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Assume I'm an average NRHA member, and just read a few weeks ago in NRHA's *The Source* where President Mike Boyle says NRHA and RHSF is not funding any USEF related reining. He assures me that no funds are being expended in this endeavor.

Then in the present August issue of the Reiner, page 182, *USEF Update*, I see where our NRHA Executives are pretty involved in getting a USA Reining Foundation going that will support the USEF. The article mentions it's a "subcommittee" of RHSF but that it is separate from NRHA.

I don't pay a lot of attention that these are minutes of the April 1st Board of Directors meeting. Rather, I think of the content of the minutes, and I really don't know much that's happened with the history or current status of this situation.

Come back to this issue of The Reiner and the NRHA meeting minutes. I've also just read on page 181 that the RHSF President tells the board that there's \$93,000 in the RHSF International Development Fund, and \$42,000 in the RHSF Crisis Fund.

What am I supposed to surmise, believe, or not believe? The big question as an average member is "What in the heck is the \$93,000 for International Development???" And in looking at prior years, it appears the RHSF has spent quite a bit on International Development. Was that for trips, reimbursing the riders or what????

In the July issue of the Reiner, I remember Frank Constantini saying that the RHSF spent \$7,500 on the trip to Russia. I see where Kim Sloan went to the Australia Futurity and see where Dan Wall and Debbie Drinko travel extensively overseas on NRHA business.

Who pays for those trips? Wouldn't that count under the heading "international reining development"? And just how much is being spent on it, anyway, considering I've recently learned that NRHA Derby losses have been almost \$600,000 over the past three years??

NRHA may not be *directly* funding the USA team in USEF competitions, but it sure looks like they're still spending a lot on International Development and I'd like to know where The Group's money is being spent. Who, what, how, why!?!