

PtHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES (DRAFT)  
Embassy Suites Airport, Oklahoma City, OK  
February 28, 2025

Call to Order by President, Annette Pitcher at 10:00 am, February 28, 2025.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Bill Sparr and the prayer was given by Don McGee.

New Board of Directors seated on the Board were Carol Timke, Iowa, Brian Isbell-Garcia, Louisiana.

Roll Call was done by PtHA Staff, Kim Hall. Present were Annette Pitcher, Kathy Thomas, Don McGee, Laura Fowler, William Sparr, Nell Tekampe and Darrell Bilke.

Board of Directors present were Kelley Reames, Mike Adams, Wyneta Duncan, Jamie Stohlman, Bonnie Carr, Ann DiGiovanni, Kaylee Clagett, Kristin Stolee, Tina Bell, Carmen Lay, Joni Osborn, Jessica Davidson, and Tina Langness. Absent were Fral Lelli, Alan Shaw, Mary Osborn, Helen Fleming-Bryson, Kari Reeg, Ron Bartholomew, Lisa Jostad. Alternate Board members not present was Chaun Merkens.

Past Presidents present were Kevin Woodford, Jenny LaGrange, Karen Craighead, Kathleen Gallagher, Roger Altman, Wendy Davidson, and Mahlon Bauman. Absent were Kameron Duncanson, Sue Ellen Parker, Gary Streator, Nancy Bredemeier, Jean Andrews, Jim Isley, and George Martin.

President Annette Pitcher recognized the membership and guests that were present at the meeting.

Service pins were announced by Kin Hall, Lisa Jostad for 10 years of service on the Board of Directors.

Motion was made by Kelley Reams and seconded by Jessica Davidson to remove Board Member Mary Osborn, Michigan, for not attending a board meeting once in the last two years. Motion passed.

Mahlon Bauman, Chairman of Nominating Committee reported the committee interviewed Karen Clark and Tina Bell for nomination for third committee member position of the Executive Committee. The committee has nominated Karen Clark for the position. Motion from the floor to nominate Tina Bell, by Jonie Osborn, seconded by Bonnie Carr. Each person nominated was given 2 minutes to speak. The Board of Directors were given paper ballots. Legal Counsel Terry Wiens and staff member Rebecca Rains counted the ballots. It was announced that Karen Clark was the winner. Motion made by Kelly Reames, seconded by Jessica Davidson to accept Karen Clark as the new third committee member for the Executive Committee and to destroy the ballots. Motion passed.

Motion made by Annie Digiovanni, seconded by Carolyn Washburn to dispense with the reading of and to approve March 1, 2024, minutes as presented. Motion passed.

Financial Report and Budget was presented by Rebecca Rains. Motion by Wyneta Duncan, seconded by Kaylee Clagett to approve, motion passed.

No Old Business to report.

New Business:

PtHA Staff Reports

- Accounting Department – Rebecca Rains reviewed office procedures; it runs like a well-oiled machine.
- Membership/Scholarships – Miranda Hassler reported we had 26 scholarship application last year. The Foundation is giving 12 away this year, we have 2 new scholarships for 2025.

- International/Awards/Registration Department – Emily Wolf reviewed registration, transfer and lease numbers. In 2024 we had 650 color horses, 749 solid horses, 47 ponies, 92 minis, 30 solid minis, 37 utility and 22 long ears registered. Wendy Davidson and Sarah Ladd tied for the most Field Rep registrations done for the year, with 24 each. Emily reported we are adding neck ribbons for 1<sup>st</sup> place at the Pinto World Championship show this year.

- Magazine/Marketing/Media/Youth/Partners – Jenna Henson reviewed all the social media statistics for Facebook, Instagram, Youtube and the website. All numbers are up. We are continuing our campaign with Better Horses this year. The Speech contest and Judging contest and youth leadership pizza party were all successful last year. She is working on new corporate sponsors.

- Performance/Show Department/Amateur – Caitlyn Uehling reviewed the Pinto World Championship and Color Breed Congress numbers and the local shows. We had 2 fewer shows, but higher entry numbers last year. Zone 8 had the most shows in 2024.

- OCAP/On the Trail – Anna Pappas covered the survey she sent out about OCAP and On the Trail. She will be working on ways to improve both programs.

- Judges Committee – Kim Hall covered the Color Breed Council seminars and testing our carded judges go through every 3 years. Wayne Hipsley was the clinician covering the new Reinsmanship rules.

- IT Department – Dan Ocenias reported we have updated the membership and show database system in the office. We are security focused. Working to get E-Pinto updated along with online memberships. We have new computers in the office as well as show computers now. Most of our software is now subscription based. The new website is now up and running.

- PtHA Legal Counsel, Terry Wiens – reported our association is legal and upright. We had a couple of reciprocal issues we dealt with this year.

Motion made by Brian Isbell Garcia, seconded by Kristen Stolee to accept the staff reports. Motion passed.

Pinto Heritage Foundation Report – Ann DiGiovanni reported the Foundation is financially sound. There were 26 scholarship applications, giving away 12 scholarships this year. Encouraged everyone to support the auction this evening. Motion made by, seconded by to accept the report, motion passed.

Breed Council Report was given by Kathy Thomas.

**Proposal #2025-1 – Show and Contest Committee** - Proposed change to Rule G20, *to upgrade the current point system to: 2 entries – 1<sup>st</sup> place ½ point; 3 entries – 1<sup>st</sup> place 1 point, 2<sup>nd</sup> place ½ point, 4 entries and up to remain the same as it is in the current rule book.* Passed in Committee, defeated in Breed Council.

**Proposal #2025-2 – Show and Contest Committee** - Proposed change to Rule V2.A.7.: Currently reads: *In Equitation, Horsemanship and Reinsmanship classes individual patterns are not required if judge includes test in rail work.* Change to read: *In Equitation, Horsemanship ~~and~~ Reinsmanship, Mulemanship and Donkeymanship are pattern classes designed to evaluate the exhibitor’s ability to execute, in concert with their Pinto, a set of maneuvers prescribed by the judge. Rail work or tests, in addition to the posted pattern, may be used in the event of ties or to re-evaluate a group of finalists from a large class.* Defeated in Committee.

Motion made by Jessica Davison, seconded by Brian Isbell Garcia to accept the Breed Council report. Motion passed.

Long Range Planning recommendations that were forwarded to the Executive Committee presented by Mahlon Bauman. All recommendations were approved by the Executive Committee.

Recommendations:

- Raise the following fees starting Jan. 1, 2026:

Individual membership - \$75

Lifetime membership - \$800

Youth membership - \$30

Youth Lifetime membership - \$200  
Amateur card - \$20  
Novice card - \$20  
Walk/Trot card - \$20  
Yearling registration - \$90  
2-Year-Old registration - \$100  
3 & Over registration - \$110  
Undocumented registration - \$140  
Field Representative registration - \$140  
Duplicate Certificate - \$30  
Overnight Postage - \$30  
Printed Rulebook - \$10  
Show Approval - \$35/judge  
Show results – Horse fee - \$6/pinto/judge  
Judge Annual renewal - \$50

- Accepted Fred Kinder's resignation
- Dan Ocenas discussed the new website that is up and the new databases, computers at the office and the World Show/Congress. We will be working on updating the E-Pinto site and online memberships
- Discussed the OCAP and OTT programs and what changes we can make to improve participation
- Darrell introduced a new Ranch Horse Derby for 4 & over horses we will have at the Color Breed Congress show. We will also have the Ranch Horse Yearling Fundamental class.
- Working to fill vacant Board of Director positions
- Discussed ways to increase membership numbers
- Start a Show Steward program, office will work on specifics
- Work on doing the Rookie of the Year program for next year
- Approved the new logos for World Show and Congress
- formed an Ad Hoc committee to work with the new Midwest facility being built by the Indian tribes in Oklahoma.

Motion made by Joni Osborn, seconded by Kelley Reames to accept the Long Range Planning recommendations. Motion passed.

Future Tentative Convention Dates: February 26 – 28, 2026, Embassy Suites Airport, Oklahoma City, OK

Future World Show Dates: June 9 - 21, 2025, Tulsa, OK  
June 8 - 20, 2026, Tulsa, OK

Future Congress and Ranch Congress dates, in conjunction: October 31 – November 8, 2025, Tulsa, OK  
November 6 – 14, 2026, Tulsa, OK

Motion made by Bill Sparr, seconded by Laura Fowler to recess the meeting until the General Membership meeting. Motion passed.

The meeting of the Board of Directors was reconvened at the General Membership meeting.

There being no further business, Kelley Reames made a motion to adjourn the Board of Directors meeting, seconded by Jessica Davidson, motion passed.