

NFHR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

MAY 21, 2025

Call to Order 6:07 pm MST

Roll Call: Present: Kelsey Sayers (President), Holly Durst (Interim Vice President, Treasurer), Kelly White (Secretary), Ardeth Obenauf, Cynthia Madden, Rebecca Wilhite, Lisa Otten, Jeanne Poirier (Registrar, Executive Director)

- Not Present: Teresa Kandianis (Vice President – LOA/excused), Margaret Bogie (on suspension)
- Adoption of Agenda
 - The agenda was adopted as drafted. Rebecca moved, Kelly second. Passed
- Approve March and April minutes
 - Kelly moved to accept the amended March 12th minutes, Lisa second, 6 approve, 1 no
 - Kelly moved to accept the amended April 9th minutes, Lisa second, 6 approve, 1 abstain
- Old Business:
 - FjHI meeting update -Kelly tabled to a future meeting
 - Stallion Show update-Lisa tabled to a future meeting
 - Social Media/Facebook: Status update on restoring members to Facebook tabled to a future meeting
 - Review 2023 Survey and align on next steps tabled to a future meeting
- Committee Reports:
 - Awards – Kelsey tabled to a future meeting
 - Bylaws Review -Teresa tabled to a future meeting
 - Education & Promotion - Cynthia tabled to a future meeting
 - Election – Kelsey Kelsey shared she will send an email with the election committee report
 - Next steps: draft communication notify members of electronic election, bylaws, rules registration changes

- Align on election, bylaw, rules registration calendar dates
- Evaluation - Rebecca tabled to a future meeting
- Executive – Kelsey tabled to a future meeting
- Finance – Holly tabled to a future meeting
- Fjord Herald – Kelly
 - Kelly shared that Lisa S requested a clause be added to the contract.
 - Kelly motioned to accept the clause and add it to the contract for employment of the layout designer for Lisa S and amending the word association to Registry.
- Rebecca – Herald article idea
 - Rebecca recommended the NFHR should support the Rescue and have an article each issue. Idea to feature the rescue horses that are up for adoption. This would be an opportunity for good press
 - Jeanne shared historically previous boards did not want to partner because they also rescue crossbreds
 - Discussed could the article promote the registered or purebred horses and not crosses
 - Rebecca and Ardeth shared that the Rescue has a “no breeding” clause so they are not promoting crossbreds or allow registered mares to produce foals
 - Rebecca shared the idea of opening a Rescue for registered horses
 - Rebecca recommends the NFHR assume some responsibility and promote the rescue
 - Ardeth spoke to Margie and was planning a heartwarming story for the Herald
 - Kelly shared the Herald has space for a Rescue ad

- Motion: Rebecca moved that we feature in every Herald to advertise adoptable horses for the Rescue, no second was given. Motion dies due to lack of second.
- Motion: Rebecca moved that the NFHR creates their own Rescue Network so they can allow mares adopted be bred. No second was given. Motion dies due to lack of second.
- Next steps: Ardeth with work with Margie to draft an article
 - Youth - Kelsey tabled to a future meeting

Adjournment:

- Lisa motioned to adjourn the meeting (approx. 8:15 pm MST), Kelly seconded. Motion passed unanimously.