

PtHA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES (DRAFT)
Zoom/Phone Conference – August 19, 2025

Call to Order on Tuesday, August 19, 2025, 6:00 pm (Central time) by President Kathy Thomas

Roll Call was done by Kim Hall. Executive Committee members present were, Kathy Thomas, Don McGee, Laura Fowler, Bill Sparr, Karen Clark, Annette Pitcher and Darrell Bilke. Past Presidents present were Nell Tekampe, Wendy Davidson, Mahlon Bauman, Jenny LaGrange, Karen Craighead, Roger Altman, Kathleen Gallagher, Kevin Woodford and Nancy Bredemeier. Staff present were Kim Hall, Dan Ocnas, Becca Rains and Legal Counsel Terry Wiens.

Minutes of last meetings - November 26, 2024, and January 15, 2025, were presented. Motion made by Laura Fowler, seconded by Annette Pitcher to accept these minutes, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report was presented by Becca Rains. Motion made by Bill Sparr, seconded by Laura Fowler to accept the report, motion passed.

2025 World Show refund request were presented by Kim Hall. Motion made by Karen Clark, 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 2025 World Show report. Motion made by Annette Pitcher, seconded by Laura Fowler, motion passed to accept the report.

Board of Director appointments made by President Kathy Thomas are Brenna Raum, Minnesota and Dr. Corinne Stern, Texas. Motion made by Karen Clark, seconded by Laura Fowler to accept these nominations. They will be seated at the 2026 Annual Convention. Motion passed.

Update on Congress happenings was given by Darrell Bilke and Kim Hall. There will be five (5) new All Breed Ranch Sweepstakes classes, two (2) PtHA Color NSBA Futurities (3 yo Western Pleasure and Hunter Under Saddle), \$6,000 added each class. There will be four (4) Cash Challenge classes added for our Mini/ B/Mini group along with a full slate of classes. We will also be hosting an IEA show on the last Saturday of the show. Motion made by Bill Sparr, seconded by Don McGee to accept all the things scheduled to happen at Color Breed Congress. Motion passed.

Kim Hall gave an update on where things stand with the Horse Protection Act.

Dan Ocnas gave an update on all the IT changes. He explained with the new software system; the show results are currently going slower than usual. This is because we must have all the memberships and registrations done before we can complete the results of a show. This means the show managements of local shows need to make sure this information is complete before sending us the show results. We are now recording all information for each entry, where in the past we only recorded those that earned points. The mid-year run of awards will be delayed this year as we are still working on getting all the archives of previous years in the new system. Dan explained the new E-Pinto is being worked on. We are getting quotes for the development of the new sight. It will include purchasing online memberships, virtual wallets for membership cards, ability to update personal profile information, horse records and exhibitor records. It will also include a show management and judge's portal. Motion made Bill Sparr, seconded by Annette Pitcher to accept the report, motion passed.

Kim Hall and Dan Ocenas suggested we work toward doing Automatic Membership Renewals. Motion made by Annette Pitcher, seconded by Laura Fowler to start this process with the 2026 membership renewals. Motion passed.

Darrell Bilke reported that staff member Jenna Henson is working to produce monthly podcast on our YouTube channel. Motion made by Laura Fowler, seconded by Don McGee to allow Jenna to work on podcast features to promote Pinto. Motion passed.

Darrell Bilke led a discussion about the possibility of adding PtHA Ranch World Show. We will look at different plans and get back to the group.

Darrell Bilke made the suggestion to add Ranch Horse, Mini/Pony, Pleasure/Saddle and Long Ear Forum groups to the convention schedule. These forums would be to connect and collaborate with fellow members to promote growth and improvement within Pinto for these divisions. These groups would not see rule change proposals but could make proposals to the committees to be considered the next year. Motion made by Karen Clark, seconded by Bill Sparr add these forum's at the convention, motion passed.

PtHA President, Kathy Thomas gave a report of her time at the Pinto World Championship. She thanked the staff for their hard work that no one sees. She was very impressed with it all.

Legal counsel Terry Wiens informed the group we had a Complaint Hearing that is being scheduled next month.

Next Executive Committee meeting – zoom/phone– November 25, 2025 - 6 pm

Motion to adjourn was made by Annette Pitcher, seconded by Laura Fowler, motion passed.