

MINUTES FEBRUARY 2ND 2019 NEPHI

MEETING CALLED BY	SHAMUS HAWS - President
TYPE OF MEETING	STATE MID-WINTER MEETING
ATTENDEES	Shamus Haws, Josh Allan, Mark Butler, Kelly Anderson, Wendy Dahl, Russ Stebar, Tandie Watterson, Tammy Bullock, Ronnie Bastian, Bret Bowler, Cody Penrod, Mike Coronado, Will Gleave, Jade McAllister, Kody Rhodes, Sam Taylor, Dustin Walk, Lisa Woodland, Amanda Butler, Shay Hildebrandt, McKardy Kelly, Taylee Ackerman, Maklee Larsen.
	Welcome - Shamus Haws - President
DISCUSSION	National Report - National President - Kelly Anderson Kelly expressed his sincere thanks to all who helped with the recent National Mid-Winter Meetings in Salt Lake City. The meetings were very successful. The camping spots for the NHSFR will be limited again this year. The
	suggestion from the National Office is to do draws for the available spots to be given first to the equine athletes, then non-equine athletes, then grandparents and others.
	Ariat is no longer a National Sponsor. The new National Boot Sponsor is Corral Boots.
	Smarty is now a major National sponsor and they are offering each state the opportunity to purchase one Smarty Steer at a discounted price of \$500. States can raffle, sell, or keep the Smarty as long as all proceeds from the Smarty sell goes into the State Rodeo Associations.
	President's Business - Shamus Haws Shamus announced that the Association would be accepting applications for the Secretary position. Wendy will post the application by February 6, 2019. The cutoff date for applications will be March 1st. All applications will be screened by a committee by March 8th. Interviews will be held March 1sth and 16th and the new secretary will be announced on March 21st. Wendy will continue to do the finances for one year and train the new secretary.
	Combined Committee Reports - Discussions and Actions
	Queen Committee -Queen Contest for High School will be held on Saturday, June 1st, 2019. The Jr High Queen Contest will be held on Thursday, May 23rd, 2019.

Budget and Finance Committee

- **-**The committee discussed financial reports, budget, and year-end projections.
- -Discussed the possible increase of gate fee charge, adding pay for an extra day for judges at Jr High Finals and adding a 3rd judge for Jr High in the rough stock arena.
- -Discussed a proposal of \$6,500 to get online entries set up through the ARTS program.
- -Discussed pay proposal for the New Secretary position to be \$1,000 per month plus .25 per entry.

MARK BUTLER MOVES TO ADD PAY FOR THE EXTRA JR HIGH DAY AND THE 3RD JUDGE. SECONDED BY SAM TAYLOR. MOTION CARRIED.

JOSH ALLAN MOVES TO ACCEPT THE ONLINE ENTRY PROPOSAL AND PAYMENT. SECONDED BY SHAY HILDEBRANDT. MOTION CARRIED.

RONNIE BASTIAN MOVES TO SET NEW SECRETARY PAY AT \$1,000 PER MONTH PLUS .25 PER ENTRY. SECONDED BY SAM TAYLOR. MOTION CARRIED.

Cutting/Reined Cow Horse Committee

-The committee proposed to go with the option of holding at least 3 RCH competitions for the 2019-20 season.

JOSH ALLAN MOVES TO ACCEPT THE RCH PROPOSAL ABOVE. SECONDED BY SHAY HILDEBRANDT. MOTION CARRIED.

-The committee proposed to go with the option of holding a cutting at every rodeo for the 2019-20 season.

KELLY ANDERSON MOVES TO ACCEPT THE CUTTING PROPOSAL ABOVE. SECONDED BY MIKE CORONADO. MOTION CARRIED.

Livestock Committee

- -The conditioning of the cattle for State Finals will be open to members. The schedules will be given to Wendy and sent out so that members can be present for the conditioning and give their input for stock selection to the Livestock Committee.
- *Shamus reminds the committee to kindly make sure the conditioning schedule doesn't interfere with the Reined Cow Horse Competition at State.
- -Dustin Walk discussed the \$1,500 set aside for the Rough Stock Safety Clinic and would like to see an increase for next year. Mark Butler suggested he bring this request to the Budget and Finance Committee in March to ask for the specific amount needed.

