



Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, December 4, 2024 – 9:00 am CST
Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Meeting Topics: Year End Fundraising Status, 2025 Requests for Funding, 2025 Plan of Work

Roll Call: Ryan Cottingim, Barbara Crawford, Beth Hartman, Lance Bryson, Robin Sowell, Bob Kennedy, Nancy Ditty, Jennifer Leavengood, John Halpin, Staff: Stephanie Lynn, Lynn Campbell, Elise Sheard

Regular Business

Chairman's Message: By Cottingim, thanked the Board of Directors for making 2024 successful.

September 2024 Minutes: Motion to approve by Bryson, second Hartman, approved.

Financial Report: Presented by Bryson, request for details on transactions classed to contract labor and fees. Motion to approve by Crawford, second Halpin, approved.

REPORTS: Program Updates, Funding Position

ANIMAL WELFARE

- Update on Mental Health Awareness: Presented by Crawford and Campbell

CRISIS FUND

- Professional Pledge Update: Presented by Cottingim

EWD /HOH

- Congress EWD & HOH review: Presented by Sheard

EDUCATION

- Youth of the Year Envelope Challenge Update: Presented by Lynn

CHAMPION FUND

- Fall Appeal Giving 2024, mailed
- Development Report: Presented by Campbell

New Business

Plan of Work Review 2025: Review of Plan of Work built at September meeting

Cowgirls ROC Nominees: Review of program, Sowell volunteered to join committee. Nominations due December 20th, 2024

New Fundraising for 2025 – Presented by Campbell

- Mental Health Awareness – Communication underway and meetings scheduled with interested corporate and individual parties.
- Tomorrows Horsemen – Program funded with commitments through end of class 3 (2025), and into class 4 (2026). 2025 December meeting to be held with Class 3 graduation.

Board member Orientation Handbook – edits due to NSBA Office by December 20th, 2024

"Who Do You Know" – 2024 Prospect Development review, over \$25,000 in new donors thanks to Board of Directors relationships

2025 FOUNDATION BOARD MEETING DATES

February 17-18, Weatherford, Texas

May 12-13, 2025, Weatherford, Texas

September 16, 2025, Virtual

December 4-5, 2025 – Las Vegas, Nevada (together with Tomorrows Horsemen Graduation and Annual Membership Meeting)