

# Board Meeting Minutes



**Date and Time** 1/12/2025, 10:01 AM

**Venue** Ellis County Fairgrounds, Hays, KS

## MEETING ATTENDEES

## ABSENT

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|------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| • Jared Scheck         | Gregg Tucker       | • Shannon Garten |
| • Kevin Solofra        | Jaiden Perales (L) | • Lynn Sidman    |
| • Mark Riley           | Darcy Settrini     |                  |
| • Norleen Knoll        | Camisha Stevenson  |                  |
| • Howard Sauer         | Aaron Dohm         |                  |
| • Triston Boxum        | Jordan Cameron     |                  |
| • Jordan Hoesli        |                    |                  |
| • Cameryn Kinderknecht |                    |                  |

## VISITORS

Jennifer Dohm, Sandi Tucker, Ian Smith, Melinda Scheck

## CONSENT AGENDA

Mark Riley moved to approve the consent agenda; Riley Cameron seconded. Unanimous vote carried.

## OLD BUSINESS

- Jared Scheck nominated Renee Nichols as parliamentarian.
- Aaron Dohm moved to approve the new rule book as presented. Camisha Stevenson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- Norleen Knoll moved to keep the 2025-26 rule book cost to members at \$5; Camisha Stevenson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- Renee Nichols moved to table discussion of the rule book ordering deadline until after a date has been set for Spring Kickoff. Kevin Solofra seconded. Motion carried.
- Camisha Stevenson moved that KWHA will order an extra 25 books beyond the original order to have on hand. Jordan Cameron seconded. Motion carried.

## NEW BUSINESS

- Renee Nichols moved to approve the scholarship budget of \$3,553 (no more than half of the available budget) to be distributed as the committee decides. Darcy Settrini seconded. Motion carried.
- Renee Nichols moved to table discussion of the awards budget until the committee chair, Jaiden Perales, arrived. Howard Sauer seconded. Motion carried.
- There was discussion about the \$25 show bill fee. In the past, there were 2 different fees: one for a 1-day show and another for a 2-day show. This was to support the cost of the Horseman's Herald. Norleen Knoll remarked that currently, show bills fees cover the website costs. Aaron Dohm moved to keep the \$25 show bill fee; Mark Riley seconded. Motion carried.
- Norleen Knoll presented the bills that have been paid (Kansas Horse Council) and bills to be paid (DL BOD Insurance renewal, non-profit Fee, and NSCA O-Mok-See annual dues). Mark Riley moved to accept the report and pay the bills as needed; Howard Sauer seconded; motion carried unanimously.
- Jordan Hoesli moved to table discussion of the dates of the show season and the postmark/email date of state show entries until the Spring Kickoff date has been set. Jensen Miner seconded. Motion carried.
- At 10:48, Jaiden Perales presented information about last year's award's budget. There was \$8,000 budgeted for state and year end individually. Last year both state

and year end awards came in under budget, so they used the extra allotted money for the state Fast Cash awards that are normally sponsored. Jaiden Perales moved for a budget of \$16,000 (\$9,000 for state show and \$7,000 for yearend). Mark Riley seconded. After further discussion, Jaiden amended her motion to \$16,000 (\$8k both State and Year End, no event prize cost included in State Show budget, with a \$2k contingency). After more discussion, Norleen Knoll called for a vote. 14 yes votes: Mark Riley, Norleen Knoll, Kevin Solofra, Triston Boxum, Gregg Tucker, Jaiden Perales, Darcy Settrini, Camisha Stevenson, Cameryn Kinderknecht, Riley Cameron, Jordan Hoesli, Jordan Cameron, and Jensen Miner. 2 opposed votes: Howard Sauer and Aaron Dohm. Motion carried.

- Jared Scheck presented information about the upcoming USDA Horse Inspection laws and how they may affect the association. Renee Nichols added how the KS Horse Council is addressing the situation. Mark Riley said that if the dates cannot be delayed, then the state show events would need to be changed.
- Renee Nichols presented two new forms for approval: scholarship show bid application and the 2025 show bill. Jaiden Perales moved to accept the forms as presented; Camisha Stevenson seconded. Motion carried.

