



BOARD MEETING minutes
Sheraton Hotel, Irving, TX
December 10, 2016

Regular Business

President's Message – Welcome from Allen Mitchels, discussed change of location for judges testing; importance of communication from board with the office.

Roll Call – Allen Mitchels, Charles Cannizzaro, Randy Wilson, David Dellin, Clay MacLeod, Chris Darnell, Justin Billings, Susan Johns, Carla McMullen, Kelly McDowall, Bill Cosentino, Scott Myers, Carly Parks, Shane Pope, Jon Barry, Doug Huls, Bill Kaven, John Dobbs, Jeff Allen, Dianne Eppers (staff), Stephanie Lynn (staff)

Minutes from September meeting presented by Allen Mitchels– Motion to approve, motion carries.

Report of the Association – presented by Eppers. No action.

Financial report – presented by Scott Myers - Motion to approve, motion carries.

Foundation financial report – presented by Dianne Eppers - Motion to approve, motion carries.

Old Business

Long Range Planning Session – presented by Eppers - Discussion of additional NSBA shows; additional halter classes in NSBA approved classes; color horse futurity discussed; discussed creation of package for weekend shows to hold NSBA shows with NSBA classes and dual approved breed classes; discussion about protecting the brand, importance of being user friendly. No action.

Western Pleasure Individual Work Class – presented by Eppers – NSBA board of directors is not in support of the class as presented at this time. Recommend to be reviewed as a pattern class similar to the existing Green Pattern class that is currently offered in NSBA. There will be a meeting with AQHA, APHA, PtHA, ApHC on Dec 9 to discuss further. No action.

World Show Update – presented by Eppers - Discussion of increase in show numbers in 2016. Challenges for 2017 will be additional stalling needs and additional riding areas. Staff to work with the Tulsa facility to accommodate the needs. Recommend to remove the Get of Sire class due to lack of growth in participation numbers. No action.

Yearling Sale update – presented by Eppers – Sale average \$9,200. Recap of the Yearling Sale: introduced in 2013 with a goal of offering 100 BCF eligible yearlings. 2013 graduates payout was \$68,500, 2014 graduates payout was \$92,860, 2015 graduate payout \$107,000 and 2016 graduates will payout \$102,203. No action.

Riders Cup update – presented by Eppers – Board previously approved to move 2016 Riders Cup to December 1-4 in conjunction with the Georgia Classic in Perry, GA. The show saw new exhibitors receive large payouts. Many felt that due to the length of time at the Congress and AQHA world show, many exhibitors were exhausted from being on the road. Motion to let the Executive Committee work on repackaging the Riders Cup and to recommend a location for 2017. Motion carries.

Area Directors – presented by Eppers – The area directors program will be reinstated. Recognize the importance of regional involvement. Directors both regional and board will be asked to do tasks in future examples: bring in new dual approved show, new nominations for stallion services, etc. No action.

New Business

Rule Change proposal – presented by Stephanie Lynn –

Rule 38. Every NSBA Dual Approved class with a minimum of \$500 guaranteed added money will receive trophies and/or plaques based on the added money for the class. However, shipping costs incurred for trophies provided to shows outside of the United States will be the responsibility of said shows. In addition, trophy requests added after the show application has been received may be charged the costs incurred for subsequent shipping.

Motion to approve, motion carries.

Rule 111 b) Minimum age of an NSBA Judge is 25. ~~Maximum age is 75, at which time an individual will accept mandatory retirement.~~

Motion to approve, motion carries.

Rule 131. ENGLISH ATTIRE - In the Hunter Under Saddle Class, exhibitors and judges should bear in mind that, at all times, entries are being judged on ability and performance rather than on personal attire. However, riders should wear hunt coats of traditional colors such as navy, dark green, grey, black, or brown, free from adornment which in the judge's opinion is overly distracting, breeches of traditional shades (buff, khaki, light gray, rust or canary), high hunt boots and black or brown hunting cap is mandatory. A tie or choker is required. Gloves, spurs of the unrowelled type, and crops or bats are optional. Hair must be neat and contained. Judges must penalize contestants who do not conform.

Motion to approve, motion carries.

TRAIL EVENTS

185. THREE YEAR OLD TRAIL

ELIGIBILITY

a) Three year old stallion, mare or gelding that is registered with a NSBA recognized breed association.

b) Horses must be ridden with a snaffle bit or bosal as described under NSBA Western equipment rules (Rule #132). These horses are not restricted as to the type of equipment used while riding in other classes.

Motion to approve, motion carries.

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Rule 266. GENERAL RULES FOR TACK AND EQUIPMENT (EWD)

English and western equipment and attire will follow rules as set forth in the rulebook with the exception of EWD acceptable adaptation equipment.

a) Helmet: Exhibitors must wear a properly fitted and fastened with harness, ASTM approved protective helmet. A western hat may be affixed over the helmet in western events. Equipment should conform to the riding ability of the competitor and be suitable for the horse.

- b) Halter: All horses when ridden must wear a halter in a manner that does not interfere with reining of the horse. A halter must be on the horse either over or under the bridle for use by the handler if needed. All exhibitors should be able to hold reins.
- c) Bits or Bosal: A snaffle bit, curb bit or bosal/hackamore may be used no matter the age of the horse.
- d) Exhibitors are allowed to ride with one or two hands at any time during the class. Except for snaffle or hackamore entries, only one hand may be used on the reins and the hand may not be changed, (See rule #132). However, use of two hands will not be cause for disqualification but will be scored according to severity.
- e) Exhibitors are allowed to hold the saddle with either hand without penalty.
- f) Outside assistance will be penalized at the judge's discretion.
- g) EWD Acceptable adaptive equipment includes but not limited to:
Motion to approve, motion carries.

Rule 268. Patterns (EWD)

268. - All patterns must be posted one hour before the class. One of the suggested EWD patterns(s) ~~must~~may be used, however a judge in concert with the show management may utilize a different pattern using the acceptable maneuvers.

Motion to approve, motion carries.

Crisis Fund Assistance – presented by Eppers; 2016 distributions to Chele McGaully and E.H. Pait; grateful to those who contribute, Tom Powers annual fund raiser. No action.

Judges Committee Report – presented by Allen Mitchels. No action.

Youth Report – presented by Cindy Cosentino – New officers announced for 2017. Youth will develop a newsletter and continue with Operation Gratitude for 2017 with focus on No action.

Foundation Report – presented by Stephanie Lynn - New foundation members for 2017; foundation in its infancy in its ability to help NSBA members. No action.