

NSHA V
General Membership Meeting
Draft Minutes
11/18/2025

1. **Call the meeting to order:** Meeting was called to order at 6:03 Pacific Time by Rocki Battrick.

2. **Roll Call:** Deborah David, Marta Newman, Rocki Battrick, Christy Burbank, Sheryl Schmalz, Rick Schmalz, Jessica O’Neal, Ty O’Neal, Ryan O’Neal, Amanda Wright Gates, Matthew Gates, Carson Gates, Jolene Gates, Jackson Gates, Elaine Graitge, Yvonne Disman, Thea Williams, Annelle Reynolds, Kristin Kidney, and Dacia Metsker

3. **Welcome new members:** Annelle and Dave Reynolds (guest)

4. **Braggs and Celebrations:** Nothing to report

5. **Secretary’s Report:** Amanda Wright Gates motioned to approve with a second by Kristin Kidney.

6. **Treasurer’s Report: Attached.** Sheryl Schmalz motioned to approve with a second by Kristin Kidney.

7. **Board minutes:** Sheryl Schmalz motioned to approve with the edit of Show Secretary to say, Tina Malcolm expressed concerns about being the show secretary in 2026, may need to start recruiting a new show secretary, with a second by Deborah David.

8. **Reports from Officers, Board of Directors, and/or special and standing committees:**
 - Sunshine Committee: Send a card to Jesse Mix for the loss of her mother. Send Rhonda Graff a get well soon card.
 - Show Committee: Meeting in January.
 - Youth Committee: Nothing to report.

9. **Old Business:**
 - Elections:
 - Director nomination: Rachel Rosenthal
 - Treasurer nomination: Marta Newman
 - Vice President nomination: Amanda Wright-Gates

A motion was made by Deborah David to accept all candidates by acclamation with a second by Sheryl Schmalz. Motion passed.

- **Rule Changes:**
 - **Meeting Requirements:** Change the rule in the premium and on the website for meeting membership requirements for year-end awards. Deborah David made a motion for the language to be changed to not require attendance at 4 meetings to qualify for year-end awards with a second by Sheryl Schmalz. After discussion, the motion did not pass. An amended motion was made by Deborah David to change the language to read, “require attendance at 2 meetings to qualify for year-end awards” with a second by Elaine Graitge. The motion passed.
 - **Judges:** A motion was made by Amanda Wright Gates to change the Bylaws Section 2, 1A page 9, to read “Judges must hold a current judge’s card with a recognized horse organization” with a second by Sheryl Schmalz, after discussion the motion passed.
- **Trophy dispersal:** There was discussion for members who currently have perpetual trophies to be able to keep or if they do not want them to bring to the banquet. Sheryl Schmalz still has several trophies and wants to know who to give them to. Amanda Wright Gates will meet with Sheryl Schmalz to discuss using trophies for a youth activity. Sheryl Schmalz will make a list of the trophies and send to the board. Sheryl Schmalz would like to have the trophies removed from her storage by 12/1/25.

9. New Business:

- **November Show:** The stalls at Horseman’s Park are in need of repair a member reported sharp metal in a stall. Huge thank you to Jessica O’Neal for quickly coordinating the trail course move to the covered arena. Marta Newman reported that the rope for the steer was looped twice in the small loop, should be fixed before next use. Jessica O’Neal appreciated the judge’s efficiency. The judge was positive, had a great attitude and gave good feedback. He did express an interest in coming back. The pizza party was a big hit. High point prizes for participants still need to be handed out.
- **Year end awards:** Amanda Wright Gates will steer committee. Discussion if points need to be audited against judges cards.

9. Other:

- **Trail equipment:** Need a new volunteer to house trail equipment and transport on Friday and pick up Saturday after the show. Jessica O’Neal showed some interest and wanted dimensions of the trailer.
- **Show manager:** Rick Schmalz will be the show manager for 2026.

Adjourn: Shery Schmalz motined to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 pm with a second by Christy Burbank.

Next meeting: January 20, 2026