

NFHR BOARD OF DIRECTORS APRIL MEETING

Wednesday, April 9, 6:00 PM-MST
Meeting Held Remotely via Zoom

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 6:12 PM MST

II. ATTENDEES: Jeanne Poirier (Registrar), Kelsey Sayers, Kelly White (Secretary), Holly Durst (Treasurer and Interim Vice President), Cynthia Madden, Ardeth Obenauf, Rebecca Wilhite, Lisa Otten

III. CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM: It was confirmed that there were enough attendees for a quorum.

IV. MOTION FOR REMOVAL OF THE PRESIDENT:

- a. Kelly White moved to offer NFHR president, Kelsey Sayers, the opportunity to resign or be removed from the position of president of the NFHR Board of Directors. Motion seconded by Ardeth Obenauf.
- b. The motion was voted upon with five in favor and one abstention. Motion failed.

V. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Holly reported that finances were stable, with \$18,341.87 in savings and \$16,225 in the checking account.

VI. EVALUATION COMMITTEE:

- a. Rebecca discussed concerns regarding evaluator shortages and proposed modifications to evaluator requirements.
- b. Suggested allowing candidates to earn credits from attending breed evaluations outside Norway.
- c. Potential for expanding international evaluation locations, including Denmark.

VII. AWARDS & YOUTH COMMITTEE REPORT:

- a. Youth membership program launched with wristbands available for new members.
- b. Plans to establish a youth award.

VIII. FINANCE COMMITTEE:

- a. Efforts to increase revenue through merchandise sales on Bonfire.
- b. Proposal for selling tumblers and engraved items as fundraising efforts.

IX. HERALD COMMITTEE:

- a. Need to hire a new layout designer following Angela's resignation.
- b. Proposal to refine submission guidelines and self-promotion policies.
- c. Plans to advertise available position (layout/design) and streamline content management to ensure people submitting pictures or articles are acknowledged and aware of submission status.

X. DISCUSSION – ELECTRONIC VOTING:

- a. The board discussed electronic voting for board elections and bylaw changes.
- b. Kelsey moved that starting in 2025, the NFHR will use electronic voting for Board elections, bylaw changes, and modifications to the rules of registration. Paper ballots will be available upon request for members without internet access.
- c. Rebecca seconded. Motion passed.

XI. STATUS CHECK:

- a. Email response to Bonnie Morris, who has been asking. Email is still pending.
- b. Email response to the NFHA. Email is still pending

XII. LEAVE OF ABSENCE AND INTERIM VICE PRESIDENT:

- a. Teresa Kandianis requested a leave of absence, which was acknowledged and approved.
- b. Holly Durst was appointed as interim vice president.

XIII. MOTION TO ADJOURN: Holly moved to adjourn the meeting, and Ardeth seconded.
Meeting adjourned at 8:46 PM.