Jordan Hoesli moved to take 30 min lunch break; Camisha Stevenson seconded; motion carried. Meeting will resume at 12:09.

Camisha Stevenson moved to extend lunch break until 12:20; Howard Sauer seconded; motion carried.

Jared Scheck called the meeting back to order at 12:22.

30-minute break for committee meetings, return at 1 pm.

Mark Riley moved to extend the committee meetings by 15 minutes, seconded by Jensen Minor, motion carried unanimously.

Jared Scheck called the KWHHA BOD meeting back to order at 1:17 pm.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Benefit show:** There are no Benefit Show Bids submitted at this time. Possible benefit show date is June 6-8, 2025. The committee is going to approach Bit & Spur to possibly host a show in Bentley in order to get more membership participation across the state. They are considering the same show bill as that of the state show depending on the events. We will host a Barrel Race on Friday night, will work with the Finance Committee for fundraisers, but possibly a calcutta, triathlon, live auction, and a potluck.

**State show:** Mark Riley reported some action items to be completed by the committee: to set start times, work with Judges Committee for hiring a state show judge, work with the Finance Committee for assistance with fundraisers, with a possible pizza party on Saturday night. Events that have been tentatively selected are subject to change based on previous discussions during the board meeting about the HPA and time limitations based on fundraising activities are Bareback Horsemanship, Western Lead Line, Walk Trot Horsemanship, Horsemanship, Western Pleasure, Arena Race, Lane Barrels, Spur Race, Hay Race, Top & Turn, Kegs, Half 8 Race, Flag Race, Key Race, Figure 8 Stake Race, Two Barrel Flag Race, Pair Sack (single barrel), and Team Speed Barrels. If judged events are pulled due to the HPI Act, other events such as barrels and poles may be added in. All speed events will be timed, and all age groups will participate to include events that are Junior (Bareback Horsemanship and Hay Race).

**Finance:** Norleen Knoll reported these fundraisers: benefit show – live auction and Kiss My Ass; state show – silent auction and calcutta; yearend banquet – club basket auction and Quartermainia (clubs to bring a basket and small item to be a Quartermainia prize). The committee also requested that KWH put \$200 in for additional prizes. Jared Scheck advised that Total Convenience of Victoria would donate the \$200 for prizes for Quartermainia. Norleen Knoll commented that the committee would like to have one main raffle, either a cash, meat, or gun raffle. Camisha Stevenson moved to hold a cash raffle; Mark Riley seconded. Motion carried. Norleen advised that the committee

wants to offer a sponsorship incentive for free entries and stalls at state show. Renee Nichols moved that \$150 in sponsorships would earn free entries, and \$250 dollars would earn free stalls. Kevin Solofra seconded. Motion carried. Norleen also stated that Jared Scheck came up with a stall raffle for state show: \$1 per ticket with a five-ticket limit per individual for an opportunity to win a free stall. There would be 4 drawings for free stalls, and you must be present to win. Tickets will be sold and drawn at Spring Kickoff, Benefit Show, KWHA Scholarship Show and the G&G Scholarship Show.

**Awards:** Jaiden Perales advised the committee will be discussing ideas for awards now that the budget has been set.

**Scholarship:** Cameryn Kinderknecht reported that she has received a Scholarship Show bid from the Salina Rowdy Riders to be held in Bennington on June 6-8. This will need to be discussed as this is the same date as what is suggested for the KWHA Benefit Show. The committee will meet and work out events and work with the Finance committee for fundraisers. Renee Nichols suggested discussing a Buckle Series with both Scholarship Shows and the Benefit Shows to draw more participation.

**Judges:** Gregg Tucker reported that his committee is going to put together a new judge's test, removing some of the old, antiquated questions and adding in new questions that reflect more current changes to the rules of the association. Gregg also stated that they would start looking for a judge for State Show.

