



NRCHAF Board of Directors – MEETING MINUTES  
Will Rogers Memorial Center, Fort Worth, TX  
February 12, 2024

- I. Called to order by Chelsea Edsall, Chairman, at 10:00 AM
  - a. Present
    - i. Chelsea Edsall, Chairman
    - ii. Kristen Cushing
    - iii. Trey Neal
  - b. Via phone conference
    - i. Kathryn Phillips
    - ii. Linda McMahon
  - c. Not Present
    - i. Boyd Rice
    - ii. Brady Weaver
    - iii. Paul Bailey
    - iv. Todd Crawford
  - d. Guests in attendance
    - i. Emily Konkel, Executive Director
- II. Approval of Minutes
  - a. October 18, 2023 presented by Chelsea Edsall.
  - b. Kristen Cushing moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Trey Neal. Motion PASSED, none opposed.
- III. Committee Reports
  - a. Historical Preservation
    - i. Kristen Cushing reports that the old NRCHA show footage is currently owned by Galloping Videos, Tom and Marleen Diercks. Cushing will reach out to them to get a quote for NRCHAF to purchase old footage.
    - ii. Linda McMahon has offered to come to the NRCHA Office to help digitize old magazine, photos, etc.
  - b. Fundraising
    - i. Chelsea Edsall brings up the idea of doing a silent auction during NRCHA Hall of Fame banquet. The board feels that this would be better suited at a gala.
  - c. Scholarship Selection
    - i. Chelsea Edsall reports that the Scholarship Selection Committee would like to add merit-based scholarships:
      1. Sportsmanship - Nomination based – NRCHYA member
      2. Youth merit based – must apply – any youth
  - d. Event Planning
    - i. Chelsea Edsall reports that the Event Planning Committee is working on the idea of a Gala for 2024 which will be held on October 17, 2024.
  - e. Crisis Fund

- i. Board discusses the NRCHAF Crisis Fund and determines that we must establish an amount to give someone as cap.
- ii. Board also agrees that we must establish an application which requires a bill or supporting documentation to be submitted to the Board.

IV. Old Business

- a. Emily Konkel reports that the NRCHA Hall of Fame Banquet is moving forward as planned. The Foundation will pay for the HOF videos.

V. New Business

- a. NRCHA Foundation – social media account
  - i. Add Chelsea Edsall to account.
- b. Add bank accounts for scholarship and crisis fund

VI. Adjournment

- a. Trey Neal makes a motion to adjourn at 11:49 AM, seconded by Chelsea Edsall. MOTION PASSED, none opposed.