

POAC National Board of Directors Meeting (Edited 1/3/2026, Unapproved)

December 19, 2025 via Zoom

Meeting called to order at 8:04 PM EST by Pres. Shingleton

Roll Call:

Shingleton – Present; Killion – Present; Thorson – Present; Drish Kata – Present; Cate – Present; Filla – Present; Rorick – Present; Klein – Present; Zahm – Present; Keen – Present; Tabor – Absent; Peaton – Absent

The minutes from the first half of the Sept. 24, 2025 board meeting were presented by Director Klein on behalf of Tabor. Director Rorick moved to accept, Cate second. Passed: 7 Yes, 1 No (Drish Kata), 1 Abstention (Killion)

The minutes from the Nov. 7, 2025 board conference call were not available for approval at this time.

Motion made by Director Cate to have minutes completed within 14 days after a meeting, with the ability to deputize someone to complete if the secretary is not in attendance. Rorick seconded. Passed: 7 Yes, 2 No (Drish Kata, Killion)

In Director Tabor's absence, Director Cate will be the secretary for this meeting.

No Treasurer's report. The board received financial info this afternoon (P&L through Nov., balance sheet, updated Congress P&L) via email.

Director Shingleton noted past treasurer D. Schaefer was still on the signature card and would be removed Monday.

Shingleton also noted we hired a new office staff member with horse experience who owned a POA previously @ an hourly rate with 40 hours/week to start Jan. 5th pending a background check.

Promotions Committee

Discussion in regards to SOP for Promo Committee and posting to social media.

Director Cate made motion to have an SOP for posting. Promo committee would create content, send to the executive committee for approval, and the promotions committee would then have 48 hours to send out the info via national social media. Seconded. Passed Unanimous

Congress

Discussion on if WT Ranch classes should be included at the 2026 Congress and time/ scheduling constraints. Director Cate made motion to leave the WT Ranch classes out of 2026 Congress.

Passed: 7 Yes, 1 No (Drish Kata), 1 Abstention (Killion)

Killion noted he will get the updated showbill out this weekend.

Discussion in regards to contract with Tulsa and the conversations since the board approved the Congress show dates back in August.

Director Killion resigned as Chair of Congress. Killion noted he asked C. Shingleton for help with Visit Tulsa.

Discussion on all-breed/open classes at 2026 Congress.

Motion by Director Rorick to allow only registered POAs to show at the National Congress.

Seconded Klein. Passed: 7 Yes, 1 No (Drish Kata), 1 Abstention (Killion)

Motion by Director Zahm to not offer trophies for the open classes at 2026 Congress, second by Cate. Passed: 7 Yes, 2 No (Killion, Drish Kata)

The board will look at the number of entries and make a decision soon on which open classes to keep on the showbill.

Discussion on contracts with Tulsa Expo and Visit Tulsa incentives.

Tulsa Expo camper rebate.

Director Cate made a motion to accept the 5-year contract at Tulsa (2026-2030), with horse move-in on Monday. Seconded Rorick. Passed: 5 Yes, 3 No (Killion, Drish Kata, Keen), 1 Abstention (Zahm)

Discussion on sponsorship levels and class sponsorships for Congress. Board to decide at the next meeting.

Rulebook

Discussion on Ranch Division rules. With the approval of the Ranch Division, other rules are impacted.

Director Cate made a motion to accept the rules clarifications for Ranch Division. Seconded Filla. Passed: 8 Yes, 1 No (Killion)

Discussion on mailing the rulebook. Will send paper copy to directors, one per family, and judges. Also, the rulebook will be mailed to anyone who requests it. Digital Flipbook will be available.

The board will review membership fees at the Feb. board meeting.

Director Drish Kata moved to table the 2027 Futurity discussion until the Jan 4 meeting.

2026 Convention

Discussion on 2026 Convention meal costs. Plan to have final numbers Tuesday.

Discussion on offering a Virtual Pass to the Convention for members who are not able to attend but who would like to see the speakers, etc.

Director Keen made a motion to have cost as \$100 in-person to attend the 2026 Convention, \$50 virtual pass. Second Drish Kata. Passed Unanimous

Motion and second to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 11:48pm EST.

Minutes Provided by Director Cate for Director Tabor

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