

2021 Spring Meeting

February 7, 2021

The meeting was called to order on Friday at 9:01 with prayer by Thorpe Thompson. Those present were Thorpe Thompson, Dixie Huxtable, Kim Garrett, Shelly Thompson, Whisker Reynolds, Ken Persson, Pat Hladky, James Leno, Ryan Hayden, Barry Hayden, Josh Johnson, Lynn Kohr, JT Nunn, Zach Davis, Shanna Firnekas, Raymond Terry, Josh Longwell, Haiden Thompson, Emmy Norsworthy, Karly Hoffer, Joe Hayden, Rayne Grant, Halle Hladky, Tavy Leno, Hadley Furnival, Lainey Konetzki, Colter Nunn, Kagen Baker, McCoy Longwell, and Jex Terry.

Financial: After discussion on the financials Dixie Huxtable made a motion to approve the tax return; Ken Persson seconded. Motion Carried. We also discussed our investment accounts and Pat Hladky had several ideas for Kim to investigate.

Reined Cow Horse and Cutting: Bill Gentle joined the meeting and talked about allowing our HS kids to come to their event in Douglas the day before Sheridan/Bufalo. He also talked about being able to help us if we need help at State with RCH or cutting. We hope that next year we might be able to tie into a few more of their events.

National Director / Mid-Winter Meeting: NHSRA has added more money to the jackpots at Nationals, 5th graders will be allowed to do JH starting next year, Trap shooting will now get 100 shots, and NHSRA teamed up with the American and will be doing a Western Tour Finale where the top 10 from each of the legacy series tours compete and the top from that tour gets a spot in the American Finals.

Queen: Lainey learned a lot and had fun at Mid-Winter Meeting. She will get her receipts to Dixie.

Student Report: Shelly has their vests for the first rodeo. We have two student directors stepping down as they are not going to spring rodeo. Kendra Mitchell for the barrels found Jaeda Graves. Jex Terry is working on finding someone for Bareback. Shelly reminded the kids to be getting their sponsorships and not wait till the last minute. Shelly also gave a brief update on the Cinch Team change from Nationals that will be implemented next year. The cinch team will be expected to do a membership drive.

Board Applications: We have 4 board members whose terms are up this year. Shelly asked them to let her know if they are not going to run again. We have 6 next year. Dixie will get the board application on the website.

2020 State Finals: Dixie is working with the state fair to get prices and everything set up. They will have their online system up and running for the camping and stalls. We need to find out if they must clean their stalls out before leaving and what happens if they don't. We went over the awards list. The students want to have the Back on Track Boots straps engraved. Furnival's will get Shelly a name. The students need to come up with the 3 head average award for the rough stock as well as the Finals All Around. They need to discuss this and get the info to Shelly ASAP. The board agreed to use the same system as last year if we do not have enough camping spots at Nationals. The student board needs to visit about having prom and decide if they want to have it. James Halligan can not judge the cutting. Shelly needs help finding a judge. Emme was going to send Shelly info. Wagon Hound will provide cattle for cutting and RCH. Kathy Reynolds would announce the sponsors. Dixie is working on the second timer. We do not think we need ATV's this year. Josh and Whiskers will take care of the sign-up

sheet to help with the roping events. Lex Dory will take care of the rough stock help. Shelly will do the girl events. The board agreed to do the \$1000 for the kids to help like in years past. Dixie is working on getting a host hotel and rooms reserved. Thorpe is getting hay. Anyone wanting to set up a booth needs to contact Dixie. We have quite a few items for an auction. Shelly needs someone to help her set this up. Shanna Firnekas said she would get Shelly info.

State Finals / Stock Bids for 21/22: James Leno made a motion to be in Douglas like planned for 21 and 22, then go to Gillette for 23; Pat Hladky seconded. Motion carried. Then we can get back on a two-year rotation. James Leno made a motion to put out for bid for stock for 22 and 23 noting the location will be different for those years; Shannon Firnekas seconded the motion. Motion carried. Dixie will work on getting the stock bid packets ready and will visit with Gillette to make sure this works.

Spring Schedule: JT Nunn said Laramie's rodeo will be Easter weekend in Torrington. We do have two open weekends this spring. The board feels it would be good to have a mandatory meeting and safety meeting at the Laramie rodeo. HS will be Sunday at 8:00 and will last no longer than 30 minutes. JH will be Friday during the day.

Membership Fee's: The membership fees for 21/22 will remain the same for both JH and HS.

JR High Rodeo: Gillette would like \$1500 to help with JH state finals. The board agreed. JH state finals will start Thursday at 4:00 with the first round of Rough stock, barrels, and poles. Friday will start at 9:00.

Shooting: Tentative schedule for HS is Torrington, Rock Springs, Big Piney, Gillette, and State Finals. JH will be Torrington, Rock Springs, and state finals in Big Piney.

Judges Seminar. Thorpe has one set up for March 6 & 7 in Gillette. He has quite a few new young guys coming.

Rifle Raffle: Ken Persson is taking care of it all doing a great job. He will be at the mandatory meeting and be able to hand out tickets. If any students need / want any they need to get ahold of him. We will do the student incentive this year. Selling 15 tickets will pay for one \$60 entry to state finals. Dixie will get that out on the website. The board really appreciates Ken's help and work.