

Meeting Minutes Minnesota Rodeo Association General Membership Meeting August 27, 2011 Maynard Rodeo, Maynard MN Following Slack (Gunderson)

Call to Order: 3:37 pm by Mike Grinager

Attendance:

President **Mike Grinager**

Vice President Karl Johnson

Secretary **Heidi Gunderson**

Treasurer Jamie Johnson

Bareback: **Dru Wilking** & Jason Lenzen

Saddle Bronc: **Tylor Sonenstahl** & Wes Jensen

Bull Riding: Rudy Borntragger & Mike Klemek

Steer Wrestling: Jeremy Wagner & Mike Kuka

Calf Roping: Randy Melby & **Toby Boeta**

Over 40: **David Slipka & Emmett Davis**

Barrel Racing: Sherry Sampson & Kelly Neisius

Team Roping: Bill VanLith & **Cody Neisius**

Breakaway: Jamie Johnson & **Heidi Gunderson**

Stock Contractor: **Scott Berends**

Judges Director: **Shawn Manee**

Queen Director: Alicia Mengelkoch

General Members:

Treasurer's Report: (J. Johnson) None

Secretary Report: 225 Regular Members, 65 Youth Members, 16 Associate

July Meeting Minutes approved. MMS Dru Wilking/Tobey Boeta (Motion carried)

Committee Reports:

Queen: Alicia Mengelkoch

- Rita Hamilton stepping down as Queen Director and Alicia Mengelkoch taking over as director. (Motion and vote?)

Stock: Scott Berends, Cody Neisius, David Slipka, Dru Wilking, Jeremy Wagner, Rudy Borntragger

- Finals stock possible to get from RHR as they own their own set of Corrientes. Cody Neisius to check. For the rough stock we only have one current stock contractor eligible for the finals that has held 3 MRA first sanctioned rodeos. Triple B Rodeo. Directors to check with Scott Berends for the stock they would like to have.

Awards: Heidi G, Jamie J, Kelly Neisius, Tyler Sonenstahl, Jason Lenzen

- Buckles to be ordered from Tres Rios again this year. As in the past they give us our all around buckles for free and choice of buckles for \$100. Buckles will not be ordered until after January 1st. **If there is not money in the account reserve buckles will not be purchased as it is not fair for the reserve winners to win buckles and then the champions get nothing.**

Fundraising: Mike Grinager, Karl Johnson, Emmett Davis, Jamie J, Heidi G, Jo Jo Varner, Wes Jensen

- Raffle Tickets: Drawing was held in Clearwater on Sunday during performance. Winners are: 4Wheeler Dave Kes, \$500 Cash Rory Connell, \$200 cash Katie Pitzen, Rifle Joan Davis, Beef Spencer Love & Brent Vigen, \$100 Kyle Grinager & Jeff Whyte, \$50 Cody Neisius & Jeff Thurlow (Cash has been sent to winners, I have to sign and pay for the 4 wheeler on Monday, JoJo Varner is taking care of the winners of the beef, and Mike Grinager taking care of rifle.)

Budget: Karl Johnson, Mike Grinager, Jamie Johnson, Heidi Gunderson, Emmitt Davis

Nominations: Kelly Neisius, Bill VanLith, Mike Kuka, Randy Melby, Mike Klimek

- Up in March: Secretary bids, Breakaway Directors (2), Treasurer bids, President and Vice President, Barrel Racing (2), others?

Rules and Bylaws: Shawn Manee, Mike Grinager, Heidi G, Sherry Sampson, David Slipka, Scott Berends

- Executive Council Proposal
- New Rule Proposal: (Under Rodeo Entry page 30 add #30) Contestants must pay fees before entering the rodeo arena. This applies before competing and/or warming horse up in the arena prior to competition. Failure to pay fees before entering the rodeo arena will result in a \$25 fine, payable to the rodeo secretary.
- No Quarrum, must wait until September meeting to vote.
- Discussion about barrier malfunction rule. Cody Neisius would like the rulebook to define "malfunction".

Finals: Toby Boeta, Mike Grinager, Heidi Gunderson, David Slipka, Jamie Johnson

- Reviewed Red Horse Ranch Contract
- Many rough stock riders have not attended 3 first sanctioned....in the past we have allowed them to compete as long as it is not full. We discussed this and event directors of rough stock events are going to discuss with event and get back as to what they feel should happen in this case.
- Finals Entry forms to be mailed out first of January to top 20 in event.
- Deadline to be announced. February 15th?
- Will put together a list of MRA cardholder Judges, Secretaries, bullfighters, and pickupmen to be eligible to work the finals.

OLD BUSINESS: (None)

NEW BUSINESS:

1. URA First Sanction Concerns

- Discussion

- Letter sent to URA about our concerns including entry fees being wrong, payout concerns, as well as others.

Next Meeting Date: Conference call 3rd week of September. September 21st at 7:30 pm.

Meeting **adjourned** by Heidi Gunderson/Cody Neisius. (Motion carried)