Sponsorship Committee

- -The Sponsorship Committee has been working on new guidelines for the sponsorship levels and the promotional recognition of our sponsors on social media and in the arena.
- -Committee would like to have thank you notes given to all State Champions for them to return to our sponsors.
- -Discussions that the amount of expenses allotted to Finals are growing faster than the income received. Mark admonishes the Board to ask anyone with contacts of potential sponsors to get the information to him.
- -The committee will be working to put together a script of State Sponsors to be announced at each rodeo.
- -The committee would like to create a backdrop for taking pictures at Finals.
- -Discussions of highlighting members on Facebook and Instagram instead of the Rodeo News magazine.
- -Discussion on studying the gate fee instituted last year and if the fee needs to be increased to help the clubs with costs.

Youth Advisory Committee

- -The High School Officers are planning a dodge ball game and a parent/contestant football game, a king's contest, and a relay race to promote sportsmanship and unity during State Finals.
- -The Service Project this year will be awareness for Mental Illness.

-Theme nights for High School will be:

Wed - Wild West

Thurs - Black & White

Fri - Patriotic

Sat - Green (Green represents new growth & beginnings)

-The Junior High Officers are planning a back-number ceremony for the Short Go on Saturday. They will also set up a recreation room and possibly have a basketball game.

-Theme nights for Jr High will be:

Thurs - 80's Retro Fri - Wild West Sat - Hawaiian

Judging Committee

-Discussion on the institution of a 90 second rule as follows:

In the Barrels, Poles, and Goat Tying: The judges will start a timer when the judge is in his position, the arena is clear, the contestant is called on to compete, and the gate is open.

In all other Timed Events: The judges will start a timer when the barrier is pinned, the line judge is in his position, the arena is clear, and judge is looking at contestant for their nod.

In all Rough Stock Events: The time will start when arena is clear and both judges are in position.

At the expiration of the 90 second time limit for any event, the contestant may be disqualified at the judge's discretion.

SHAY HILDEBRANDT MOVES TO ACCEPT THE NEW 90 SECOND RULE AS WRITTEN ABOVE. THE RULE WILL GO INTO EFFECT WITH THE UPCOMING SPRING SEASON FOR BOTH JUNIOR HIGH AND HIGH SCHOOL. SECONDED BY DUSTIN WALK. MOTION CARRIED.

Judges for Junior High

Small Arena: Kade Jacobs and Luke Bankhead

Large Arena: Kody Jacobs, Greg Bennett and Taylor White

Judges for High School

Small Arena: Kendall Bagley, Kody Jacobs

Large Arena: Greg Bennett, Luke Bankhead and Taylor White

Rules and Bylaws Committee

- -Kelly Anderson explains a rule from the National meeting that states contestants will be disqualified for the use of Tobacco in the arena.
- -The Rules and Bylaws Committee discussed a proposal of allowing late entries for rodeos during the preliminary review period and charging contestants a late fee. In the Rules Committee Meeting the motion was made by Josh Allan not to allow late entries. Motion was seconded by Shay Hildebrandt. Motion Carried. The full board agreed with the Rules Committee on their decision.
- -Clarification on the arm position in the Chute Dogging. The location of the right arm cannot be under the neck.
- -Josh Allan proposes to have a grounds rules meeting in St. George for Jr High and in Ogden for High School and another grounds meeting to be set up for the fall. Shamus states that it is also a good reminder to let members and parents know that they are all responsible to know the rules of the Association.

Awards Committee

- -The Awards Committee recommended going with Molly's buckles for both divisions. Molly's have been good to work with and allowed the officers to help in the designing of the buckles.
- -The Committee chose Tod Slone Saddles from their bid selections. They recommend using Tod Slone for High School and for Junior High as well as an upgrade from the Corriente saddles used last year for Junior High. In working with Tod, the costs will be kept within the budgets submitted.

-Hat pins have been ordered for both Jr High and High School State Qualifiers. The Committee found a supplier that allowed us to use our logos for the pins and the cost came in at a lower price than what we did last year.

KELLY ANDERSON MOVES TO ACCEPT THE AWARDS COMMITTEE'S REPORT WITH THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS. SECONDED BY TANDIE WATTERSON. MOTION CARRIED.

