

**NFHR Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
April 14, 2026**

Attending: Beth Beymer, Aletha Carson, Margaret Crespo, Beth German, Cynthia Madden, Solveig Pedersen, Kelly White, Rebecca Wilhite. Unexcused absence: Holly Durst

Meeting Called to Order 6:01 p

Guest: NFHR Bookkeeper, Margaret Greek to discuss possibility of changing fiscal year and explain accounting practices. Membership for 2026 paid in 2025 is deferred income and cannot be taken until year for which it is deferred for is why budget shows negative number at end of year if expense are higher than income but we have the cash for next year so it evens out. It is more an issue of decreased membership. We should look at products, events, services, fundraisers to bring in income and encouraging more membership again to get more revenue in the NFHR.

Beth G. moves to approve agenda. Beth B second. Motion approved

Motion to approve minutes. Corrections: Beth G. , 2nd Beth B, Kelly 2ⁿ . Evaluation change to preliminary approval. Final approval will be made 45 to 60 days prior to event when all necessary arrangements have been made - corrected minutes need to be reviewed= table them and approve via email - Beth

Exec Director Report /Treasurer Report- Registrar report members number up some, single up but still down 6.7% from last year, subscriptions to Herald up 2.6% from last year. Life membership are the same. 11 foals so far registered for 2026, 67 transfers.

Checking account as of April 14, \$10,356.82 with \$2,103 outstanding. Making the Pedigree site “members only” has encouraged membership. For next year, Jeanne recommends a small raise in membership fees but consider small increases registration fees for next year for older horses and imported horses due to the time spent in their registration. Several different strategies were discussed around the time spent in different types of registrations which will be continued.

By-Laws Committee – Cynthia will work with Beth G on wording for a by-law regarding board members serving as evaluators. No discussion was held on the Leave of Absence Policy presented. Cynthia emphasized that at this point by-laws changes are only to be reviewed and recommended for presentation during the annual Membership Election of Officers and By-Laws Approval in October.

Aletha is reviewing NFHR embryo transfer forms . Additional work is needed. Aletha is working a draft to present to the board.

Discussion of a hardship case. A woman wants to register a horse she bought but the seller has so far failed to convey the paperwork necessary for the new owner to proceed with registration. Several efforts to communicate with the seller have failed. Margaret has agreed to write the breeder a letter to encourage completion of the paperwork process in hopes of a resolution.

Herald Committee – Angela has returned as layout person for the magazine. Kelly thanked everyone for the content. Advertising was free for this issue. Jeanne suggested approaching the advertisers for July issue at ½ price to encourage advertisers. Ideas were discuss for the next issue.

Evaluation Committee – Aletha updated information on Andrew for the Oregon evaluation. Solvig want to encourage more breeders to participate. Kelly volunteered to be a member of the committee.

Membership Committee – from Bonnie Morris -

Meeting adjourned at 7:22 p..m,