The Committee met twice: once Friday afternoon from 3:00 – 6:00 and Saturday afternoon from 2:30 – 6:00. There were 19 Committee Members present and 17 Visitors present. Committee members present were Sharon Bonner-Brown, Renee Robinson, Fred Adam, Daniel Blay, Craig Burkhard, Jerry Cable, Richard Cox, Tom Elliott, Paul Garrett, Merle Himle, Kathy King, Brad Perkins, Gregg Reisinger, Laurie Roden, Devin Rose, Colleen Samela, Cathy Sasser, Jennifer Sheriff, Casey West.

The EC set as our Committee’s top priority the task of trying to answer the Question: What is a Paint Horse? We broke this question into 4 areas of conversation which we discussed during multiple conference calls during the year:

1. **What relative weight & value should color versus genetics play in a horse’s acceptance into the Regular Registry?**

   Motion 1. The Committee moved to embrace the genetic requirements as defined in the current Rule Book and was against any change that would relax existing genetic requirements. Motion passed.

2. **Importance of color: Should a horse be considered "colored" even if it looks "solid."**

   Motion 2. The committee moved to follow the rulebook, and not to suggest color rule changes at this time. Motion unanimously passed.

3. **Importance of genetics: If a horse has the ability to "produce" color, is this equivalent to "having" color.**

   Motion 3. The committee moved to research further that DNA testing alone is not an acceptable criteria for entry into the Regular Registry since there is no DNA test(s) that can consistently and accurately define whether a horse has the ability to “produce” color. Motion unanimously passed.

4. **Should 2 Regular Registry parents guarantee a foal’s eligibility into the Regular Registry regardless of color?**

   Motion 4. The committee moved that eliminating the color requirement for foals with two Regular Registry parents regardless of the potential benefits was not attainable at this time. Motion passed.

   Motion 5. The committee moved to defeat rule proposal RG 020-1 from being forwarded to the directors for a vote. Motion passed.

   Motion 6. The Committee also moved to defeat RG 020-2. Motion passed.
Motion 7. The Committee also moved to pass, after amendment, RG 110. Motion passed.

Motion 8. The Committee moved to endorse Staff’s request for a procedure under rule RG-050 B that allows the Registration Review Committee to allow an applicant to submit color testing results as "additional information" to aid in the consideration of close color decisions. Motion passed.

Motion 9. The Committee also moved to endorse Staff’s request to develop a biopsy protocol and policy. Motion passed.

Motion 10. The Committee moved to support the EC on APHA Headquarters potentially moving to the Fort Worth Stockyards. Timeframe would be late 2017 at the earliest. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00, Saturday, February 27th.
Breed Integrity & Registration Advisory Committee
Conference Call Minutes
April 27, 2016

The conference call meeting of the Breed Integrity & Registration Advisory Committee was called to order by Chair, Karen Banister at approximately 7:40 pm CST.

Roll Call: Chair, Karen Banister, Vice Chair, Renee Robinson, Daniel Blay, Craig Burkhard, Jerry Cable, Richard Cox, Robin Davison, Paul Garrett, Mike Hachtel, Merle Himle, Mike Holloway, Michelle Johnson, Gwen Melshaw, Brad Perkins, Gregg Reisinger, Colleen Samela, Allan Schmidt, Jennifer Sheriff, Robert Stringer, Karen Thomas and Executive Committee liaison Casey West and staff liaison Theresa Brown.

The committee discussed multiple ideas of ways to increase registrations of which the following statements were made:

- Give discounts to stallion and mare owners as a marketing tool to entice more breeding.
- Have a sliding registration price, first foal full price registration, second foal registration discounted, third foal registration free. All Solid Paint-Bred registration are free.

The committee discussed cropouts and the need for color. Also, discussed was the new Color Pattern test that will aid the Executive Committee is making decisions regarding minimal colored horses with the proof of Paint Horse genetics present.

The committee discussed different scenarios of allowing all types of horses to show together. Having a different point schedule for Solid Paint-Bred horses was one suggestion, giving them more points to earn toward awards to hopefully increase entries at shows. Another suggestion made was to offer pointed classes at open shows.

Some concern over Solid Paint-Bred horses in the Farnam Sale classes was expressed.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm CST.