

**Meeting Minutes MRA Meeting**  
**Via conference call**  
**August 15th, 2012—7:30 pm (Gunderson)**

Call to Order: 7:30 pm by JoJo Varner

Attendance/Roll Call: Members in attendance are highlighted

President Shawn Manee

VP: JoJo Varner

Secretary: Heidi Gunderson

Treasurer: Alicia Mengelkoch

Bull Riding: Casey Berends & Tommy Riggs

Calf Roping: Mikey Loiseau & Toby Boeta

Over 40 CR: Mike Filkouski & Emmett Davis

Barrel Racing: Sharon Munn & Bailey Webb-Olson

Team Roping: Eric Nelson & Bill VanLith

Breakaway Roping: Mariah Kusilek & Katie Pitzen

Steer Wrestling: Matt Uttermark & Jeremy Wagner

Judges Director: Greg Caron

Bareback: Dru Wilking & Jason Lenzen

Saddle Bronc: Wes Jensen & Mark Gunderson

Queen Director: Alicia Mengelkoch

Stock Director: Scott Berends

General Members:

Treasurer's Report: See Alicia's detailed Report

Will email the report tomorrow to the board.

\$33, 908.66 ending balance MMS to approve treasurer's report Toby Boeta/Emmett Davis

Secretaries Report:

Membership is at 269 members (This includes all regular members, youth members, and associates) – a few membership have come in this week that I need to add in.

July Meeting Minutes to be approved: not available – not sent out today

MMS to approve Secretaries report Alicia Mengelkoch/Katie Pitzen

**Committee Reports:**

**Queen:** Alicia Mengelkoch

- none

**Stock:** Scott Berends, Eric Nelson, Mike Filkouski, Dru Wilking, Jeremy Wagner, Casey Berends

- Directors start talking to events and looking at stock for the finals

**Awards:** Heidi G, Alicia Mengelkoch, Bailey Webb Olson, Mark Gunderson, Jason Lenzen, Mariah Kusilek

- Jackets – will start looking at styles and costs
- Alicia Mengelkoch has family that would like to have a chance at embroidery for this year
- Alicia is going to look at a few jacket options with prices and present a few options to the board.

**Fundraising:** Shawn Manee, JoJo Varner, Emmett Davis, Alicia Mengelkoch, Heidi G, Bailey Webb Olson, Wes Jensen, Katie Pitzen

- Raffle to be held on Sunday of Clearwater Rodeo – this weekend.
- Heidi Gunderson will contact winners and line up payment of 4 wheeler
- Alicia to contact Queen Kayleen Erickson to see if she will be able to sell tickets

**Budget:** JoJo Varner, Shawn Manee, Alicia Mengelkoch, Heidi Gunderson, Emmitt Davis

- Alicia has profit and expense from 2011 finals
- Jojo and Alicia did a detailed report of the cost of a 3 day finals.
- Personell on finals 2011: \$5700.00
- Finals stock: \$7940
- Area, Hay, Insurance:
- Advertising: Radio Ads 2700 + 271 (Posters)
- Total Expenses:
- Profit ticket sales and sponsorship from Panther Distillery: 13,033
- Loss of \$

Expense of a 3rd day at finals- \$8200.00

**Nominations:** Sharon Munn, Bill VanLith, Matt Uttermark, Mikey Loiseau, Tommy Riggs

**Rules and Bylaws:** Shawn Manee, Greg Caron, Heidi G, Sharon Munn, Katie Pitzen, Scott Berends

- New Rule Proposal: Submitted by Sharon Munn

I could not find in the rule book any reference to this issue other than one for stock contractors.

**All officers and board member/event directors be subject to a nation wide criminal background check, Convicted Felons and or anyone with a criminal record will not be eligible to serve as a Officer/representative or director for the Minnesota Rodeo Association.**

**(This rule is going to be tabled and brought before the membership at the 2012 MRA FINALS general membership meeting.)**

**Finals:** Toby Boeta, Shawn Manee, Heidi Gunderson, Mike Filkouski, Alicia Mengelkoch

We have two proposals on the table to vote on tonight:

- **Option 1: Red Horse Ranch Arena April 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>, 2012**  
(Contract on file)

**Option 2: Sanford Event Center, Bemidji MN May 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

- (Contract on File)

**MMS Heidi Gunderson/Jeremy Wagner to hold the 2012 MRA Finals at the Sanford Center on May 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. Motion carried unanimous vote.**

**New Business:**

HS RODEO Concern: It was brought up that the HS Rodeo was trying to get into a rodeo on Friday and couldn't wanted to know if we could move the slack in Clearwater – slack cannot be Friday night in Clearwater because the committee is trying to promote their after party and dance.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- **Little Falls Man vs. Beast Rodeo September 15<sup>th</sup> has been approved and is online.**

**Next Meeting Date: September 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm via conference call.**

**Motion to Adjourn: Katie Pitzen/Tobey Boeta**