

PthA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
August 18, 2026

Meeting was called to order by President Don McGee, August 18, 2026, at 6:00 pm CST

Roll call was done by Kim Hall. Executive Committee members present were, Don McGee, Laura Fowler, Bill Sparr, Karen Clark, Kaylee Claggett, Kathy Thomas and Darrell Bilke. A quorum as established.

Past Presidents present were Mahlon Bauman, Wendy Davidson, Roger Altman, Kathleen Gallagher, Karen Craighead, Jenny LaGrange, Kevin Woodford and Nell Tekampe. Staff present were Kim Hall and Legal Counsel Terry Wiens.

Minutes of last meetings - Jan. 22, 2026, and March 20, 2026, were presented. Motion made by Laura Fowler, seconded by Karen Clark to accept these minutes, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report was presented by Kim Hall. Motion made by Bill Sparr, seconded by Kaylee Claggett to accept the report, motion passed.

The Pinto office had to have a total roof replacement due to hail damage. This also included over 200 tiles and insulation being replaced on the inside of the building. Our insurance covered the total cost except the \$2,500 deductible. Motion made by Karen Clark, seconded by Kaylee Claggett to accept the report, motion passed.

2026 World Show refund request were presented by Kim Hall. Motion made by Darrell Bilke, seconded by Bill Sparr to follow the policy of no refunds after the show starts that is listed in the Pinto World Championship premium book. Motion passed.

Darrell Bilke gave a 2026 World Show report. Motion made by Karen Clark, seconded by Bill Sparr, motion passed to accept the report.

Update on Congress happenings was given by Kim Hall. There will be four (4) All Breed Ranch Sweepstakes classes, a Versatility Sweepstakes including 4 classes, 11 Cash Challenge classes, 26 Incentive Program class, 22 Cash for Color Futurity classes, and 20 Go for the Gold Futurity classes. We have added Cattle Ranch classes this year and a Ranch Cattle Clinic prior to these classes. We have also added NSBA classes for Youth and Amateur Showmanship, Horsemanship and Equitation. Motion made by Laura Fowler, seconded by Bill Sparr to accept all the things scheduled to happen at Color Breed Congress. Motion passed.

Registration and Showing statistic for 1996 – 2025 were presented.

Motion made by Kaylee Claggett, seconded by Laura Fowler to allow each charter to participate in one Jubilee per equine classification (horse, pony, mini, long ear, utility) per year. No more than three per charter in one year. For example: A charter may participate in a Horse Jubilee Show and in a Pony/Mini Jubilee Show and a Long

Ear/Utility Jubilee Show per year. Motion passed. The Rulebook Committee will help with wording in the Rulebook for this change.

Motion made by Kathy Thomas, seconded by Karen Clark to approve a proposed Constitution change. Motion Passed to present the proposed change to the Constitution to the Board of Directors and then to the membership during the next Annual Convention in 2027

Article V, Section 1 - Currently reads:

Section 1. In order to be eligible for consideration for the Executive Committee, a Director must have served a minimum of two (2) years on the PtHA Board of Directors, be a current Board member and have attended at least two (2) Board meetings.

Change to read:

In order to be eligible for consideration for the Executive Committee, a Director must have served a minimum of two (2) consecutive terms on the PtHA Board of Directors, be a current Board member, and have attended at least three (3) Board meetings

Purpose of this Constitution change: to ensure that those elected to the PtHA Executive Committee have sufficient experience.

Motion made by Karen Clark, seconded by Bill Sparr to require Board of Director Nomination form to be completed for appointment and election – currently only required for election process. Motion passed.

Motion made by Laura Fowler, seconded by Karen to add the following to the 2027 PtHA Rulebook. Motion passed.

Miniature Stock Style Halter

Ring Procedure: See J1.A.

Presentation and Appointments

–The Miniature Stock Halter horse will be shown in equipment and appointments of the traditional Western Stock show ring. It will exhibit good manners and responsiveness to its handler; it will stand quiet and square for inspection.

--The Miniature Stock Halter horse will be shown in a leather, biothane or nylon halter and

lead of the traditional western style, halter may be adorned or not. Pleasure horse cable style halters are prohibited. The lead may have a chain or not, chains will be used under the chin; chains over the nose or lip chains are prohibited.

--Attire: See K2.

Cross-Entering: No cross entering at a show between Pleasure and Stock Halter Divisions with the exception of Amateur, Youth, Color classes when separate classes are not offered for the Western Stock Halter horse.

