

Agenda Minnesota Rodeo Association General Membership Meeting **November 17th, 2010 via conference call 7:30 pm**

(Gunderson)

Call to Order: 7:41 pm via conference call

Attendance:

****Names in bold attended the conference call.****

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: Rita Hamilton

Members: **Dustin Schilling, JoJo Varner,**

Treasurer's Report: J. Johnson ~\$17, 120.10 ending balance MMS to approve JoJo Varner & Toby Boeta, motion carried.

Secretary Report: H. Gunderson

Motion to approve October Meeting Minutes: MMS JoJo Varner/Shawn Manee, motion carried

~ Sponsor Thank You's have been mailed

~2011 Membership cards have been mailed: 96 regular members, 25 youth memberships, 9 associates

~Permission to have Erica Valters make new banners of current champions for website (\$10 per banner) probably will do about 20 banners (\$200), MMS to approve Heidi Gunderson/Jamie Johnson (motion carried)

Committee Reports:

Queen: Rita Hamilton & Alicia Mengelkas (no report)

Stock: Scott Berends, Cody Neisius, David Slipka, (NEW MEMBERS?)

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

- Jamie proposed that each event get a set amount per jacket, and then they buy their own jackets. If they want nicer jackets then they can raise more money.

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

- Raffle prizes for 2011 raffle: Wait on prizes until we hear from Rex Kent from Western Wishes
- Partners with Western Wishes: Mike Grinager has contacted Rex about partnering. Rex is checking back to make sure we can partner up with them for the raffle. Mike proposed that if we could get the 4 wheeler and another item through their status we would allow them 20% of our profits.
- Looking at a 501c3 status: We need a team to write the application. The Fundraising committee to work with Western Wishes about our plan about how to donate to their association to help us get our status as well. (Toby Boeta has a phone number of a person who writes 501c3 applications, we will contact that person to see what it will cost to utilize to help us get our status.)

Budget: Mike Grinager, Jamie Johnson

- Mike Grinager working on a budget
- David Slipka said that we need to up our stock budget \$200 per pen in the 2011 budget
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Nominations: Matt Tellegen, Steve Kuntz, Ryan Olson, Kelly Neisius, Bill VanLith

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

- Dragging of Calf: A neck rope must be used on the horse and contestant must adjust rope and reins in a manner that will prevent horse from dragging calf. Contestant must receive no assistance of any kind from outside. If the horse drags the calf at least 5 feet then the field judge may stop horse. The fine for unintentionally dragging calf five feet but less than ten feet shall be \$25. The fine for unintentionally dragging a calf ten feet or more shall be \$100. Intentionally dragging a calf, regardless of distance, shall result in a \$250 fine for each offense, plus possible disqualification. Intentional shall be defined as caused by contestant.
- (As taken from the PRCA Rulebook)
- Calf Roping rule pg 60 Rule 12c and 12b will need to be omitted
- Rule 16 also will need to be omitted.
- Posted for 30 days, vote to go in rulebook today.
- MMS to accept rule: David Slipka/Toby Boeta, motion carried
- Print rulebook inserts of new rules

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

- 2011 Spring Finals Discussion:
- **Possibilities:**
- Outdoor rodeo again in the late summer after Clearwater

- We don't want to turn away new members, need to go with what the majority want.
- Stay at Red Horse Ranch fall is not successful/try another time of year
- Buy rain insurance
- Advance our sponsorship opportunity; because our finals are not our money maker, however the sponsors are by getting a 501c3 status.
- Will we lose members by going outdoors again? Will we lose members by going to the spring? Will we have a bigger crowd in the spring? That will out-weigh the loss of memberships.
- Last weekend in August before kids are all back in school
- Equifest
- In order to change our decision from spring finals in 2012 people who made the original motion need to rescind their motion and people who voted the motion to carry need to unanomisouly decide to rescind the motion.
- Explore our options open up for bids, Mike Grinager to call arenas for pricing
- Conference call for December 1st/Event directors to call last years top 15 to see if they want late summer or spring finals.
- Heidi Gunderson to mail out phone numbers.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Rodeo of the Year:

- Clearwater was voted 2010 Rodeo of the Year
- Dustin Schilling is making plaques for 2010 Clearwater Rodeo of the Year and 2009 Bemidji Rodeo of the Year (Donating his time)

NEW BUSINESS:

- **(NONE)**

Next Meeting Date: December 1st phone conference call about Finals 2011

Meeting **adjourned** by JoJo Varner seconded by Jamie Johnson at 9:27 pm.