer reported that despite the discussion about consolidating the two accounts into one, it will be easier to keep two, mainly due to the year-end tax preparations. Profit/Loss Statements are necessary for horse shows, year-end awards, and monies raised, so she will keep the accounts separate for now.
- Nancy has received \$1100 in donations for the saddle to date. These funds have been deposited in the General Account due to this being a year-end award. The cost of the saddle is \$1150 which includes shipping expenses. Nanette Till reported that she has another \$100 sponsor, which means she raised \$1200 for the saddle. Nancy has received the invoice from Oasis Equine and will be sending them a check.
- Larry Brubaker chose to donate the \$480 outstanding check back to the CSRHA in Christin Brubaker's name. This will be considered a sponsorship.

- Gordon Hinders received an email regarding the club's credit card being sent to Nancy. He placed a limit of \$1500 on the card.
- Brenda Leonhardt reported that she has 10 membership checks (\$250) that she will be sending to Nancy Pfeiffer as well.

Show Account balance 2/10/2016: \$1092.14

General Account balance 2/10/2016: \$2679.06

There was no further discussion on the Treasurer's report. Ryane Clark made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as published. Nanette Till seconded. Treasurer's report stands approved.

Old Business:

- 501c3 status
 - Ryane Clark spoke to the NRHA's accounting department regarding the 501c3. There has not been another affiliate that has been accepted for 501c3 status before, but the NRHA representative explained that the verbiage needs to be exact on the application. Other than that, she did not foresee any issues with the CSRHA applying.
 - Ryane and Nancy reviewed the CSRHA's accounting to check into the requirement of having gross receipts of less than \$50,000 per year to get the reduced application fee of \$400. The 2015 Energy City Classic and Derby event had receipts of \$60,000 so this eliminates the club from being able to qualify for the reduced application fee of \$400. The application fee will be \$800.
 - George Pfeiffer explained that the CSRHA most likely will not have the gross receipts we had in 2015 and suggested we wait until 2017 to apply.
 - Ryane explained that if the CSRHA goes over \$50,000, we would have to re-apply.
 - George Pfeiffer does not see this happening in the near future.
 - Nancy Pfeiffer expressed her concern about the club not having the extra money to apply at this time.
 - Ryane Clark said that we could certainly put this decision off for another time and made a motion to postpone the application. Nancy seconded. All agreed. The CSRHA will not apply for a 501c3 status in 2016. This will be revisited at another time.
- Bub Poplin clinic
 - Ryane Clark reported that Stotz Equipment in Riverton will provide a tractor if they have one available at no charge to the CSRHA. She inquired about a back-up in the event one is not available at Stotz.
 - The Hot Springs County Fairgrounds contact (Marv) informed Ryane that they will most likely not get the footing in the indoor arena to pack as there is 7" of river sand in the arena at this time.
 - Ryane would still like to find a Kiser Edge drag, but is concerned about the footing at the arena.
 - Brenda Leonhardt has a contact in Thermopolis. They have an indoor arena with a tractor and drag. She will contact them this week to get more information.
 - George Pfeiffer advised that we will need a 60hp tractor or bigger.
 - Peggy Peterson asked about the possibility of using the outdoor arena.
 - Ryane thought that the dates are too early to feel safe with the outdoor. She advised that the clinic will have to be inside; we will just not have stopping ground.
 - Gordon Hinders asked about how many have signed up. Ryane has received a number of calls about the clinic, but has not received any application or deposits at this time. The applications have just recently become available to the public. If participation is too low, she will consider changing the schedule to just one day or cancel the event all together.
 - Peggy Peterson asked about the facility north of town and referenced a flyer Nanette Till and Gordon Hinders shared. [The Bucking S, LLC dba Hot Springs Farm and Equestrian Arena, 423 Highway 20 N – just 4 miles north of Thermopolis and owned by Silke Simon]
 - Ryane reminded us that the fairgrounds arena in Thermopolis is a nice place for an event due to the indoor stalling available.

