



MINUTES

8/25/2023
Duchesne, UT

MEETING CALLED BY	Jason Kelly -President
TYPE OF MEETING	UHSRA Board of Directors Meeting
ATTENDEES	<p>Kelly Anderson, Jason Kelly, Brad McKee, Syndi Fitzgerald, Angie Freeland, Matt Cumbie, Jon Goza, Jason Riding, Coby Larsen, Joni Haderlie, Brock Riding, Kody Jacobs, Gentry Goza, Clayton Goza, Dutton Daybell, Jenna Jepperson, Jhet Hanks, Kadence Martin, Harlee Stokes, Isa Bell, Ritchlyn Anderson, Tana Bennett, Shaun Tree, Kirk Christiansen, Vicki Brierley, Steve Stokes, Holly Jacobs, Katie Dannelly, Darley Barrow, Sami Hunt, Eddie Virgil</p> <p>Not in attendance: Monica Hullinger, Chris Price, Russ Stebar,</p>
WELCOME	Welcome
DISCUSSION	<p>The meeting called to order at 9:40 pm.</p> <p>Southern Utah Jr High Rodeo Club- Katie Dannelly addressed the board about possibly hosting in Cedar City in the future. She expressed that the Cedar facility is making several changes to accommodate UHSRA, including but not limited to bringing in additional stalls, rough stock chutes indoors, and an additional warm-up area inside. The SUJR club is prepared to hold their 2024 rodeo in Hurricane and mentioned they will possibly be signing a two-year contract with the Hurricane facility but would like the option in the future to look to the Cedar facility to host. The board advised the club to plan to come to the Mid-Winter Meeting, where the schedules are presented each year, discussed, and voted on. The board also encourages all clubs to make sure facilities are secured before the schedule is final.</p> <p>National Sign-ups at State Finals Brock Riding Motions that every national qualifier must fill out a packet the night of State Finals. If any of the four national qualifiers are unsure about going to nationals. Alternates will also be asked to fill out a packet that night with the understanding that the alternate position will not be granted until a signed waiver is received from the National Qualifier. All National Qualifiers and alternates must leave a check with paperwork or can Venmo the UHSRA the national fees once the team is confirmed. Each national qualifier will have until noon the following day to commit to going or not going and will be asked to sign a waiver declaring their decision. 2nd by Jon Goza Motion passes unanimously</p> <p>Three Arena Conflicts Jason Kelly formed a committee to look at what we as an association can do to help alleviate some of the pressure the three arenas cause our multi-event contestants. This committee is made up of members who have been rodeoing for several years and have daughters in multiple events. They will begin meeting soon and present a plan that, if passed, will hopefully be in place before the Dixie 6. The committee members are Jon Goza, Brad McKee, Steve Stokes, and Tana Bennett.</p>

State Awards

State Go round buckles will be with Molly's; they are offering a \$10 per buckle discount if the order is placed before September. Coby asked the Officers to meet first thing in the morning, 8/26/2023, to select buckles.

There was some discussion on Saddles for State Finals, but this item is tabled to a future meeting to confirm pricing and expected delivery. Student officers voiced concern with unacceptable wait times for State Champion Saddles.

Rough Stock Ranking System

The Rough Stock Committee is working hard to create a program that will help the future of Rough Stock. They will be prepared to present at the Mid-Winter Meeting.

Judges

Kody Jacobs presented his concern with having difficulty getting judges to want to do the junior high Rodeos. He said the number of runs in a junior high rodeo is not that different from a High School rodeo, and often, the junior high rodeo is longer where they are running two arenas. He feels that if the pay was the same, it might be more appealing for judges to sign up for the junior high rodeos.

Tana Bennett motions to increase the Judge's pay for junior high to match the \$425 in High School, effective with the start of the spring season 2024. 2nd by Gentry Goza

Cody also addresses the board about possibly looking for a sponsor to provide the Judges with a matching shirt for the Utah State Finals; he feels this would give the finals a more professional feel. Many bigger rodeos do this, and he thinks it would add to the State finals.

Kelly suggested we contact Cinch to see if they may be a possible sponsor. Joni Haderlie said she would reach out. Then Jon and Gentry Goza said that Elite Protective Coatings will sponsor the judges' shirts for the State Finals.

Once State Finals judges are determined at Mid-Winter Meetings 2024, Cody will get sizes to Elite Protective Coatings.

Officer Retreat

Youth Officers reported a great time at this year's officer retreat. New friendships were made, and old ones strengthened. They commented that having this time at the beginning of a season is uniting and helps them be better leaders for the UHSRA. They had lots of planning time and have some great activities planned for this season. They were able to create lots of social media content. The youth thanked the board for the opportunity to hold an officer retreat. They thanked the Coughlin family for taking them boating. Thank you to Tana Bennett for planning and putting it all together. Thank you to all of the parents who went and helped as well.

Youth Committee

Theme for the 2023-2024 Season "Win from Within"

They are hoping to hold activities that will get everyone involved

Jr High Officers had their first activity this weekend, a dummy roping that was a great success. Other activities planned for the year include Dances, Cowboy Sadie's, and Cowboy Prom.

Rodeo Sports News – Gentry wanted to consider returning the Rodeo News to each member. The cost is approximately \$9000 to get one to each family in the association. Kelly stated that there are lots of opportunities to have articles and spotlights in the

NHSRA Times that would be free of charge. He also encouraged the board and officers to nominate Utah contestants for the Athlete of the Month or Horse of the Month in the NHSRA Times.

He also suggested that an article showcasing the Officer Retreat be submitted. Jason Riding mentioned that social media is an excellent way to spotlight members. Rodeo News was tabled until the Mid-Winter Meeting to possibly see about getting a sponsor to help with the cost of Rodeo News.

Mixed Breed Cattle- Kadence addressed the board about some rodeos, especially in the spring, having mixed breed cattle. The Livestock Committee is working with the contractors to see what can be done to help with this issue.

Student Officers would like to have the Student Officer voting open to all contestants in the UHSRA, not just those who qualified for the State finals.

Student officers will present how this process would work at the Mid-Winter meeting and what the voting process would look like. This item is tabled until the Mid-Winter meetings.

Western Attire

Contestants and parents must wear Western attire in all competing and warm-up areas, Chute Areas, and Stock working areas.

Student officer would like to see some changes at State Finals. Jason and Brad will form a committee to work with the student officers.

MEETING ADJOURNED 11:52 pm

