

NATIONAL REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION
NRHA European Affiliate Council Minutes
Conference Call
January 16, 2025

Approved May 22, 2026

Members Present: Rosanne Sternberg, Pietro Marseglia, Bernard Fonck, Annette Andersen, Mariannick Domont-Perret, Isabeau Rohde, Paulus Beurskens, Adrienne Speidel, Maik Bartmann, Markus Schopfer, Anna Fagerlund, Leonardo Arcese, Anna Porola, Rudi Kronsteiner

Members Not Present: Tor Erik Eggen, Agnes Csolle

Staff Present: Samantha Oldfield, Billy Smith

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 3:15pm-15:15CET/8:15amCST.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

A motion is made to approve the consent agenda. The motion is seconded, and all are in favor. The motion passes unanimously.

2026 NRHA European Futurity Conditions

A motion is made to approve the 2026 NRHA European Futurity Conditions with no edits other than updated dates and added money and guaranteed payouts to the Open and Non Pro Level 4 Champions, with the understanding that if the European Futurity Purse Support Program does not provide \$100,000, total added money may be less than \$1,000,000.

Motion seconded, and approved unanimously.

NRHA Board of Directors Voted Medications Policy Updates

An investigatory task force is created to review the changes in detail and present at a future NRHA European Affiliate Council meeting for review and voting. The task force will include:

Maik Bartmann
Markus Schopfer
Mariannick Domont-Perret

Medications Testing in Europe

A motion is made to approve the change in administrative protocol to allow NRHA approved events in Europe to hire their own medication testing teams effective immediately. Motion is seconded and passes unanimously.

NRHA European Bylaws Update

A motion is made to approve, as presented, the NRHA European Bylaw amendments outlined below with the addition of allowing additional terms for the chair, and to vote on the nominated Chair for the 2026–2028 term. This motion is seconded, and passes unanimously.

European Executive Board Seat- Membership Nominated Position

A motion is made approve, by acclamation, Maik Bartmann for the membership-elected position on the NRHA European Executive Board for the 2026–2028 term. This motion is seconded and passes unanimously.

NRHA European Affiliate Council Chair Nomination and Vote

The Council put forward nominations for chair of the NRHA European Affiliate Council to start the “term” as outlined in the bylaws. Nominations received are:

Maik Bartmann

Paulus Beurskens

Rosanne Sternberg

NRHA will send a digital vote for the election of this position following this meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 5:17pm-17:17CET/10:17amCST.