- Christin Brubaker informed us all that Newcastle has an indoor facility with a tractor and a Kiser drag.
 - There was concern about folks traveling that far for the clinic and ground conditions.
 - Christin explained that the arena is certainly large enough (90 x 200 or 250) and the ground is really nice. They also have indoor stalling. The area also has a number of motels. The fairgrounds has several buildings where we could have the judge's seminar.
 - Ryane Clark and Christin Brubaker will visit about options for this clinic off-line and report back to the board.
- Awards Banquet
 - Peggy Peterson reported that she has only received one reservation for the banquet at this time.
 - Ryane Clark suggested we may have to split up the membership list and start making calls to remind folks to make their reservations for the banquet.
 - Nancy Pfeiffer suggested that there is a possibility that the invitation was missed as Peggy submitted an email to the membership with several attachments. She suggested Peggy send out another email with JUST the year end/banquet invitation attached.
 - Peggy will also submit hard copies to the members via the USPS.
 - Collie Vinger informed us that the Yellowstone Reining Horse Association sends hard copies to their membership for their year-end banquet.
 - Nanette Till made a motion that Peggy print the invitations and mail them to the membership (with the exception of the officers and board). George Pfeiffer seconded. Brenda Leonhardt will email Peggy the most recent membership list to ensure all receive an invitation.
- Membership
 - Brenda Leonhardt has received 12-13 membership applications as of this date.
 - George Pfeiffer expects a number of people will renew at the banquet next month.
 - Nancy Pfeiffer reminded us that a number of people renew at the first horse show.
- CSRHA Club Classes
 - CSRHA club classes were discussed at the January 9 meeting. Nanette Till informed us that the Green Reiner class needs to be specified as a Level 2, due to the year-end saddle award.
- 2015 Energy City Classic & Derby
 - Kirk Hall has been contacted regarding his ineligibility for the Green Reiner class. Kirk is an open level rider and was not eligible for that year-end award. Kirk understood the issue and will be showing at the Hurry, Wait, and Whine show in Rapid City with no hard feelings.
 - Mark Nicholson will build another bit for the CSRHA Green Reiner year end award resulting from this issue.
- Membership Directory
 - Nancy Pfeiffer reported that she has contacted the 2015 year-end award winners. The majority has responded favorably and will be submitting a photo and an article for the directory. She has already received 2 articles and 2 photos and will be sending this to Kathy Nicholson.

New Business:

- Hurry, Wait, and Whine Slide
 - The CSRHA Show Committee (Gordon Hinders, George Pfeiffer, and Nanette Till) met today (2/10) in Cody and completed the NRHA application for the Hurry, Wait, and Whine Slide which will be held in Rapid City on June 3 -4. This show will be a jack pot with no added money.
 - George Pfeiffer will email CSRHA secretary with the list of classes, but the following is what was discussed:

NRHA/CSRHA class	AQHA class	Date	Class Fee	Judge's Fee	Pattern
NRHA Open	Senior Reining	6/3	\$35	\$30	1
CSRHA Open			\$20		
NRHA Limited Open			\$35	\$30	
CSRHA Limited Open			\$20		
NRHA Non Pro	Amateur Reining	6/3	\$35	\$30	6
CSRHA Non Pro			\$20		
NRHA Limited Non Pro			\$35	\$30	
CSRHA Limited Non Pro			\$20		
NRHA Prime Time Non Pro			\$35	\$30	
CSRHA Prime Time Non Pro			\$20		
NRHA Rookie Level 1	Novice Amateur Reining	6/3	\$20		5
CSRHA Rookie Level 1			\$20		
NRHA Rookie Level 2			\$20		
CSRHA Rookie Level 2			\$20		
NRHA Youth 13 & Under	Youth 18 & Under	6/3	\$10	\$0	4
CSRHA Youth 13 & Under			\$20		
NRHA Youth 14-18			\$10		
CSRHA Youth 14-18			\$20		
NRHA Short Stirrup 10 & Under	N/A	6/3	\$10		14
CSRHA Short Stirrup 10 & Under			\$20		
NRHA Novice Horse Open L1	Senior Reining	6/4	\$35	\$30	9
CSRHA Novice Horse Open L1			\$20		
NRHA Novice Horse Non Pro L1	Amateur Reining	6/4	\$35	\$30	3
CSRHA Novice Horse Non Pro L1			\$20		
NRHA Green Reiner	N/A	6/4	\$20		8
CSRHA Green Reiner			\$20		
CSRHA Green Horse	N/A	6/4	\$20		5
NRHA Freestyle Non Pro	N/A	6/4	\$55	\$30	N/A

