

Meeting Minutes Minnesota Rodeo Association General Membership Meeting **September 21, 2011 Maynard Rodeo, via conference call 7:30 pm** (Gunderson)

Call to Order:

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: **Jamie Wendt, JoJo Varner**

Treasurer's Report:

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

MMS Shawn Manee/Toby Boeta to approve August

Committee Reports:

Queen: Alicia Mengelkoch

- Queen contestants for 2012
- MMS Jeremy Wagner/Heidi Gunderson for Alicia Mengelkoch to replace Rita Hamilton as Queen's director. Motion carried.

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

- Cody N. to talk to RHR about using their cattle for finals stock/Jeremy Wagner to check on.
- Roughstock directors to talk to Scott Berends about stock for finals.

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

- Reminder: Reserve buckles will not be ordered until after the first of the year. However, if there is not enough money in account to cover Champion awards then Reserve buckles will not be purchased.

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.)
- Planning on raffle for next year same as 2011. Work on getting together raffle permit so that we can have raffle tickets available as soon as people start purchasing their 2012 memberships. Plan is to draw at Clearwater again just like we did this year. MMS Heidi Gunderson/Toby Boeta (Motion carried)

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: President, VP, Secretary, Treasurer
- Bull Riding: (1 for Rudy Borntragger)
- Calf Roping: (2 for Toby Boeta/Randy Melby)
- Over 40: (1 for David Slipka)
- Barrel Racing: (2 for Kelly Neisius/Sherry Sampson)
- Team Roping: (1 for Cody Nesius)
- Breakaway: (2 for Heidi Gunderson/Jamie Johnson)

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.
- Not a quorum vote next meeting.

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

- RHR Contract: New director from RHR sent Toby Boeta a new contract. Insurance policy must be a 2 million dollar coverage. Also must vacate premises before 10 pm on Sunday. Toby to talk with director and clarify a few things.
- STAFF CARDHOLDERS ELIGIBLE:
- Secretaries: Karla Coon, Stephanie Schumacher, Kayla Dambrotten, Jill Berends, Tanya Deerpalsing (Black River falls sec.)
- Judge cardholders: Shawn Manee, Greg Caron, Tracy Busswitz, Corrine Karsten (Corrine is not an approved judge for list)
- Pickupmen cardholders: Scott Berends, Mark Gunderson
- Bullfighters: Dustin Nelson, Kyle Olson, Nick Miller

- Heidi Gunderson to contact staff to see if they want to be on a ballot. We will vote next month by ballot.
- Need to know times and band info, other finals info so we can get posters printed.
- Toby Boeta proposed to have a slack at the finals. Some contestants are not wanting this. They feel that if they made the finals they have earned the right to be in the performance. Heidi Gunderson to send out email to membership to ask about opinion of slack vs. no slack.
- David Slipka to speak with Western Wishes to see if they want to involve anything with our finals.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. URA First Sanction Concerns

- No response from URA since our letter/email was sent. URA President did confirm that they got the letter.

NEW BUSINESS: None

Next Meeting Date: St. Cloud (Mike Grinager to find a place) October 26th. 7:30 pm

Meeting **adjourned** by Toby Boeta/Jeremy Wagner.