

# **NORTH DAKOTA RODEO ASSOCIATION**

## **Annual Meeting Agenda**

Saturday November 2<sup>ND</sup> 2024, Cowboy Hall of Fame, Medora  
9 am MT

In attendance: Jessie Pfaff, Kyle Abrahamson, Tim Jorgenson, Brandon Padilla, Chuck Christman, David Drader, Jess Magilke, Tanner Wznick, Chase Peterson, Brenden Brinkman, Jim Graven, Scott Kleemann, Nate Horner, Michelle Rotenberger, Sara Bubel. Guests: ??, Tate Eck, JB Lord

- I. Call to order
- II. Approval of Minutes: Michelle forgot them. Scott moved to approve both sets at February meeting. Jim 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor.
- III. Secretary's Report: Michelle shared that we have procured a new computer & a small storage trailer for everything NDRA. Michelle would like to update the website. She will email the board when she knows when what the expense might be. Jessie moved, Brenden 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF.
- IV. Treasurer's Report: ran through account balances and CD's. Outstanding bills would be \$30,000 for saddles, half the buckles, Sara's marketing expense, sponsor ticket/stalls/camping expenses from finals & if we print rulebooks. Jessie moved, Tanner 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF.
- V. Marketing Director Report:
- VI. Old Business
  - a) BEK TV ReCap: NDRA is the only one that they pay to do sports broadcasts. They need to change some things with their advertising etc. BEK is still very optimistic about the NDRA. They are trying to improve some things with their broadcast time for example hiring Chuck or someone with rodeo experience. \*Critics: scheduling on guide is sometimes off, it might say NDRA but it would be something else. There is a fee now to use the ap. Pro from Tim: people have commented that the quality of their broadcast is so much better than the Cowboy Channel. \*BEK broadcast 14 rodeos last year and they are unsure if it will be more or less. \*Nate asked them why they don't show the ranch bronc riding during the broadcast. They would be willing to but they want contestant names, horses etc. ahead of time. \*The \$5000 for the committee is still in place. BEK would like to know where the money is being allocated within the committee i.e. grounds, added money etc.

- b) Finals Wrap Up –Tim: Overall the committee felt like the rodeo went very well. Stock contractors need to be there when we run cattle down the arena. Also, would like the contractors to be there to help with their cattle during the rodeo, identify them & care for them.
- c) Finals suggestions for Next Year: Photographer, should we appoint an official photographer for the finals and have them sign a contract. General consensus is to leave it as is and address a situation if it arises. The finals secretary and timers have not been given a year end award in the past, should we do so? The NDRA will appreciation award for the finals timers & secretary will be included under Marketing fundraising. Jessie moved, Brenden 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF. The occasional contestant has asked if they can receive something else besides a saddle. Nate’s thoughts are we sell saddle sponsorship, how do we navigate the we want one, we don’t want one and getting the sponsors name out there? General consensus is to continue as is.
- d) Any Other Old Business

## VII. New business

- a) Approve WPRA Breakaway Roping & Rope for the Crown: We send our end of the year champion if possible or one of the other top girls. Kally Sorenson will be going for the NDRA. NDRA pays the \$300 to reserve the spot. Jess moved to continue this opportunity, Brenden 2<sup>nd</sup>, All in Favor. \* NDRA does the WPRA forms to co-approve all our breakaway roping for girls to qualify for the divisional circuit finals. It doesn’t cost the association any money. Our breakaway director does the paperwork for approval and Michelle sends them the results. Chase approved to continue. Jess 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor. Jessie Pfaff or Amber Carson will do the paperwork for 2025.
- b) Judges Clinic 2024 Rough Rider, 2025 NDRA, 2026 NDHSRA. Chuck is willing to organize the clinic. Timers will meet at the same time. Chuck is concerned that there isn’t many to attend as we have lost 6 retirees. We have 8 left. Board would like to meet after the clinic.
- c) CD’s Security 1<sup>st</sup> Rates, not comfortable with adding any additional at this time. Move savings at Dakota Community Bank to a CD or money market account at the discretion of the NDRA executive committee with Nate Horner, Scott Kleemann & Michelle Rotenberger as signers. Scott moved, Jessie 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor.
- d) Reimbursement Strasburg: the secretary would like reimbursed for another \$27 for her ink in addition to the \$50 that the NDRA sends the secretary for printing sheets at their respective rodeo. General consensus is that her contract is with the

committee and the difference should be found in house. Michelle would like to visit with other secretaries to see if the \$50 is adequate for future discussion.

- e) Print Rulebooks: We are out of books. We have a quote from Lemmon print shop. NDRA will order 300 rulebooks after the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the rules. Scott moved, Chase 2<sup>nd</sup>, All in Favor.
- f) NDRA Write Checks: Medora would like the association to check into something more progressive to help them with writing checks. Michelle is unable to write checks for all the rodeos, with rodeo results coming in Sunday & Monday and entries and call backs Monday & Tuesday. It would require an additional person to get the checks out in a timely manner. Scott said we could check into Bill.com. Committee would still handle their own money but the ap would become a link between the committee and the contestant for payout. Scott will look into it more. Tabled to the next meeting after some research from Scott & Jess Magilke. Moved by Brenden, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jessie. All in Favor.
- g) 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Rule Changes – See attached
- h) Any Other New Business:
- i) Election of Officers & Board of Directors
  - Bareback Riding (currently Carson Hildre) Would like replaced, would be 1 yr term for replacement. No nominations for this position.
  - Saddle Bronc Riding (currently Cole Pateneau) Jessie nominated Tate, Chuck 2<sup>nd</sup>, Jessie moved to cast unanimous, Jim 2<sup>nd</sup>, All in Favor
  - Tie Down (currently Tanner Wznick) Jessie move to cast a unanimous vote for Tanner, Chuck 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF
  - Team Roping Heeler (currently Chase Peterson) Jessie move to cast a unanimous vote for Chase, Jim 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF
  - Ladies Barrels (currently Jackie Schau) Nate nominated Kenzie Pennington. Chuck so moved, Jim 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF.
  - Stock Contractor Director (currently Cauby Gunderson) Jim moved to cast a unanimous ballot for Cauby, Brenden 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF
  - Area #1 (currently Jessica Magilke) Jessie moved to cast a unanimous ballot for Jessica, Jim 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF

- Area #2 (currently David Drader) Tim moved to cast a unanimous ballot for David, Jessie 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF
  - Area #3 (currently Jim Graven) Jessie moved to cast a unanimous ballot for Jim, Brenden 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF
  - Area #4 (currently Brandon Padilla) Chuck moved to cast a unanimous ballot for Brandon, Chase 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF
  - President (currently Nate Horner) Jessie moved to cast a unanimous ballot for Nate, Tim 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF
  - Vice President (currently Scott Kleemann) Jessie moved to cast a unanimous ballot for Scott, Tim 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF
- j) Executive Session Review of Executive Secretary, Central Entry & Marketing Director positions: notes by Jessie Pfaff
- Michelle: Branden Padilla made a motion to increase the Executive Secretary salary to \$15,000 annually, as well as a \$2,000 bonus for 2024. David Drader seconded the motion, and it carried.
  - Sara: Scott made a motion to pay the Marketing Director commission, expenses, and mileage for 2024. Jessica Magilke seconded the motion, and it carried.

VIII. Adjournment – Tim Jorgenson made a motion to adjourn. Brandon Padilla seconded the motion, and it carried. The meeting adjourned at 2:45 PM (MT).