Miniature Pleasure Style Halter

Ring Procedure: See J1.A.

Presentation and Appointments

-The Miniature Pleasure Halter horse will be shown in equipment and appointments of the traditional Arabian/Morgan show ring. Pleasure type entries shall stand squarely on all four feet or slightly stretched. Front legs must be perpendicular (at right angles) to the ground and all four feet flat on the ground. Rear legs may be squared or slightly offset.

-The Miniature Pleasure Halter horse will be shown in a cable style halter with lead shank, halter may be adorned or not.

-Attire: J3.C.

Cross-Entering: No cross entering at a show between Pleasure and Stock Halter Divisions with the exception of Amateur, Youth, Color classes when separate classes are not offered for the Western Stock Halter horse.

Combined Stock/Pleasure Style Halter

When only one halter class is offered, entrants should show according to the style they choose.

NOTE: Add J8.K to the J7 MINIATURE HORSE SECTION on page 102-103. Grand and Reserve may be split or combined.

Motion made by Karen Clark, seconded by Kathy Thomas to add the following rules to the 2027 PtHA Rulebook. Motion passed.

P5. Carriage Driving (Miniatures and Ponies)

NOTE: Add to P5.D #3: This is a gait between the strong and the slow trot and more round than the strong trot.

NOTE: Add at P5.D between #3 and 4: Strong Trot: This is a clear, but not excessive, increase in gait and lengthening of stride while remaining well balanced and showing appropriate lateral flexion on turns. Contact to be maintained. Excessive speed will be penalized.

P5.E Classes

1. Carriage Pleasure Driving: To be judged 60% on manners, quality and performance 40% on conformation. To be shown at a walk, slow trot and working trot, both ways of the ring, back readily, to line up and stand quietly.
2. Carriage Turnout: To be judged 70% on the condition, fit and appropriateness of the harness and vehicle, neatness of attire and overall impression and 30% on performance, manner and way of going. Horses are to enter to the right and be shown both ways of the ring at a walk and trot. Horses are to be lined up in the center of the ring, stand quietly, and back readily. The walk should be a relaxed flat-footed walk, a four- beat straight movement. The trot should be easy going, square with elasticity and freedom of movement.
3. Carriage Reinsmanship: This class is designed to test the knowledge and ability of the driver. This class may be offered to all divisions including Open (Not to be confused with Reinsmanship: Driving Equitation). To be shown on the rail at a walk, slow trot, strong trot, and working trot. To be judged primarily on the ability and skill of the driver. To be judged 75% on the handling of the reins and whip, control, posture and overall appearance of the driver and 25% on the condition of the harness and vehicle and the neatness of attire.

To evaluate a driver's versatility, the judge may require a test.

Suggested Tests:

- i. Back.
- ii. Drive a circle of designated size, at judge's discretion.
- iii. Drive a figure eight.

- iv. Working trot to strong trot.
 - v. Stop and stand.
 - vi. Drive with one hand.
 - vii. A pattern or workout must be administered at the Pinto World Championship or Color Breed Congress shows.
4. Carriage-Working: A class in which entries are judged primarily on the suitability of the horse to provide a pleasant drive. To be shown both ways of the arena at a walk, slow trot, working trot, and strong trot. To stand quietly, both on the rail and while lined up, and to rein back. All entries chosen for a workout may be worked both ways of the arena at any gait requested by the judge and may be asked to execute a figure of eight. To be judged 70% on performance, manners and way of going of the horse or horses, 20% on the condition and fit of harness and vehicle, and 10% on neatness of attire.
5. Carriage Cones Driving Timed
- A. To be driven over a prescribed course of numbered obstacles (traffic cones with balls to similar objects placed on top). The numbers are to be placed on the right side of the obstacles. The number of obstacles to be proportionate to the dimension of the driver area, not to exceed 20 obstacles.
 - B. After passing the starting line, the driver shall proceed through each obstacle in order to the designated finish line.
 - C. Course faults are assessed as penalty seconds and are added to the driver's elapsed time. Placings are determined on a low total time basis. Ties for first will be decided by a drive-off.
 - D. Suggested width for obstacles is 10 inches wider than the largest carriage from outside hub to outside hub. Should cones be set up and carriages not be measured, obstacle widths are to be set:
 - 1. For Ponies - 66 inches (5 feet 6 inches) apart.
 - 2. For Miniatures- 60 inches (5 feet) apart.
 - 3. In combined Miniature/Pony Amateur or Youth classes, the width of the cones should be set to the Pony width or the width should be 10 inches wider than the largest carriage outside hub to outside hub.
 - E. The decision to allow cantering for this class is left to the discretion of show management. It is not allowed unless clearly stated in the prize list. If cantering is not allowed, breaks in gait on the course will be penalized.
- F. Penalties
- 5 second penalty
 - Knocking over start or finish marker
 - Knocking down or dislodging obstacle
 - 1st break to canter
 - 2nd break to canter
 - 3rd break to canter
 - Disobedience or passenger(s) dismounting (cumulative over course) 1st incident
 - 10 second penalty
 - Disobedience or passenger (s) dismounting (cumulative over course) 2nd incident
 - Elimination
 - 4th break to canter
 - Prolonged canter

- Disobedience or passenger (s) dismounting (cumulative over course) 3rd incident
 - Starting before signal
 - Failure to cross starting line within one minute of signal
 - Off course
 - Outside assistance
 - Failure to carry whip
 - Use of a martingale or over check
 - Breakage of harness or vehicle

Motion made by Bill Sparr, seconded by Laura Fowler to change the Field Representative registration expiration to 60 days instead of 90 days. Motion passed.

Motion made by Kathy Thomas, seconded by Bill Sparr to make a change in the PtHA Rulebook for 2027 to allow us to do transfers online in the future. Require all parties (buyers and sellers) to be current members to utilize online transfer, if not, then the transfer must go through the office. Motion passed.

Kim Hall presented a Judge's Code of Ethics and Electronic Communication Policy being proposed to have our judge's read and sign them when doing their annual judge renewals.

Motion made by Karen Clark, seconded by Laura Fowler to approve these forms. Motion passed.

Legal Counsel informed the group he would be setting the date for a hearing for an abuse case the office had recently received for September.

Old business: Motion was made by Laura Fowler, seconded by Kathy Thomas to accept the appointment of Nikki Joseph to the Board of Director position from Connecticut. She will be seated at the Convention in 2027. Motion passed.

PtHA President, Don McGee gave his report. He attended the Pinto World Championship Show in June. Felt it was a good show, had a great cookout. His wife showed the first week, per PtHA protocol, he did not participate as President until the second week.

Don had some comments about some things about the show and wanted to talk about them.

1. One of the PWC judges had a sister and brother-in-law trainers that were unable to bring their clients to show because of how our rules read on conflict of interest. Don received a call from one of the parents of this trainer expressing his disappointment in his daughter not being able to show. Don felt that we should have removed this judge from the PWC so these people could show. It was explained to Don that this happens multiple times at our shows and is just part of judging and showing. Don suggested we have our Judge's Committee chair and vice chair approve the judges list before we publish the judge names for the show.
2. Don stated there was a problem with the Ranch Trail pattern, felt it was an error, said exhibitors didn't know how to do a maneuver, this caused a lot of problems. Said there was not enough time to practice and get it right. It was explained to

Don that it was not an error on the pattern, once the maneuver was explained to the exhibitors, the class went on with no problems. Don was also told that another breed had asked if it was OK for them to use that maneuver in one of their patterns. Don recommended we have the Judge's Committee chair and vice chair approve the patterns before we publish them.

3. Don had a complaint about an issue in the VIP RV parking area. Some of the spots, in the way trailers park the sewer ends up being uphill. Don suggested we let all of the people know about this before they reserve these spots.
4. Don asked when Tulsa Expo informed us about the new rule of not allowing any furniture or hay or feed in the aisle of the barns. Don said this upset a lot of people because they would have to purchase another stall, and since they weren't informed ahead of time the extra stalls were not with their other stalls. It was a major inconvenience. Darrell explained we were not informed until after the forms and premium books were out. We did send out several email blasts with this information.
5. Past President Mahlon Bauman requested Don talk about the request he had for a stall refund. Don received a phone call from an exhibitor telling him about how his stall was flooded following a drain problem after a rainstorm came through. The Tulsa Expo replaced his shavings, but he was requesting a refund for his stall. Don called the office and we told him this person needs to send the office a request for the refund to be heard by the Executive Committee with the other requests from the World Show. The Premium Book states, no refunds after the show starts for any reason. This exhibitor later told Don no one from the office would get back with him. So, in return, Don sent him a personal check to cover the stall cost out of his pocket. Don was informed the office never received a request for refund from this individual.

Next Executive Committee meeting – zoom/phone– November 24, 2026 - 6 pm

Motion to adjourn was made by Kathy Thomas, seconded by Bill Sparr. Motion passed.