- The Show Committee tried to separate classes so the CSRHA year-end award classes were not all on the same day. Riders may compete as a CSRHA club event, a NRHA event, and/or as a AQHA event as they see fit. To qualify for the CSRHA year-end awards, they will have to be CSRHA members.
- There was discussion on the timeframe for this show and if it will be held in both arenas (indoor and outdoor). George Pfeiffer advised us that the indoor arena is not available; they are having a barrel race that weekend. Mark Nicholson reminded us that the cost of the indoor arena is \$1700 per day.
- Note that the CSRHA entry fees of \$20 per class will be retained by the CSRHA and used for year-end award purchases.
- Gordon discussed these classes with Mary in Rapid City regarding running the reining classes in the middle of the day, each day.
- Show Rules
 - Gordon Hinders and Nanette Till reviewed the fact that the CSRHA was in need of some editing of the club's show rules and needed board approval. The Show Committee reviewed the rules and made corrections to apply for 2016 and changed some of the club classes. Class descriptions were also changed and updated accordingly. Collie Vinger will make these corrections and send to Kathy Nicholson to place on the CSRHA website.
 - Nancy Pfeiffer made a motion that we accept the changes made by the Show Committee, with the understanding that they can be revisited, if necessary. Collie Vinger seconded. Motion passed.

- Hot Springs Slide and clinic
 - Peggy Peterson and Brenda Leonhardt met on Saturday, February 6 to sketch out a plan for the show.
 - NRHA paperwork for this show is due by May 6 (90 days prior to the event)
 - Cathy McClurg will be the show secretary for a \$250 fee
 - Cathy will need a room for Friday and Saturday nights
 - Cathy will need a meal ticket
 - She asked that we email her a show bill when we can
 - Chuck Nesmith will be the NRHA judge and clinician
 - \$200 fee to judge/\$600 fee for clinic and \$.50/mile to travel
 - Chuck will need a horse for the clinic
 - He would like to limit the clinic to 15 riders
 - Chuck will need a room for Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nights
 - Chuck will need a meal ticket
 - Peggy and Brenda would like to meet with the board prior to the meeting on March 12 to finalize paperwork for this event.
 - Brenda Leonhardt added that she has a contact with a food wagon. She will contact her this week.
 - Nancy Pfeiffer asked for a budget from Peggy Peterson and Brenda Leonhardt as we need to target a goal for fund raising.
- Fundraising
 - Ryane Clark inquired about the possibility of a stallion auction.
 - Gordon Hinders explained that they had some stallion auctions when he was in Idaho, but they did not really work well unless the club offers a Stallion Stakes. He did not think the CSRHA was big enough to justify a stallion auction, but it is certainly worth thinking about in the future.
 - Ryane Clark inquired about a raffle and talked about asking a rancher for a ½ or whole beef as this type of donation has done well with the CWPHC. Christin Brubaker will check with her father-in-law about this type of donation for the club.

Next meeting: March 12, 2016 at 5:00 pm at The Irma in Cody, Wyoming.

ADJOURN:

George Pfeiffer made a motion to adjourn. Ryane Clark seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 8:27 PM.