

## Minutes from Board of Directors Meeting 7/26/20

Attendance: Derrick Bass, Toby Galliher, Billy Williams, Mike Scism, Justin Gillespie, Sharon Livengood, Mandy Melton, Jennifer Sanders, Amy Colvard, Student Officer – Cole Gillespie

Absent: Jason Brumley, Brad Stewart, Chris Brown, Amanda LeMaster

Justin opened the meeting with a prayer and Derrick called the meeting to order.

### OLD BUSINESS:

Minutes was presented from the last board meeting which was held via conference call in regards to the distribution of travel money. MOTION was made by Derrick Bass to approve the minutes as read. Motion was SECONDED by Toby Galliher. Vote was AIF

Treasurer Report was presented by Derrick Bass from information provided to him by Amanda LeMaster, treasurer, prior to meeting. Her report shows that after the travel money was distributed we have \$2616.87 in our account. All expenses have been paid for the 2019-2020 season including dues for the upcoming season that was paid to NHSRA. MOTION to approve the treasurer report as read was made by Sharon Livengood. The Motion was SECONDED by Billy Williams. Vote AIF

INFORMATION FROM NATIONALS – Justin Gillespie, National Director, shared with board items that was discussed at their National Directors meeting immediately following National Finals. No new rules to discuss. Justin shared that Lazy E Arena was overall pleased with how the Finals went. National office does still intend to go to Lincoln NE next year if facility is ready. Justin also shared that our Silent Auction Basket raised enough money that NC will receive another “Hard Luck Scholarship” to be given away at the end of the season at State Finals. Nationals also stated that overall membership numbers were down but they are not worried.

### NEW BUSINESS:

FUNDRAISING REQUIREMENTS for upcoming season.

There was discussion that the \$400 requirement, that has been in place for the past several years, remain the same. Board felt that most families were familiar with the amount they needed to raise so it would be best to keep it as is. MOTION was made by Toby Galliher to keep the \$400 Fundraising Requirement for the 2020-21 rodeo season. Motion was SECONDED by Justin Gillespie. Vote was AIF.

Fundraising for the Young Guns will be set to \$200 per Mandy Melton.

Gun Raffle was discussed and board decided to sell these raffle tickets again to raise money in excess of the fundraising done by the members. This raffle brings in almost \$10,000 in additional funds. There was discussion to include our sponsor Big Ivy Guns in this raffle this year. Justin will contact them to see if they would like to be the provider of the guns we raffle so that we can give back to them for their support and donations. MOTION was made by Amy Colvard to sell Gun Raffle Tickets again this season. Motion was SECONDED by Derrick Bass. Vote was AIF.

## NEW SEASON REQUIREMENTS and PROCEDURES

**POINT SYSTEM:** Board decided to keep the points system the same as prior season. Awarding points for 1<sup>st</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> place starting with 10 pts and going down. Board also decided to point all rodeos again this season.

**STATE FINALS :** Board decided to stay with 3 full rounds at State Finals instead of 2 rounds and a short go.

**RCH / CUTTING EVENTS:** Board decided to stay with the option of offering the minimum 3 RCH/Cutting Events though the Southern Stock Show like last season since we do not know how much interest, if any, there will be in these events. Board discussed maybe trying to promote our associations RCH and Cutting events within the Southern Stock Association to try to get more members for these events. Mike Scism will be looking into this opportunity.

## COMMITTEES

Award Committee – Amanda LeMaster, Amy Humphries, Rene Earnhardt

Gate Committee – Kari Welborn to head

Stock Committee – Mike Scism, Jason Brumley, Justin Gillespie

Sponsor Committee – still needed

**PAYING CONTRACTORS** – board decided to keep payment the same as past seasons: Bullfighters \$150, Pickup men \$100, and Judges \$150. NCHSRA will also pay for stalls for pickup horses if overnight stay is needed.

**MEMBERSHIP DUES** – board decided to keep our membership dues at \$189. Young Guns will be \$100.

**MOTION** to approve all of the committees, payments, and season setup was made by Toby Galliher. The Motion was **SECONDED** by Mandy Melton. Vote was AIF.

**DISCUSSION ON RODEO BEHAVIOR:** Board discussed putting set procedures in place in the event there may be inappropriate behavior at a Rodeo Event, whether that is a Contestant or a Parent. Board discussed the option for ANY board member to be able to give warnings, give fines, or DQ contestants or family members as they see fit. We will have office warning forms in the rodeo office at each rodeo if a warning is needed. Warnings are not required – an immediate fine or DQ can be given if felt appropriate by ANY board member. This is based on the fact that in our Handbook it is addressed fully. Two particular families were discussed as to the fact they will be given no more warnings for their behavior at a rodeo event. **MOTION** was made by Billy Williams to allow any board member to reprimand contestants or parents as they see fit based on the fact that appropriate behavior is addressed in the Member & Parent Handbook. The Motion was seconded by Sharon Livengood. Vote was AIF.

MANDATORY CONTESTANT MEETINGS – Board discussed and decided to go back to making Contestant Meetings prior to each performance mandatory. There will be no more role call – each contestant will sign a “sign in” sheet. At the end of each meeting the JH members will go to Student body Secretary, Cole Gillespie to sign the sheet, HS Girls will go to the Student body VP, Emme Colvard, and HS Boys will go to Student body President, Luke LeMaster to sign in. Fines will be access for absences. MOTION to make contestant meetings mandatory was made by Derrick Bass. The Motion was SECONDED by Amy Colvard. Vote was AIF.

CONDUCT FORMS AND GRADES – board decided to keep the same procedure this season as last season. Grades will be required at each rodeo and a Conduct form will also be required only IF you are physically attending school. Not virtual or homeschool. MOTION to turn in Grades and Conduct forms at every rodeo was made by Jennifer Sanders. The Motion was SECONDED by Sharon Livengood. Vote was AIF.

YOUNG GUNS – Mandy Melton, the head of this division shared more details with the board to help allow this younger division to be incorporated with some of our rodeos. It was decided they will run their events before our rodeos or for rodeos there is early slack they will be incorporated into that. The 2 Age divisions are K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade and 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Mandy mentioned that she would like for some of the older members to act as “mentors” for these smaller kids and asked that we as a board take that in to consideration at the end of the season when we are picking awards. Board will try to promote a “Big Sister/Big Brother” type scenario for those interested. MOTION to allow Young Guns to run before NCHSRA rodeos and be incorporated into our slack performances when possible was made by Amy Colvard. The Motion was SECONDED by Sharon Livengood. Vote was AIF.

FIRST RODEO HOUSEKEEPING DISCUSSION – Board discussed that there will be slack because the producer is selling a 2 hour show to their spectators. Board discussed that ALL members entered in rodeo will have to be at the 11 AM Mandatory meeting even if they are only in the show because there is so much to go over at this first contestant meeting. Decided that Slack will start at 12PM and the producer has set the show for 7pm. Some show details discussed were: Bulls will be at the end. All JH Roughstock will be in the show. Young Guns Mutton busting and other roughstock will be in the show. All poles and goats will be in slack and all JH events. Discussed rolling the Young Guns in with the Slack.

MOTION to adjourn the meeting was made by Amy Colvard. The Motion was seconded by Sharon Livengood. Vote AIF!