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| Nevada Equine Council Board Meeting Minutes  |  |
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| Location:  | South Valleys Library - Diamond Room, 15650A Wedge Pkwy Reno, NV 89511 |
| Remote Info: | Zoom Meeting |
| Date:  | May 6, 2025 |
| Time:  | 6:00 PM |

# meeting details

## Roll call

Samantha, Heather, Kathy, Deanna
Giovanni Diaz (NV FAA), Bailey and Tony from Back Country Horsemen (remote).

## Approval of minutes

April 2025 minutes; Heather motioned to approve, Samantha seconded, minutes approved.

## Treasurers report

Report on shared drive. Funds pending in next few days.

## old business and Action Items

### New membership - Welcome Giovanni! Thank you for donation and interest in becoming board member.

### Board member recruitment

#### Discussed requirements for board members. In addition to member in good standing (i.e., paid membership for current year), person must attend at least 3 meetings (board and/or general membership) to be eligible to be board member. To be added to P&P.

### Nonprofit Management Liability Policy

### IRS form to obtain nonprofit status. Fee $600.

### Identify Sponsors/Partners

#### Feed/Hay suppliers

#### American Horse Council (<https://horsecouncil.org/>).

#### Veterinarians

#### Farriers

#### Nevada Rangeland Resource Commission <https://nevadarangelands.org/>

#### NDOR – add NV Trail Finder to website

### TMT working group update

#### Deanna attended TMT Working Group meeting April 17, 2025. Not much regarding equestrians. But of note, NASTR provided $5K grant to TMT

### Newsletter. Would be nice to have but tabled until additional members are available.

## committee reports

### Membership Committee – See [attached](#bookmark=id.c4w7y3nwed8) regarding membership

### Legislative/Land Use Planning/Environmental Committee

## new business and Action Items

### Kathy and Deanna to attend Collective Action for the Greater Good panel event on May 27th.

### Deanna attended High Desert Horseman (HDH) President’s BBQ and Game Day April 19, 2025

#### Spoke with Laura Ammons from Carson Valley Trails. They are promoting “Go Slow and Say Hello” safety program. Brochure downloaded (on Google shared drive) and suggest we add to our webpage. She provided contact information for Eric Wambach for possible CERT clinic for emergency equine evacuation clinic. Deanna working on follow up.

#### Deanna to also attend HDH meeting on May 8 and will promote NVEC membership/support from HDH.

### Back Country Horsemen (BCH) members Bailey Dikes and Tony attended meeting.

#### Working on signs at trailheads. Event planned for Washoe Lake State Park in 2026 (Jennifer) BCH meeting May 21 at Mimi’s Café on May 21 @7:00 pm. Heather will work with BCH.

## Calendar and meeting/events

| **NV Equine Council Board Meeting Schedule and Locations for 2025** |
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| Dates | Locations |
| Apr 1, May 6, Jun 3, Jul 1, Aug 5, Sep 2, Oct 7 | South Valleys Library – Diamond Room, 15650A Wedge Pkwy Reno, NV 89511 |
| Nov4 | TBD. No meeting in December |

### New upcoming events

##### National Pony Express Association (NPEA) National Convention 2025 will be held in Elko, NV. Sept 5 & 6. The convention is open to all to attend. Registration form is on website [https://nationalponyexp](https://nationalponyexpress.org/npea-events/upcoming-convention/?fbclid=IwZXh0bgNhZW0CMTAAAR3qpW-PYVieV4yD5LQWhgFkLT6FHr4MuuSfI_1lfRVRQLrGbdOAWubVQvs_aem_G-SPrTJI0R9LGkV61bzHdQ)

##### Nevada Reined Cow and Cutting Horse Association, Winnemucca Events April 15 to 20 and June 10 to 15. ([www.NRCCHA.com](http://www.nrccha.com))

##### Chappell Ranch. Ranch Camp. April 21 to 25 and April 28 to May 2. Gardnerville. ([www.chappellranchllc.com](http://www.chappellranchllc.com))

* + 1. Nevada QHA ([nvqha.com](http://nvqha.com)): AQHA Silver State Circuit and Gamblers Choice, VRH Show, Winnemucca, July 23-27, 2025

## Adjournment

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| Nevada Equine Council Membership Committee report | A horse with mane and tailAI-generated content may be incorrect. |
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Report Date: May 6, 2025

Submitted By: Deanna Newcomb

Committee Members: Deanna Newcomb, Heather Manzo

Meeting Date(s): None

Motion(s) to be brought to NVEC Board:

No motions coming forward at this time

Committee’s Action Items: No action items at this time

Discussion Items:

* Submitted online requests for donation/support to CAL Ranch and Tractor Supply Company on March 29, 2025.
* Reached out to Jordan at Guided Trail Rides in Gardnerville (Facebook). New business and not ready to get involved yet but will reach out in the future.

##### NVEC information added to NDOR Eastern Sierra Trails Coalition quarterly newsletter. Introduction plus asking for general and board members (used text from FB post). Also provided flyer and May meeting info.

##### May 5 - Introductory emails sent to Nevada Quarter Horse Association (NQHA), Chappell Ranch in Gardnerville, Nevada Reined Cow & Cutting Horse Association (NRCCHA), Roper Buildings (Elko and Reno/Western NV contacts), River Bottom Ranch in Carson City, and Equest Training Center in Washoe Valley.

Next Steps:

* Kathy to contact Hoof Beats and Corrals in Fallon and Big R in Fallon.
* Deanna to continue to reach out to organizations. Also S&W Tractor in Carson City