

# New Mexico Horse Council, Inc.

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Dear NMHC Member,

The board of directors for the New Mexico Horse Council has called a special general membership next month and we encourage all members to attend.

## **NMHC General Membership Meeting**

Sunday, May 6, 2018 @ 2 pm

Pappadeaux Seafood Kitchen

[pappadeaux.com](http://pappadeaux.com)

5011 Pan American Fwy NE, Albuquerque, NM 87109

Cost will be \$22 per person and includes a salad, entree and beverage (cocktails, wine or beer extra). Please RSVP no later than May 2, 2018 by phone or email (call 505.345.8959 or email [nmhc@swcp.com](mailto:nmhc@swcp.com)).

The purpose of this special general membership meeting is to elect members of the Board of Directors and vote on the following proposed by-law changes. By-laws revisions require a three-fourths majority vote of the quorum. For NMHC purposes, the members attending such meeting including proxies shall constitute a quorum for all purposes.

- create regional districts for the council with board members selected from each district
- change the officer terms to two years instead of one year
- change the timing of officer elections so that President & Secretary are elected in even years; Vice President & treasurer in odd years (only relevant if 2 year terms are approved)
- add Family Membership as a category for NMHC memberships
- extend the months the Annual Membership Meeting can be held to include January

Please review the enclosed NMHC By-Laws with proposed revisions underlined. Each item will be voted on separately during the special general membership meeting. Following the vote on the By-Laws, we will also hold an election for Board of Directors. Please realize that your vote on this matter is important, and if you are unable to attend the meeting you may submit your proxy vote to Danette McGuire by email to [danette@dmacalliance.com](mailto:danette@dmacalliance.com) or by calling 505.345.8959. Please vote “yes” to accept the revised By-Laws or “no” to reject the revisions in support of continuing to operate under the current By-Laws. Be sure to clearly identify your name and business or organization name if you are casting a vote on their behalf. Please have your proxy votes to Danette by May 2 at 7 pm. If you have any questions regarding the By-Laws changes, please contact any current member of the NMHC Board of Directors.

If you have an interest in serving on the NMHC Board of Directors, please send a short (about 100 words) bio and photo to [nmhc@swcp.com](mailto:nmhc@swcp.com) or by mail to the NMHC address above no later than April 20.

We look forward to seeing you on May 6th!

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## 2018 Membership Dues

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

For club or commercial members - please email a logo or photo (jpg) for the website to [rustycook4412@msn.com](mailto:rustycook4412@msn.com)

Club/Commercial Contact person \_\_\_\_\_

Club/Commercial Website address \_\_\_\_\_

Club/Commercial Tag line \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Delegate name and email address (for clubs) \_\_\_\_\_

**Note:** Individual contact information is not shared with anyone. Commercial and Club information is published in the newsletter and also on the website. We will provide a link to your club or commercial website.

**Club or Commercial Dues:** **\$40.00 per calendar year** \_\_\_\_\_

- Club/Commercial dues will increase to \$50 on January 1, 2018

**Individual Dues:** **\$25.00 per calendar year** \_\_\_\_\_

**Family Dues:** **\$40.00 per calendar year** \_\_\_\_\_

- Family membership must include at least one adult and may include another adult plus any number of youth (under the age of 18) residing in the same household

**Lifetime Individual:** **one-time, \$250.00** \_\_\_\_\_

Donation (if you wish; any amount welcome) \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Enclosed** \_\_\_\_\_

(Using PayPal? Go to [www.nmhorsecouncil.org](http://www.nmhorsecouncil.org) and follow directions.)

**NEWSLETTERS:** We send by email if possible. Otherwise, check here if regular mail is necessary or preferred \_\_\_\_\_

### **What is the Horse Council? What do we support?**

**Founded in 1970**, the New Mexico Horse Council is an all volunteer group supported by dues, fundraisers and donations. **Mission:** "To act on behalf of the New Mexico Equine Community through education and promotion of activities benefiting all equine interests."

- **Support the Horse:** Preserve horses as agriculture; Project Gelding; 'NM Horse Care'
- **Support the Owner:** Equine Summits, newsletters, lobbying, brochures, liability signs.
- **Support the Rider:** Advocate for trails and recreation; circulate information; clinics.
- **Support the Horse Industry:** Communicate with state and local agencies; monitor equine event facilities; ally with other livestock and agricultural groups including outreach tables; distribute information from American Horse Council; maintain website, Facebook page.
- **Connect with the general public at the NMHC booth, Annual New Mexico State Fair.**

**Send Dues To: New Mexico Horse Council, PO BOX 10206, Albuquerque, NM 87184**

**NMHC federal tax status: 501-C-4. NMHC is a state horse council member of the American Horse Council and of the Coalition of State Horse Councils.**