

Meeting Minutes Minnesota Rodeo Association Meeting

August 19, 2010 Clearwater Rodeo Grounds 7:30 pm

Submitted by: Heidi Gunderson

Call to Order: 7:30 pm by Mike Grinager ***Members attended in BOLD****

Attendance & Roll Call (Heidi Gunderson)

President **Mike Grinager**

Vice President **Karl Johnson**

Secretary **Heidi Gunderson**

Treasurer Jamie Johnson

Bareback Directors- Dustin Schilling & TJ Marino

Saddle Bronc Director- Ty Sohnenstahl

Bull Riding Directors- Josh Trest & Lance Schwartz

Steer Wrestling Directors- Ryan Olson & **Matt Tellegen**

Calf Roping Directors- Steve Kuntz & **Toby Boeta**

Over 40 Calf Roping Directors- **David Slipka** & Emmett Davis

Breakaway Directors- **JoJo Varner** (substitute for Jamie Johnson) & **Heidi Gunderson**

Team Roping Directors-**Cody Neisius** & Bill VanLith

Barrel Racing Directors- **Kelly Neisius & Sherry Sampson**

Judge Director-**Greg Caron**

Stock Contractor Director-**Scott Berends**

Queen Director-Rita Hamilton

Other Members attended: Jill Berends

Treasurer's Report: (Jamie Johnson) Bank balance of \$51,183.90 MMS to approve JoJo Varner/Toby Boeta

Cash still needed to

\$250 needs to be changed from the Saddle Bronc into the Bareback Riding

\$140 from the Over 40 calf roping needs to go into the Calf Roping from last years auction at the finals.

Secretary Report: (Heidi Gunderson)

- Motion to approve July Meeting Minutes: Scott Berends/Toby Boeta
- 231 regular members, 47 Youth members, 13 associate members
- Last year total members 324 (Regular and Youth combined)

Committee Reports:

Queen: Rita Hamilton & Rachel Sawyer

Stock: Scott Berends, Cody Neisius, David Slipka, Dustin Schilling, Lance Schwartz

Awards: Heidi G, Jamie J, Dustin S, TJ Marino, Kelly Neisius,

- Awards and saddles will not be given out at the finals unless your event money has been received.
- Cody Neisius would like to order a champion Header/Heeler buckles. His event will pay for them.

Fundraising: Mike Grinager, Karl Johnson, Emmett Davis, Jamie J, Heidi G, JoJo Varner

- We will sell raffle tickets at the finals. As of right now we have made \$5000 on the raffle over costs.

Budget: Mike Grinager, Jamie Johnson

- Jamie Johnson prepared a detailed financial statement
- Cash needed for the finals \$71,450.00. We still need \$20,266.10. If things go as planned and the events all bring in \$2000, we bring in \$4500 more in sanctions, and we have a finals income of \$12,000 we should be ahead at the end of the year.

Nominations: Matt Tellegen, Steve Kuntz, Ryan Olson, Kelly Neisius, Bill VanLith

- All directors are two year terms.
- Directorships open for new terms listed below:
- Bareback: TJ Marino/Open
- Saddle Bronc: Ty Sohnenstahl/Open
- Breakaway Roping: Heidi Gunderson/Open
- Steer Wrestling: Ryan Olson/Open
- Team Roping: Cody Neisius/Open
- Barrel Racing: Kelly Neisius/Sherry Sampson
- Calf Roping: Steve Kuntz/Open
- Over 40 Calf Roping: Emmett Davis/Open
- Bull Riding: Josh Trest/Lance Schwartz

Rules and Bylaws: Greg Caron, Mike Grinager, Heidi G, Josh Trest, Matt Tellegen, Sherry Sampson

- Went over rule proposals and made a few minor wording changes.
- These rules will post and be voted on at the finals.

Finals: Toby Boeta, Mike Grinager, Heidi Gunderson, Greg Caron, Jamie Johnson

- Contract Staff-
- Funny Man: Brian Knead (\$500 a perf with buckle and trailer hookup)
- Announcer: Jesse Knutson (\$800 a perf, plus a stall, and hookup)
- Photographer: _Rick Matson-Free
- Finals Personnel Vote: (Board Vote)
- Judges: Greg Caron & Dale Sandven
- Secretaries: Jill Berends & Karla Coon
- Bull Fighters: Pat Crawford & Kyle Olson
- Pickup Men: Mark Gunderson & Scott Berends
- Stock for the finals: 3 pens of calves from Belkham, SW Steers Belkham, TR Steer from Cody Neisius \$600 a pen
- Pre-entry forms due August 30th this year because of time constraints.
- Call in confirmation to be the week prior to the rodeo.
- Finals Schedule of Events...see attached draft.
- Finals posters are available.

