

NATRC National BOD Minutes, September 1, 2026

Call To Order by President John Zeliff, 6:32 pm CDT September 1, 2026.

Roll Call. Angie Meroshnekoff, Maria Pilgrim, Kandace French-Contreras, Lory Walls, Linda Johnson-Conne, Dayna Morgan, Michael Perryman, Kris Gray, Patty Lucas, R5 Alternate, John Zeliff, Marilyn Marston, MaryAlice Braun, R6 Alternate, Sarah Hays, Executive Director and Ruth Mesimer, Data and Management Chair in attendance. Sherry Garnes and Mollie Kelly absent.

Old Business

None.

Committee Reports

1. HP Advisory. Bev Roberts. Not a positive report. Bev is retiring as Hoof Print editor after many wonderful years of work to focus on her family and other needs. We have been anticipating this for a while now and have worked to seek a successor to train while she was still actively working but that person has not been found. We need a new HP editor to take over for the publication to continue. Bev will help train a new person interested in the role if they are willing to take over.
2. National Drug Testing. Kim Murphy and Sarah Hays. The rides for the fall are identified for testing however the existing draw tubes are expired and Kim is working to procure new ones to provide for the kits. The kits are ready to go less the new tubes. As soon as the tubes are provided to Sarah the kits will be shipped to respective ride managers.

New Business

1. Leg Protection Survey. The leg protection survey that is being conducted in conjunction with the pilot is available on the home page of the website and everyone is encouraged to complete it. The survey helps collect baseline data. An E-News will be going out and was supposed to go out last week but was delayed.
2. NATRC Media Consent. The document is uploaded in the board file for review in addition to the NATRC Board Code of Conduct. Both documents will be brought back for the October agenda for discussion and adoption.
3. NATRC Board Code of Conduct. Walls inquired who drafted the document. It was specified that both documents were drafted and handled by an attorney to ensure legitimacy and legality.
4. New Business Submission to Meeting Agenda. A formal pdf fillable document has been uploaded for use for all directors in the submission of agenda items for discussion.

Region Reports. R1. Meroshnekoff. Good turnout at Jackson Forest ride. New LeD ride in conjunction with an endurance rides LD in Nevada. Also another ride that is AHA combined. R2. Contreras. Still working on a clinic the Friday of the Last of Fall ride. Sanctioning request submitted for a new November ride, the El Dorado ride in Arizona in conjunction with endurance folks. R3. Johnson-Conne. Two more rides in the region. CO Trail was up in the air due to Kay's accident. Last ride cancelling A ride due to lack of entries. R4. Perryman. Wasn't prepared to report but will get up to speed with help. Happy to be a part of the board. R5. Gray. On schedule for the end of 2026 rides. Still going to have the clinic and ride at Sara's. Gray is taking over Christmas in the Pines. Already looking into the 2027 and 2028 seasons. Would like to coordinate more with R4 and R6 to hopefully get more out of region participation. Memorial service for Sara at Ride the Edge for anyone who wants to attend. R6. Zeliff. Four rides remaining on the schedule and convention folks have a final version of the logo ready to be released soon. They've put together a short video promoting and encouraging the convention.

Gray announced it is time to be considering the 2027 budget so be submitting needs to Gray prior to the next meeting if possible.

Meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m. Next meeting will be Tuesday, October 6, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.

