

NRHA

NATIONAL REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
April 7, 2026, 10:30AM Central
Zoom

Approved April 17, 2026

Present via Zoom: NRHA Executive Committee: Karen Shedlauskas, Mike Hancock, Andrea Stillo, Tom McCutcheon, Casey Hinton, Ed (“Hoot”) Bricker

Guests: Garrett Reed

Staff Present via Zoom: Billy Smith (Commissioner), Christa Morris-Stone (Assistant Commissioner), Alisson Antunez (Executive Assistant), Liz Kelsey (Sr. Director of Medications & Compliance), Lauren Waymire (Manager of Affiliates & Events), John Foy (Chief Financial Officer)

Call to Order: President Mike Hancock called the meeting to order at 10:36 AM Central Time.

A quorum was established.

Executive Session

Agenda Item #1: Appeal of Medications Hearing Panel Decision

Motion: Executive committee to conduct *de novo* review of the appeal of the Hearing Body’s determination.

10:58 AM Central Time Executive Session Concluded and Regular Session Initiated

Regular Session

Agenda Item #1: 2026 NRHA Futurity & Adequan® NAAC Schedule

Motion: To approve the 2026 NRHA Futurity & Adequan® NAAC Schedule with no changes from the previous year

Vote: Approved Unanimously

Agenda Item #2: All-American Quarter Horse Congress Aged Event Approval Application

Motion: *To approve the Category 6 Event.*

Discussion: President Mike Hancock abstained from voting on this item.

New Motion: John Tague moved to hold a Special Meeting of the Board of Directors to address this matter.

Second: Tom McCutcheon

Vote: Motion passed

Proposed Meeting Date: April 15, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. Central Time.

Agenda Item #3: Affiliate Catalyst Granting Program – Polit Authorization

Motion: To approve the implementation of a three-year pilot NRHA Affiliate Granting Program, with funding contingent upon performance benchmarks and subject to annual reporting to the Board of Directors

Motion tabled for further refinement. No vote was taken.

Informational Items

Agenda Item #1: NRHA / AQHA Master Data Sharing and Sponsorship Agreement

Agenda Item #2: Spring Elections Update

Agenda Item #3: Powered by the Pros Infographic

Added Agenda Item: 4-Year-Old Stakes – presented by Karen Shedlauskas & Tom McCutcheon.

Motion: *To approve Option 1 or Option 2.*

Vote: Motion Option 2 Approved Unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 12:01 PM Central Time.