

**Ranching Committee Agenda
2020 Convention
Las Vegas, Nevada**

1. Welcome by Chair
2. Committee guidelines
3. Meeting protocol
4. Member review of and comments on agenda items
5. Review of agenda items by subcommittees
6. Nominations for Committee Chair (Saturday)

RANCHING HERITAGE SUBCOMMITTEE

Agenda items eligible for Membership & Board of Directors Consideration:

7. Discussion – Update RHB Application
8. Discussion – Different venue for Ranching Heritage Challenge Finals 2021
9. Discussion – Young Horse Development presentation (Joint discussion with Youth Committee)
10. Discussion – Ranching Heritage Breeder of the Year nomination process
11. Discussion – RHB Survey Results (AQHA President Stan Weaver)

RANCHING PERFORMANCE SUBCOMMITTEE

Agenda items eligible for Membership & Board of Directors Consideration:

12. Amend rule SHW417.9 to read: Sitting the regular trot and lope is recommended; though standing in the stirrups at the extended trot and extended lope, or posting the extended trot is acceptable.
13. Amend rule SHW416.1 Ranch Riding. For horses ~~three~~ **two years of age as of July 1st** and older, offered as a Level 1, junior, senior or all-age open division class, and as an all age class for Level 1 youth, youth, Level 1 amateur, select amateur and amateur. **

14. Amend rule SHW552.3 Divisions. **The cowboy division will offer two different qualifications. Cowboy, with no earnings cap, as well as a limited cowboy that only looks at a maximum of \$15,000 in earnings to be eligible.** **

Cowboy qualification: The rider of the horse must either be an owner, family member or full-time employee of the ranch that owns the horse. Employees must have been employed for a minimum of 90 days prior to competing in the ranch horse competition. **If the rider is receiving compensation for riding non-ranch owned horses they will not be eligible for the Cowboy division (ie: cannot ride outside horses).** **For the limited cowboy qualification:** the rider must have less than \$15,000 **combined earnings within the previous 3 years** in any of the following: NRHA, NCHA, NRCHA, ACHA, RHAA, ASHA, NRSHA or SHTX or less than 25 AQHA or American Paint Horse Association open points in reining, cutting, ranch cow horse or versatility ranch horse within the previous **three** years. No exhibitor can have earned more than \$15,000 in any individual association. **All cowboy division classes, including limited, will complete the full VRH/RHC Ranch Cow Work, and will NOT compete in the VRH/RHC Limited Ranch Cow Work for the Amateur/Youth divisions.** **

15. Amend rule SHW563.1 VRH Cow Work The catch is legal as long as the cow looks through the loop and the rope pulls tight on any part of the animal's body except the tail. Legal catches for horned cattle will also include both horns and half-head catches.

16. Discuss adding a Ranch Pleasure class as a stand-alone class from VRH. **

17. Amend rule SHW416.1 Ranch Riding. For horses three years of age and older, offered as a Level 1, junior, senior or all-age open division class, and as an all age class for Level 1 youth, youth, **13 & under and 14-18 youth**, Level 1 amateur, **Level 1 Select amateur**, Select amateur, and amateur. (Western subcommittee to make recommendation to Ranching Committee as primary) **

Closing Business:

16. Election of Committee Chair

17. Adjourn

** Denotes Computer Programming Requirement