

NCHA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CONFERENCE CALL MINUTES
NOVEMBER 21, 2022
7:00PM Central

A conference call of the Executive Committee of the National Cutting Horse Association was held on Monday, November 21, 2022, beginning 7:00PM central time.

All Executive Committee members were present: President Ted Sokol, President-Elect Toddy Pitard, Vice President Mark Senn, Kristen York, Rock Hedlund, Kirby Smith, John Lavelle, Sharon Overstreet, Tommy Williams, Skip Jones, Kathleen Moore, Ernie Beutenmiller, Cara Brewer, and Casey Green. NCHA Executive Director Jay Winborn, NCHA Treasurer Denise Seiz, and Cathy Marie Aleff were also in attendance for this call.

The Executive Committee meeting was called to order at 7:02PM and roll call was taken.

President Ted Sokol addressed the members with the purpose of the call to discuss the report back from the Weekend Show Committee on their recent directive, review convention cost analysis and get updates from the office.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATES – JAY WINBORN

Executive Director Jay Winborn provided an update on the significant loss of one of own staff members, Director of Judges Sam Rose. Jay extended his appreciation for those that have stepped up to come in and continue the success of our show. To honor of all those, we have lost in 2022, there will be a special presentation during the Open Finals on Saturday, December 10th.

WEATHERFORD PROJECT TASK FORCE – TED SOKOL

President Ted Sokol announced a recent task force that has been appointed to assist with the Weatherford project. This list of diverse members includes Jeremy Barwick, Casey Green, Kevin Knight, John Kratzer and Phil Rapp. Each of these committee members have been notified and will begin work over the next couple of weeks.

WEEKEND SHOW COMMITTEE REPORT – SHARON OVERSTREET

In response to the directive issued to the Weekend Show Committee as a result of the October EC Meeting, the Weekend Show Committee submitted the following recommendations.

DIRECTIVE #1 - The Weekend Show Committee reported that after much discussion, all were in favor of recommending placing a cap of \$125 on the non-added money classes (\$15,000 Amateur, \$35,000 Non-Pro and \$2,000 Limit Rider).

After round table discussions, a **MOTION** was made by Skip Jones and **SECONDED** by Kirby Smith to accept the Weekend Show recommendation to place a cap of \$125 on the non-added money classes (\$15,000 Amateur, \$35,000 Non-Pro, and \$2,000 Limit Rider). **MOTION PASSED.**

DIRECTIVE #2 - The Weekend Show Committee reported that after much discussion, all were in favor of recommending that "Only concurrent classes could be the Non-Pro, Unlimited Amateur and the \$50,000 Amateur offered in some combination of any two (2)."

After more discussions, a **MOTION** was made by Skip Jones and **SECONDED** by Casey Green to accept the Weekend Show Committee's recommendation with the addition of the Select Non-Pro class to be added to the list of three (3) others: Non-Pro, Unlimited Amateur and the \$50,000 Amateur for a combination of any two (2) to run concurrently. **MOTION PASSED.**

Region 3 Executive Committee Member Kirby Smith suggested that the EC issue a directive to the Weekend Show and Affiliate Officers/Secretaries Committee review how the concurrent classes are working with the pros and cons at the weekend level. President Ted Sokol agreed issuing this directive and report findings back to the Executive Committee prior to the convention.

Region 4 Executive Committee Member John Lavelle suggested that the language with regard to the Select Non-Pro be updated to provide a clear understanding of the rule in the official NCHA Rulebook under Standing Rule 8: Additional Recognized Classes (pg. 40). Executive Director Jay Winborn agreed and asked John Lavelle to submit a revision to Julie Davis for consideration.

NCHA CONVENTION COST BREAKDOWN – DENISE SEIZ/CATHY MARIE ALEFF

After reviewing the analysis provided to compare costs, the Executive Committee took action on a **MOTION made** by Toddy Pitard and **SECONDED** by Skip Jones that the 2023 NCHA Annual Convention be held in Las Vegas, NV at the South Point Hotel and Casino on June 23-25, 2023. **MOTION PASSED.**

NCHA NATIONAL CIRCUIT PROGRAM UPDATES – SKIP JONES

Chairman of the National Circuit Program Task Force Committee alongside of Allison Walker has put forth a lot of hours to review, collect feedback and present a final version of the rule changes for the 2023 point year in the Circuit Program including a joint circuit approval form.

The Executive Committee made the decision to support the proposed changes to the National Circuit Program presented with a vote of confidence which was in favor by majority with one member voicing their displeasure on the Joint Circuit Approval Form for the record.

The latest National Circuit Program Rules will be updated on the NCHA website accordingly.

OLD BUSINESS

At this time, there is no old business to bring before the Executive Committee for discussion.

NEW BUSINESS

At this time, there is no new business to bring before the Executive Committee for discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the committee, a **MOTION** was made by Mark Senn and **SECONDED** by Toddy Pitard to adjourn the call at 8:52PM. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**