**Website/Social Media:** Renee Nichols showed the Board of Directors the new look of the website and wanted to know if the appearance and look of the site was satisfactory. She said that she would have Eagle continue with the proposed changes, and she hoped to have a test link out to the board within the next week. The committee would like to have the new site up and ready to present to the association by Spring Kickoff.

**Nominations:** Jared Scheck that this is a small committee, but he would like for all board members to recruit new members. He also stated if a person is planning to leave the BOD, he would like them to find a replacement for the seat.

**Rules:** Camisha Stevenson advised she received a bylaw rule change to be voted on at the next general meeting (Spring Kickoff). There is nothing else to report at this time.

**Special Events:** Renee Nichols reported that KWHHA won the Hays Frost Fest Parade and was the recipient of \$100. The committee met and has accepted the proposal from Renee Nichols as written: they will use the \$100 prize money from the Frost Fest Parade for prizes to be won at the Spring Kickoff by correctly filling out crossword puzzles. There will be 2 junior and 2 senior winners. Renee moved that Spring Kickoff be held at the Triple 8 Equine Center in Hays, Kansas. Schedule: 10 am KWHHA BOD Meeting, 10 am – 12 pm free team roping, breakaway roping, tie down roping, and goat tying clinic provided by the Fort Hays Rodeo Team (no horses). This is open to all members and any friends they bring. Please bring your ropes or strings if you have them. 12 pm – 2 pm soup potluck. Soup to be provided by the KWHHA BOD and members to bring a side dish. The Fort Hays Rodeo Team can attend if they choose. 1:15 pm – 1:30 pm secretary meeting to cover any questions from rule changes and update contact information for secretaries. 1:30 pm – 1:45 pm judges meeting to cover new rule changes and answer questions. If there are members who wish to take the judges test, that will be given at 1 pm. 2 pm – 3 pm judges clinic instructed by Deana Wiggers-Reh Leverett, details to follow on clinic. 3 pm general meeting, please bring your own chair. Kevin Solofra seconded. Motion carried.

Jared asked to return to the discussion of the ordering of rule books which was previously tabled until which time Spring Kickoff has been set. Renee Nichols moved to set a deadline for rule books to be ordered by February 14, 2025; Triston Boxum seconded. Jared asked for a time on the 14th as for cutoff, so Renee Nichols amended her motion to February 14, 2025, at 12 pm for rule book order and payment to be received. Motion carried.

Renee Nichols advised that committee has stated they have picked the riding team for Equifest: Cameryn Kinderknecht, Camisha Stevenson, Jacob Stanley, and Benton Hrabe. Renee proposed that KWHHA have a booth at Equifest. The cost would be \$400 plus \$120 for extra wristbands for workers at the

booth. Mark Riley moved to pay \$520 for Kansas Equifest booth as presented by Renee Nichols; Jordan Cameron seconded; motion carried. Committee will get everything together and submitted and a work schedule set so volunteers can be found.

Jared Scheck asked if the meeting was Good to the Order. Camisha Stevenson reported that she was approached by Garrett Windholz about sponsoring the Wyatt Windholz Western Lead Line Memorial Buckle for the 2025 season. Howard Sauer moved to accept the buckle; Riley Cameron seconded; motion carried. Jared Scheck asked that all board members stick around to clean up the building.

Howard Sauer moved meeting to be adjourned; Triston Boxum seconded; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 2:28 pm.

Submitted to Lynn Sidman, KWHA Secretary, by Renee Nichols, Temporary Acting Secretary 1.13.2025.

## **ADDENDUM**

1.15.25 Cameryn Kinderknecht submitted the corrected KWHA Scholarship Show Bid from Salina Rowdy Riders to the secretary.

1.17.25 Camisha Stevenson presented a rules committee correction change for vote from Jared Scheck to correct an earlier rule conflict. 12 yes votes: Jordan Hoesli, Cameryn Kinderknecht, Howard Sauer, Kevin Solofra, Triston Boxum, Jaiden Perales, Lynn Sidman, Darcy Settrini, Jensen Miner, Norleen Knoll, Riley Cameron, and Aaron Dohm. Jared Scheck, Gregg Tucker, and Mark Riley did not vote.