



September 3, 2013

WSHSRA Board meeting

In Attendance:

Board Members: Sue H, Shane J, Chris S, Roni H-D, Mark B, Stephanie H, Mattie Jo J, Logan S, Bailey N, Rod M, Roy R, Doug N, Kevin D, Jeff W, Dave B, Doug B

Event Directors Leanne L, Roy G, Corey H

President Shane Johnson called the meeting to order at 8:00 pm

New Business:

Discussion regarding the amount of contestants in breakaway roping

Run 2 or 3 sections

Even pen of stock-contractors are going to have a difficult time

Shane opened the meeting providing the board with the amount of members that we have. There is a increase in membership especially in Breakaway. This has become a complication for stock contractors who are trying to provide as even of pens of stock as possible. Shane wanted to open this up to discuss by the board:

Corey H.-As stated in the previous board mtg. we want to provide as even stock as possible for all the contestants. For Ellensburg we have 46 BA Ropers, which means we would have to bring 23 + extras of even cattle to have enough. An idea is that we could run 3 sections have fewer cattle, and split them so that the calves would get to rest in between and they would be more even.

Jeff W.-Concern would be by the 3rd go the cattle would be slower and would not run as hard as the first two runs. Also, how would we ensure that in the draw that the same kids didn't always end up in the 3rd section if we did this in each rodeo? What is the size difference of the older stock?

Corey-older stock will run a little slower and softer, be 50 lbs heavier. Tie down we are good

Roy R-We would have to still scramble the draw, a draw is a draw, even if we reversed it the middle would still be roping the same.

Sue H.-I talked to the National Office and James H, and he gave a verbal approval to run how we want.

Rod M-We can't expect everything all stock to be perfect

Kevin D-I think we should stick to the 50% and not change it

Roy G-I don't like to change rulebook

Mattie Jo-We should do what we usually do.

Roni-We should let the individual rodeos deal with the stock contractors and as a board we should not dictate to them how to handle their stock etc. At the last board mtg we decided to have Roy G, Corey and Brad W talk to the committees to ensure that they know we want even pens and then it is out of our hands.

Shane-That is why we are having this discussion.

Roni-If we make changes to the rulebook then we need to have a specific policy in place to address this issue.

Bailey-We should go Rodeo by Rodeo depending on stock contractor.

Dave Bolich made the motion that we follow the Rulebook and stick with the 50%

Roy Rose seconded the motion

Votes:

YAY-(7) RHD, RM, RR, KD, JW, DAB, DOB,

NAY-(6) CS, MJ, LS, BN, DN, SH

Motion Passed

Shane provided an update on upcoming rodeo

Ellensburg Rodeo-

Mandatory Contestant meeting at 9:30 am in grandstands

Mattie Jo and rest of Student officers will provide a welcome

Sue H will also welcome

Bailey would like to invite members to carry flags

Elect Student directors

Announce to membership and parents to get rodeos submitted for spring rodeos by November 15.

Full Board Meeting will occur right after Saturday's performance.

Ellensburg Rodeo Club will be hosting some "get to know the new member" activities so hopefully everyone can participate.

Other Discussion:

Dave B. brought up an issue regarding Goat Tying and getting clarification regarding what the rule book says and what our board rules are regarding the actual goats used by committees.

He shared that they have goats that meet the rule book, but that have been tied by some members.

Leanne shared that that we should use Fresh Goats. Concern about using member goats is that it could provide or give the appearance of an unfair advantage. She stated that Ellensburg and Kennewick are having problems finding goats, and that she could get goats and provide them to the rodeos.

Jeff W -As long as they meet the rule book requirements

Roni H-D-I agree, we can't dictate to committees as long as they meet requirements. We had fresh goats in Omak and the girls chose not to use them. When they get to Nationals those goats are wild, do we want the kids to tie the same goats every weekend, or get variety?

Mattie Jo-As long as they are even

Dave B.-I think as a board we need to stay away from dictating to the individual committees, and just stick to making sure that that we are following the rulebook.

Shane-Sue can you call the National office and get clarification if there is any other rules concerning the goats?

Sue-I will find out tomorrow and let you all know.

Leanne-I will continue to work with the committees to see what I can do to help them.

Next meeting will be on September 7th directly after the first performance in Ellensburg

Meeting adjourned at 9:01 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Roni Holder-Diefenbach ☺