- Bucking machine: A guy called me wanting to bring a bucking machine to the finals. Same guy that was at the Red Horse PRCA. Wants us to pay his mileage(\$245). He would add us as a rider on his insurance. MRA Board said that he can come if he pays us a vendor fee of \$250 and his insurance is cleared then he can come if he wants.
- Rough Stock: Gets \$95 an out, and pay for one reride. The Bareback and Saddle Bronc directors can pick stock once we know how many are entered.
- Motion was made and seconded by Cody Nesius/JoJo Varner to run contestants in both finals performances from the 15th position being first to the 1st place position being last to go. With the exception of the barrel racing which will draw for positions. Motion carried/1 opposed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Rodeo Approval:

- Equifest Rodeo State Fairgrounds (Triple B Rodeo Company)
- \$300 added all nine events
- Coggins and Health papers required to come onto the fairgrounds
- This rodeo will be a 2011 Membership Rodeo and contestants can buy their cards at the rodeo for points to count.
- Motion made by David SLipka to approve, seconded by Toby Boeta. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Too many rodeos in one weekend?
 - The five rodeos the last weekend of August was discussed.
 - The MRA board felt that their was enough contestants to fill the rodeos
 - The rough stock was short however that is the same across the board at all rodeos.
2. MHSRA Spring Gathering in March
 - The board decided that we would like to be part of the Minnesota High School Rodeo gathering this March. We will hold our March meeting at their location.
3. Over 40 Fundraiser at the Finals
 - O40 Calf Roping would like to have a live auction again at the finals on Friday night at the dance. Saturday night was suggested that would be better to hold it while the points are being tabulated and waiting for the awards ceremony to begin.
 - The MRA will give free membership to anyone who purchases \$500 or more at the auction.
4. Fundraiser for Trisha Hicks/Jenson son Nathan Jenson

- Jill Houck having a Barrel Race and auction to help raise money for 10 year old Nathan.
- Cody Nesius made a motion to give a free MRA membership to auction. Jojo Varner second the motion.

5. 2011 Raffle

- Motion made by JoJo Varner, seconded by Toby Boeta to add a raffle onto the 2011 membership the same as was done in 2010.
- Prizes to be announced at a later date.
- Motion carried.

Next Meeting Date: Finals General Meeting at Red Horse Ranch, September 18th 10 am
Meeting **adjourned** by:

MINNESOTA RODEO ASSOCIATION 2010 FINALS

Friday: September 17th, 2009

- **Mandatory check in 11 AM to 1:00PM**
- **Contestant and finals personnel (mandatory) meeting 1:30 PM**
- **Timed event cattle ran after mandatory meeting**
- **Rodeo Performance 1, 6:30 PM (all contestants participate in grand entry with finals jackets on.)**
- **All round winners to autograph session after rodeo (main entry way of arena)\$100 fine if no show.**
- **Dance to follow rodeo (each round winner will be introduced)**

Saturday September 18th, 2010

- **Pancake breakfast 8:00 AM**
- **Church Service 9 AM-10AM**
- **General membership meeting 10:00 AM**
- **Group Pictures after meeting (mandatory) \$25.00 fine if not present**
- **Queen Contest 12:30 PM**
- **Exceptional Rodeo 5:00 PM**
- **Exceptional Rodeo Awards Ceremony at 6:25 PM**
- **Rodeo Performance 2, 6:30 PM (Grand Entry all contestants participate with finals jackets on.)**
- **Autograph session after rodeo (main entry way of arena)**
- **Awards to follow rodeo at Dance Saturday night.**

Rodeo Performance

Grand Entry

- ✓ Bareback Riding
- ✓ Calf Roping
- ✓ Steer Wrestling
- ✓ Breakaway Roping
- ✓ Saddle Bronc
- ✓ Sr. Tie Down Roping
- ✓ Calf Scramble
- ✓ Team Roping
- ✓ Cowgirls Barrel Racing
- ✓ Bull Riding

Finals Rules

- Show all rough stock to arena
- Run all timed event cattle
- Tie down calves to be tied
- Pickup men will run cattle out during performance
- Pickup men will take calves from arena with rope
- Arena times: Arena will close 5:30 pm on Friday night, and 4:30 pm on Saturday night.
- Victory laps will be taken on your own horse. Round Winners must take a victory lap (Fines \$25 will be enforced)
- Rough stock riders will have their riggings and ropes set and ready when the arena director calls for them. (Fines \$25 will be enforced)
- Barrel racers you have two attempts, then a 30 second time limit when the arena is set and your name is called. After 30 seconds you are turned out. (Fines \$25 will be enforced)
- Positions in the barrel racing will be drawn for. Hand rake after 5 runs.
- Timed event no circling in front of the box. When the arena is ready you have two attempts, then 30 seconds to set your horse. Stock will be turned out (Fines \$25 will be enforced)
- Round winners must proceed to autograph session in main lobby. Fine of \$100 if not present. (stay for ½ hour)
- Barrel racers must have setters on each barrel
- Steer Wrestling horses will be caught by the first person to catch, there will be no waiting for the horse to come to the hazer.
- A MINIMUM of 3 holes will be paid at the finals in all events.