

WYHSRA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Casper, WY February 9, 2015

The meeting was called to order by John Thurston at 9:04 a.m. The pledge was said. The following were in attendance; Thorpe Thompson, Travis Carlson, Hunter Carlson, Levi Wilson, Courtney Reynolds, Jessie Gillum, Owen Wahlert, Jhett Hadley, Casey Beck, Brady Thurston, Gabrielle Koltiska, Dan Cathcart, Terry Miller, Bill Stapleton, Peggy Miller, Marina Hadley, Wendy Balkenbush, Justin Johnson, Tom Parker, Kim Garrett, Zane Thompson, Frank Thompson, Jamie Thompson, Jacey Thompson, Kit Vogel, JD Slagowski, Marc Dickinson, Claire Andrews, Shelly Thompson, and Dixie Huxtable.

Minutes: Tom Parker made a motion and Jamie Thompson seconded that we approve the minutes from the November 3rd meeting. Motion carried.

Treasure: Much discussion and questions. Kim reported that Jim Whipps is checking into the logistics of a scholarship foundation.

Jr. High: We will be opening a separate account for the Jr High. Shelly reported getting quite a few memberships and questions. Dixie will get ahold of Becky and have her send the numbers and cards to Shelly for membership. All members will be required to have grades turned in before competition

Contracts for State Finals: Shelly reported the photographer from last year will not give us a CD of the pictures. We had another photographer contact Shelly wanting to bid it. Marina Hadley made a motion and Thorpe Thompson seconded that we put it out for bid and choose the one that will give us a disk and the best price. Motion carried. Thorpe Thompson will get ahold of the arena judges and Justin Johnson will take care of the cutting judges. We will offer the same contract as we did last year. Jamie Thompson made a motion and Claire Andrews seconded that we offer the goat contract to John Thurston at the same rate as last year. Douglas Van Dyken will be offered the contract for announcer and sound for \$1600 and a room. We will offer the other announcer contract to Bobbie Jo Heald. We will go ahead and use Hank for our stock contractor this year since he did try and work with us last year with our concerns.

Judges Clinic: Thorpe Thompson reported that he called everyone off the judges list for the clinic in December and Terry Zink was the only one to show up. Lots of discussion and concerns on judges. Dixie Huxtable made a motion and Casey Beck seconded that we have a seminar in March and in the fall before rodeo season starts. In addition, starting in the fall all judges must have been to a seminar in the past three years to judge a High School Rodeo. Motion carried.

Nominating Committee: John Thurston, Marina Hadley, Thorpe Thompson, Jessie Gillum, and Marc Dickinson. We will have 5 spots available this year. This committee is in charge of getting individuals to run.

National Director: All rodeos are confirmed and will be put on the website. Feedback from clubs is that stock is a lot higher than last year. The board would like that noted on the pre-entry form and web site. For the reining cow horse we will have to find sponsorship for three buckles as Nationals will provide one and a saddle sponsorship. We don't have very many lined up and we might need to piggy back on another organization. Finals for reining cow horse may be in Gillette. Winter cuttings are all lined up and approved. There are a few new awards and scholarships to give out this year at State Finals from

Nationals. Bull riders will have to wear helmets this year and they have to be one of two brands. This includes the Jr High as well.

Rough Stock Camps: There are a few camps that we can send a few students to at no tuition cost. Travis Carlson will work on getting names to Shelly and Dixie.

Mid-Winter Meeting: We had four students attend. Dixie heard great things about our students and their conduct. The students picked out buckles and coats. Jhett Hadley reported that if we put Carrol Leathers name on our coat that would save \$10 a coat.

Host Committee: Peggy is working on getting quotes for our program. Several board members felt that the quote she had was too high and unreasonable. Frank Thompson is going to get a quote from his printer. Lots of discussion on Sponsorship. If the donor wants to be in the program we have to have a sponsorship form filled out.

Website: Our website lady is done June 1st. We are going to get some more info from Siri on her website offer as well as another lady that Peggy knows.

Siri with Rodeo News: Tom Hirsig, Travis Carlson, and Thorpe Thompson met with Siri and went over a sponsorship packet. She gave several quotes for different options. Jamie Thompson made a motion and Travis Carlson seconded that we pay up to \$500 to get a sponsorship packet put together and give her 10% of anything she gets for sponsorship. Motion Carried

State Finals: We discussed different award options. Marian Hadley made a motion and Claire Andrews seconded that we use Carol Leather for the jackets, Todd Sloan for the saddles, and we would get bids for the buckles and use the most reasonable one. Motion carried. In order to save money we will keep the Arena Director in house this year. Marc Dickinson made a motion to have Travis Carlson as the rough stock, Thorpe Thompson as the times events, and Justin Johnson as the cutting arena directors, JD Slagowski seconded. Motion carried. We put a committee together for the stock at finals Thorpe Thompson, Travis Carlson, Dan Cathcart, Jhett Hadley, Marc Dickinson, John Thurston, and all student directors. The students want to have cowboy prom again and a goat or chicken roping. John Thurston said he would provide the goats but not run the roping. Jessie Gillum said she might be willing to provide the chickens.

Student Directors: Marina Hadley made a motion to give the student directors that fulfill their job responsibilities jackets like we did last year, Thorpe Thompson seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned