



**NCHA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 5, 2022
MARRIOTT AT CHAMPION'S CIRCLE – FORT WORTH, TX**

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Cutting Horse Association was held immediately following the Convention on Sunday, June 5, 2022 beginning 12:30PM 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, Director of Shows Shianne Megel and Cathy Marie Aleff were also in attendance for this meeting.

The Executive Committee meeting was called to order at 1:07PM and roll call was taken.

President Ted Sokol began the meeting by introducing the new members to the Executive Committee which included Vice President Mark Senn, At Large Member Cara Brewer, Region 4 Member John Lavelle and Region 8 Member Kathleen Moore.

CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENTS

President Ted Sokol updated the members of the Executive Committee that all will be required to complete an updated copy of the NCHA Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure Agreement for 2022 which will be distributed at this meeting.

Executive Director Jay Winborn expressed the importance of these documents as business is conducted with this board and if there are any questions to reach out to Jay so that they can be addressed.

Jay also welcomed Cara Brewer, Kathleen Moore, Mark Senn and John Lavelle by stating he is looking forward to working with them and if there is anything that he or staff can do, please don't hesitate to let him know.

TENTATIVE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING DATES

After discussions amongst the members, the tentative Executive Committee Meeting dates have been scheduled for 2022-2023.

- August 8-10, 2022 (in-person)
- October 18-19, 2022 (in-person)
- January – TBD (conference call)
- February 28 – March 1, 2023 (in-person)
- June – TBD (in-person)



NCHA CONVENTION

Executive Committee Region 7 Member and acting EC Liaison for the Governance Committee Skip Jones addressed the members of the Executive Committee with a request for a task force to research the future of the convention by issuing a survey distributed to both attendees of the 2022 Annual Convention and to those unable to attend to compile feedback.

President Ted Sokol appointed a Future Convention Task Force Committee with Skip Jones residing as Chair that includes the following members: Skip Jones, Corrie Rousey, Dean Rebhuhn, Toddy Pitard and Cathy Aleff assisting from the NCHA office.

OLD BUSINESS

TASK FORCE REPORTS

President Ted Sokol invited the task force chairs on the Executive Committee to report on each task forces current actions.

Non-Pro Task Force – Sharon Overstreet reported that they currently have a survey in circulation that closes Sunday, June 5th to gather the information necessary to help digest reasons as to why the non pro entries are down on the weekends. As of Saturday, June 4th they have over 1,100 responses. Expectation is to get some good input with ways to incentivize members to enter.

Amateur Task Force – Kristen York stated that the Amateur class is moving forward and the committee will have more to update once the changeover is offered for the pure 50 AM class.

Stallion Foal Task Force – Rock Hedlund reported that this task force has completed all assignments and has been resolved at this time.

Western Nationals Task Force – Rock Hedlund provided an update that the Pacific Coast CHA has developed a survey to aide and assist with the future longevity of the Western Nationals. They have an upcoming meeting to go over the results to put together another list of questions. More to report at the August meeting.

Leveling Task Force – Skip Jones reported that has grown from the original assignment to address everything with leveling. Primary discussions have been focused on entry fees and the roll back issues. Survey responses favored a tiered entry system rather than a single-entry system. They came up with another issue if NCHA should be more consistent with the leveling program across the industry. Consensus from the committee is that we need to continue to run with the program we have in place through the Futurity to allow enough time for more accurate data to research at a later date. It appears that the single-entry system is impacting the non-pro entries but will be able to reconvene and provide more results after the Futurity.

NCHA STRATEGIC PLAN – TED SOKOL

President Ted Sokol updated the members of the Executive Committee that he would be sending out the latest copy of the strategic plan for all to read and be prepared to discuss at the August EC Meeting.

STANDING RULE 13 RECOMMENDED CHANGE

A proposed change to Standing Rule 13 was presented to the Executive Committee to be considered for adoption.

STANDING RULE 13

A Weekend/Championship class may be offered with multiple go-rounds. When a class has more than the standard go-round, a final must be held. The finals may be working or non-working.

In all cases, the number of places paid AND the number taken to any final must be based on the Weekend Mandatory Payout Scale.

For classes held with a 1 go round and a final (working or non-working) the payout must be calculated in one of following two ways:

- a) Available purse is split in half (50% paid in the go round and 50% paid in the final)
OR
- b) Available purse is paid 100% in the final.

For classes held with 2 or more goes and a final (working or non-working), the purse must be split evenly between all goes and the final. Example: 2 goes and a final, purse would be split 3 ways - 33% to each. For 3 goes and a final, purse would be split 4 ways -25% to each, etc.)

Exceptions to the above may be granted to state, regional or county fairs or in the case where a government agency stipulates how its money should be paid.

After continued discussions, a **MOTION** was made by Casey Green and **SECONDED** by Rock Hedlund to adopt this proposed rule change effective immediately and retroactively apply to all current applications received by the NCHA Show department. **MOTION CARRIED by majority with one (1) opposition.**



STANDING RULE 14 RECOMMENDED CHANGE

A proposed change to Standing Rule 14 was presented to the Executive Committee to be considered for adoption.

STANDING RULE 14

Added Money	Maximum Entry Fee % Based On Added Money
\$200 - 300	60%
\$301 - 500	50%
\$501 - 750	40%
\$751 - \$1,000	30%
\$1,001 - \$2,000	25%
\$2,001 - \$3,000	20%
\$3,001 - \$4,000	15%
\$4,001 - \$5,000	12%
\$5,0001 and over	10%

A **MOTION** was made by Casey Green and **SECONDED** by Mark Senn to accept the proposed changes to Standing Rule 14 to adopt raising the maximum entry fee percentages based on added money as presented effective immediately, however for this year will apply to shows that are within the 40 day approval/30 day to make any changes from closing date of entries. **MOTION CARRIED by majority with one (1) opposition.**

NEW BUSINESS

FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Vice President Mark Senn addressed the members of the Executive Committee with a recommendation forthcoming from the Finance and Audit Committee to make a change to the existing cash equities guideline of our investment policy.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the committee, A **MOTION** was made by Ernie Beutenmiller and **SECONDED** by Casey Green to adjourn the meeting. **MOTION CARRIED.**