Public Relations Committee

- -The PR Committee decided not to do a billboard this year for advertisements and instead to make more 2'x4' posters for advertising. Some of the posters will be branded with sponsor logos and given to sponsors to place in their business. The Committee will be distributing the posters, featuring our members, to the clubs to help get them into the local areas.
- -The PR Committee will continue using Facebook and Instagram and add more member spotlights.
- -State Finals advertisements will include posters as well as vinyl banners strategically placed. Committee will also work on more radio interviews.
- -Shay Hildebrandt will work with the officers and will be attending the FFA Convention in April to help promote membership.

NRA Shooting Committee

-The NRA Committee will work with the State Finals Committee to ensure the scheduling of events doesn't conflict with members getting to the arenas for competition.

Scholarship Committee

- -Discussion on the 1500 Western Books that have been kindly donated by a local author to our organization to sell for Scholarship funds. Discussed that the books don't all need to be sold in one year and it make take a few years to sell them all.
- -Tandie Watterson offered to be available at the West Millard Rodeos to help any seniors who would like help filling out their scholarship applications for the UHSRA.
- -If any Board Members have interviewer names they would like to recommend, please contact Mike Coronado.
- -Discussion on receiving donations from the families of alumni who have passed on and had requests to leave a donation to the UHSRA through a trust fund.
- -Discussion on a presentation from Josh Baxter to look at trying to get sponsor donations from IT companies who are interested in encouraging students to join the IT professional fields with possible internship opportunities.

Planning and Steering

-Discussion on the Survey sent out after the last meeting in St. George. The survey received a total of 240 responses.

74% of the surveys were filled out by parents.

53% answered yes to having been concerned about safety at a facility.

55% answered that they feel the all-day rodeos last too long.

50% were concerned about the abilities of the judges in an all-day rodeo.

67% answered that they like the 3 performance rodeos.

56% answered that they like the 3 arena rodeos.

Comments from participants were also received and sent out after the meeting to the Planning and Steering Committee. The committee has been asked to review the comments and bring any recommendations they feel need changing or improving to the full board for discussions at a future meeting.

- -Discussion on members transferring out of the state, particularly transfers to Idaho from the Logan area.
- -Discussion on point change proposals brought to the committee by Sam Taylor. The committee will study these points after they are sent out and bring recommendations, if any, to the full board. Voting on the point system for next season will be tabled for now.
- -Discussion about clubs struggling with costs. Ronnie will send an email to sectaries asking for financial data to determine if entry fees need to be raised for next season. It was also brought up that we could possibly increase the gate fee charges.
- -Discussion on a clarification on the 3-arena rule to be in effect for next season.

DUSTIN WALK MOVES THAT CLUBS MUST HAVE AT LEAST 2 CORE EVENTS RUNNING SIMILTANIOUSLY TO BE CONSIDERED A 3-ARENA RODEO. SECONDED BY KELLY ANDERSON. MOTION CARRIED. 1 OPPOSED.

State Finals Committee

Arena Directors for Junior High

Small Arena: Mark Butler, Jade McAllister **Large Arena:** Doug Madsen, Ronnie Bastian

Arena Directors for High School

Small Arena: Justin Martin, Sam Taylor Large Arena: Doug Madsen, Dustin Walk

Other Directors

Cutting: Cody Penrod

Reined Cow Horse: Shamus Haws

Shooting: Kody Rhodes **Queen:** Tammy Bullock

KELLY ANDERSON MOVES TO ACCEPT THE DIRECTORS FOR STATE FINALS AS OUTLINED ABOVE. SECONDED BY SHAY HILDEBRANDT. MOTION CARRIED.

- -Discussion on the added day for Jr High Finals. The Jr High Finals will start on Thursday instead of Friday.
- -Discussion on running two arenas for the Short Go at Jr High Finals.

SHAY HILDEBRANDT MOVES IN FAVOR OF RUNNING TWO ARENAS FOR THE JR HIGH SHORT GO. SECONDED BY TANDIE WATTERSON. 10 IN FAVOR 9 AGAINST. MOTION CARRIED

-It was stated that it will be a priority to wait for the contestants and to try and run boys and girls events consecutively so as to limit the conflicts.

Discussion from the floor

-Jason Riding, President of the 5th and Under Association, discussed the growth their group is seeing and how we can help to promote the 5th and Under so that their members will continue to feed into our Association as Junior High members.

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