

NMDA Board Meeting March 1, 2026

Call to Order 6:07

Roll Call: Maribeth St Cyr-President, Kim Fredenburg-VP, Cindy Kavan-Winfield-Education, Amy Glenn-Member at Large, Sarah Turner-Membership, Diana Corbin-Secretary, Cel Cox-Partner Club Liaison, Danny-Member, Susan-Member

Amy made a motion to accept January minutes-Sarah 2<sup>nd</sup> this.

Members Report:

Sarah shared that we have 3 new members with a total of 45 for the year.

Maribeth has officials for all shows and licenses have been done. Insurance will upload this week. She will get with DJ about volunteers for rated show and reach out to members. We need a bit checker for the March show.

Cel will reach out to vendor for show. Danny is going to display his jewelry also. Vendors will not be charged.

Cindy is sending Janet Foy the clinic contract and will ask her about mileage expectations. Discussion was had about the cap on mileage in the standing rules. It was decided to first ask Janet her expectations but considering that we would not be paying for a hotel the board would consider the higher cost. Maribeth made a motion to waive the cap on food for the clinic from \$200 to \$900 per clinic. Cel seconded this. Auditor fees are proposed to be \$30 a day and \$50 a weekend including breakfast and lunch. The total estimated cost of the clinics will be \$3,819.50 with the high mileage. The projected loss is \$1,950.

Cindy is also considering adding more clinics in the fall. This could be with Sue Martin or Rachel Saavadra.

The Standing Rule changes are as followed:

A horse/rider pair can now win a championship at the same level up to 2 times.

Maribeth made this motion-Cel 2<sup>nd</sup> it.

A pair winning championship cannot then win an award at a lower level. This applies only to championships, not reserves to avoid penalizing riders who need to drop a level.

Kim made a motion, Cindy 2<sup>nd</sup> it.

The minimum average score for an award was raised from 55% to 60%

Cindy made a motion-Cel 2<sup>nd</sup> it.

Verbiage about the Susan Kirkby Perpetual Trophy will be removed from the Standing Rules.

Cel made a motion-Cindy 2<sup>nd</sup> it.

The Ribbon scale was also discussed. The board decided to change:

the blue ribbon to 64% or higher

the red ribbon to 60%-63.99%

and remove the yellow ribbon all together

Cindy made a motion to accept this

Kim seconded it

A decision was made to remove the IRS 1099 threshold rule from standing rules, as it is a government regulation that the club must follow regardless of bylaws.

Maribeth made a motion-Amy 2<sup>nd</sup> it

Discussion was had about creating an end of year award for eventers to attract eventers and boost show participation. This is tabled for a time to see if there is interest.

Cindy made a motion to adjourn meeting-Kim 2<sup>nd</sup> it.

Maribeth shared with the board her concern about how few volunteers we have. As a working club it is unsustainable with what we are doing and have planned for the future.

Discussion was had about things we could do to encourage more volunteers. A proposal was made that to be eligible for year end awards you need to volunteer 4 hours. This discussion is tabled for the year. The board will focus on improving communication and member engagement first.

Diana will make Kim a co-manager of our Facebook page. She will also make the page public for more activity in advertising the club.