

## NATRC National Board Minutes April 5, 2022 Zoom Monthly Summary

CALL TO ORDER by President John Zeliff at 6:32 p.m. CDT.

ROLL CALL. Angie Meroshnekoff, Jamie Dieterich, Bob Insko, Lory Walls, Cathy Cumberworth, Bill Wingle, Cara Liebman, R4 Alternate, Fran Muench, Kris Gray, Marla Stucky, John Zeliff, and Sarah J. Smith, Executive Director. Esther Diaguila joined late. Kim Murphy excused.

WELCOME AND MISSION STATEMENT by Zeliff. During our February meeting we forgot to approve our November 13, 2021 meeting minutes. **Motion by Walls to approve, second by Muench. Motion carried.**

DANGEROUS HORSE POLICY. Wingle. Currently on version 20, so we need to wrap this up. The board needs to decide whether to go with Option 1 or Option 2. Discussion about obtaining a signature and the liability around that. There should be a witness when the manager has the discussion with the rider at the ride to protect the manager. Option 2 appears to be the most appropriate language. Adding into the policy that the rider/handler will be sent a letter by certified mail of the incident and action being taken. Adjusted the witness and rider signature requirements. Edited file saved in NBOD 2-2022 file as OB.1 Dangerous equine policyV21. **Motion by Wingle to approve V21 Dangerous Horse Policy, second by Diaguila. Motion carried.**

PROPOSED RULE CHANGES. Wingle. Two rule proposals need revisiting. One is the scorecard adjustment regarding Trail Maneuvering and Behavior which was contested at the February meeting. Without the board members on board, there is no point on moving forward with the proposal. However, the board must communicate clear support for the committee and their work. The rule proposal will be tabled, but we will continue forward with the pilot study.

Two is the denial or revocation of sanctioning. It was added per the request of the sanction committee.

### SECTION 2 – SANCTIONED RIDES AND CLINICS

#### A. Rides:

1. Sanctioning
  - e. In order that rule standardization will prevail on all sanctioned rides, competitors, chairs and judges must comply with all rules as outlined herein.
  - f. Rule violations may cause ~~denial or revocation of sanction of the ride with~~ loss of **placings, points, and mileage** to the competitors.
  - g. Failure to comply with established NATRC sanctioning guidelines ~~may cause denial or revocation of sanction up to 14 days prior to the ride date may cause denial or revocation of sanction. Further failure to comply with sanctioning guidelines or rules will cause a review of the ride by the sanction chair, executive committee, and representative from the judges committee. The review committee will render a judgement on allowing placings, points, and mileage.~~

**Motion by Walls to carry the proposal forward, second by Diaguila. Motion carried.**

JUDGES COMMITTEE. Dieterich/Walls. The video is on hold due to the confusion associated with the horse scorecard revisions. They haven't started discussions on increasing the judging pool and creating a task force for doing that; it needs to be discussed among the veterinarians.

WSTF PARTNERSHIP. Gray. Ad for the annual Tevis Forum publication will be free with the partnership. LeeAnn Dreadfulwater and Bev Roberts have created the new ad and are submitting it shortly to make the deadline. We already have the Tevis ad and it is ready for *Hoof Print*.

CONVENTION 2023. Meroshnekoff. Will be held in Sacramento, CA. A lot of the speakers are lined up, but they are still selecting the final venue.

WEBINARS. Wingle. Requests support for getting topics and seeking presenters. Muench volunteered to help with that, and Wingle will continue to do the technical support.

VIRTUAL CHALLENGES. Murphy. Will have another meeting with Hannah Clark to finalize. Plans will be out very soon for a summer obstacle challenge.

NATRC STORE. Gray. Looking into a Shopify store, but there are associated fees.

Meeting adjourned.