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| Nevada Equine Council Board Meeting Minutes  |  |

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| Location:  | Remote meeting via Google Meet |
| Date:  | February 5, 2025 |
| Time:  | 6:00 PM |

# meeting details

## Roll call

### Samantha, Heather, Kathy, Deanna

## Approval of minutes

### January 2025 minutes, Kathy motioned to approve, Sam seconded

## Treasurers report

United Federal Credit Union accounts: finalization in process.

Requires $5 in savings account and $100 in checking account. Board volunteered that each board member donate $25 for checking account; Heather will donate $5 for savings account.

Payment methods have been added to the website.

Discussed invoices for renewal for the website and transferred to Heather for tracking. Motion made by Deanna, seconded by Kathy, to pay .org domain and domain protection cost. Passed unanimously. Additional fees to be discussed closer to due date.

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| 2025 Renewal Costs: |  |  |  |  |
| **item** | **date** | **cost** |  |  |
| .org domain +Domain Protection (1 year) | 3/2/2025 |  $   10.17  |  |  |
| Microsoft 365 email (1 year) | 6/24/2025 |  $   95.88  |  |  |
| Website+Marketing Basics (1 year) | 7/8/2025 |  $ 203.88  |  |  |
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## old business and Action Items

### Planning and direction for the coming year.

#### Publicize group - flyers ready for distribution. Deanna had 50 copies made and laminated 20. Given to board for posting/distribution. Kathy will distribute in north valleys area, Heather will distribute in Carson City area, Deanna will distribute in Reno/Sparks area, and Sam will distribute in Las Vegas and other areas she travels in.

#### Collect membership

#### Advertise meetings – meetings posted on website

#### Event tab added to NVEC website and various events posted. Will be updated as new events become available.

### Updates to NVEC website – website updated with membership information and donation links.

### Nevada Division of Outdoor Recreation - Deanna and Kathy have call scheduled with Denise Beronio, Administrator, Nevada Division of Outdoor Recreation on February 25

### 2024 Eastern Sierra Trails Coalition (ESTC) Summit – Deanna contacted Jay Howard and will join Truckee Meadows Trails working group to represent equine community (Tami Rougeau from Nevada All-State Trail Riders, Inc. [NASTR] also signed up). NOTE: Jay mentioned he really liked the NVEC Website.

### NV Equine Council Board member recruitment

### Washoe County Equine Code Assessment Report Review – item removed pending further action from county.

### Nonprofit Management Liability Policy tabled until May 2025

### IRS form to obtain nonprofit status. Fee $600. To be addressed when funds are available.

### Payment for membership, donations –fees and options Venmo, PayPal, etc – added to website

### Bank account – Heather and Kathy visited United Federal Credit Union on January 9, 2025; see additional details in treasurer’s report.

### Identify Sponsors/Partners

##### Feed/Hay suppliers

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

##### Veterinarians

##### Farriers

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

### Sam – list of Southern NV contacts added to shared folder by county in progress, Board members to add contacts as available

### Addition of any future action items for southern NV (particularly Vegas area)

## committee reports

### NA

## new business and Action Items

### Add membership dues to website – completed IV b above. Swag for purchase to be discussed further.

## Calendar and meeting/events

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| **NV Equine Council Meeting Schedule and Locations for 2025** |
| Dates | Locations |
| Jan 7, Mar 4, Apr 1, May 6, Jun 3, and Jul 1, Aug 5,  | South Valleys Library – Diamond Room, 15650A Wedge Pkwy Reno, NV 89511 |
| Feb 4 | ~~Raley’s 108 – Reno Gather A Meeting Room, 18144 Wedge Parkway, Reno, NV 89511~~ Changed to Web meeting |
| Sep 2, Oct 7, Nov4 | TBD. No meeting in December |

### Upcoming Events

##### 2025 American Endurance Ride Conference (AERC) Convention, March 7 and 8 at the Nugget in Sparks – Heather attending Saturday, <https://aerc.org/convention/>

##### 2025 Genoa Western Heritage Days horse parade on Saturday, May 3, 2:00 pm – Sam riding for Nevada discovery ride, <https://www.genoanevada.org/visitors/genoa_western_heritage_days.php>

##### 2025 Western States Horse Expo, Jun 6 to 8, <https://horsexpo.com/>

##### 2025 Reno Rodeo – possible booth, Jun 18 to 28, <https://renorodeo.com/>

##### 2025 National Pony Express Association Convention, September 5 and 6 in Elko, Sam attending, <https://nationalponyexpress.org/npea-events/upcoming-convention/>

##### 2025 Reno Snaffle Bit Futurity, Sep 6 to 14, <https://www.renosnafflebitfuturity.com/>

##### 2025 Nevada Day Parade, November 1, <https://nevadaday.com/>

##### America 250 (<https://america250.org/about-america250/>)

###### Sam on Nevada committee ([https://www.america250nevada.org](#_Sam_on_Nevada)/)– volunteerism and civic engagement. This non-partisan event runs from January 1 through July 4, 2026. On Presidents’ Day, February 17, 2025, we’ll kick off the initiatives to prepare for the 2026 celebration.