

Meeting Minutes Minnesota Rodeo Association General Membership Meeting **OCTOBER 3rd, 2009 RED HORSE RANCH Fergus Falls, MN** (Gunderson)

Call to Order: Dan Bergerson @ 10:30am

Attendance: See attached attendance sheets

Motion to approve August Meeting Minutes:

August Meeting Minutes approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: J. Johnson

Secretary Report: H. Gunderson ~ Total number of members this: 324 General Members (of which 47 were High School & Little Britches cardholders) & 20 Associates,

The Wrangler:

Queen's Report: Rachael Peterson/Rita Hamilton

OLD BUSINESS:

1. 2009 Hall Of Fame Inductee

- Paul Luedemann was voted by the membership at last year's finals to be inducted into the MRA Hall of Fame. Paul received a plaque from the association.
- Members to fill out ballots and a count will be tabulate after finals is over.

2. 2009 Rodeo of the Year:

- Submit your ballots and count will be tabulated after finals is over.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Nominations for President and Vice President for 2010 Rodeo Year:

- Nomination made for Mike Grinager to be 2010 to be President
- Nomination made for Karl Johnson to be 2010 VP.
- Nomination made for Toby Boeta to be 2010 VP.
- Mike Grinager to be President and Karl Johnson to be VP for 2010 year. (Membership voted)
- Mike Grinager handed out a survey to members to help aid the board in making decision to move forward with the MRA decisions, such as approving rodeos, how many in a weekend?

2. Events Meet:

- Discuss Concerns and Ideas
- Elect New Event Director
- Breakaway: Heidi Gunderson & Jamie Johnson
- Bareback: Dustin Schilling & TJ Marino
- Saddle Bronc: ?
- Bull Riding: Lance Schwartz & Josh Trest
- Steer Wrestling: Matt Tellegen & Ryan Olson
- Team Roping: Cody Neisius & Bill VanLith
- Over 40: Emmett Davis & David Slipka
- Calf Roping: Toby Boeta & Steve Kuntz
- Barrel Racing: Kelly Neisius & Sherry Sampson
- Stock Contractor

3. Proposed Rule Changes/Additions:

- Stock Contractor Rule: Change from 4 MRA rodeos with one first sanctioned rodeo, to 3 MRA rodeos with one first sanctioned rodeo to qualify to bring stock to the finals.

- Breakaway: Allow Senior Men 50+ to rope. Breakaway Ropers strongly disagree. There was a discussion on having a separate Senior Men's Breakaway Event. MMS April Zilverberg/Kaycee Wilking to not approve having senior Men rope in the breakaway roping.
- Add Mixed Team Roping: No added money, Only to be ran in the slack, Same steers as the team roping, enter 1 times, 1 year trial period ~ not at the finals for first year~not to count for all around. Enter when you get there. Chute run the cattle. Just want to try it at a few of the rodeos and see how it works, does not need to be a mandatory event. Must be an MRA member or pay the \$15 permit fee. (Bring this to the board)
- Over 40 Calf Roping: To let contestants enter both the O40 and the Calf Roping at MRA Rodeos and can qualify for both events at the finals. MMS Ron Dales/Toby Boeta

4. Other:

Rodeos problems from this year with contractors. Checks not going out, timers not working, payout problems, late paperwork. What are we going to do about these issues next year. If it is an MRA first rodeo then we can fine, however if they are NOT MRA first approved we may look at NOT approving those rodeos next year.

Next Meeting Date:

Meeting **adjourned** by

seconded by

at

pm.