

SDRA MEETING AUGUST 17, 2013

GOVERNORS INN, PIERRE 1:00 PM CST

SDRA President Dan Pirrung called the meeting to order at 1:15 pm. Roll call was taken with the following Director's present: Dan Pirrung, Dave Marone, Mark Kenyon, Jared Schaefer, Elizabeth Baker, Samantha Nelson, Scott Hollenbeck, Chuck Maher, JJ Hunt, Mary Pat Fawcett, Matt Jones and Merretta Anderson.

Dan reviewed the minutes of the last meeting as presented by Executive Secretary Ann Sundermann. Motion by Samantha, 2nd by Elizabeth to approve the minutes as presented. MC.

Ann presented the financial report and any questions were called for. We have not yet received payment for their share of the membership rodeo from NRCA or M-SRA. Ann also expressed concern that the tax return had not yet been completed, and she had called Jeannie Ericsson in Lemmon, Accountant, with no response back. Motion by Matt, 2nd by Elizabeth to accept the financial report as presented. MC.

A situation involving Day Money in Scotland was reviewed by Dan. Jared Schaefer and Scott Hollenbeck also added information on the event. Motion by Chuck, 2nd by Dave to not change the day money payments for Scotland 2013 SDRA Rodeo as they were paid. MC. Motion by Scott, 2nd by Dave to apply a \$50.00 fine to the individual involved in the Scotland incident. MC. Ann was instructed to apply the fine and send written notification of such.

The rule for unpaid ground money was reviewed and it was decided that the rule as it is printed needs to be clarified in the rule book. Unpaid day money, where there are no qualified rides, is paid back to the SDRA to be applied back to that event's SDRA Finals.

The next item on the agenda was the 2013 Finals Rodeo.

Personnel was discussed. Nominations were taken for judges and a ballot vote was conducted. Chuck Maher, Kelly Green and Barry Knippling will be asked to be the 2013 SDRA Finals Rodeo Judges.

A nomination for Rhonda Lesmeister and Mary Scott was received for timing. With no other nominations presented, they will be asked to time at the 2013 SDRA Finals Rodeo.

There was one bid for Announcer received from Ty Dean/Cody Kartak. Discussion followed. With no other bids presented, Ty and Cody will be asked to announce and provide sound at the rate of \$1500.00 for the event, including sound, and two motel rooms for Friday and Saturday.

The Photographer was discussed and several people were mentioned and addressed. It was suggested that Ann and Merretta look into photographer options and make that decision. They indicated they would do so.

Bullfighter choices were presented by Bull Riding Director Jared Schaefer. William Davies and Justin Mello will be asked to fight bulls at the 2013 SDRA Finals Rodeo.

The Saddle Bronc and the Bareback Riding Director's will choose pickup men and notify Ann within two weeks of this meeting.

Hay will be purchased from Jeff Jundt, if he has it is available.

Ann Sundermann will be the Secretary and will secure office personnel as needed.

We will have the fairgrounds secure ticket takers.

Dan will talk to Lance to work on securing a Rough Stock Chute Boss and Dave Marone will be the Timed Event Director.

Back Pen help will be offered to Sanford Deal and Lance will be asked to secure one other person.

The **Finals program** will be compiled and printed through SDRA Publicity Director Merretta Anderson. Merretta will also have the form that the event winners can fill out, to be used for the magazine publication next year. **Tickets** will be sent to the sponsors and Merretta will be designing the tickets.

Merretta Anderson reported on the **Cowboy Christmas Trade Show**.

Stock was discussed in length as the next item on the agenda. Motion by Mary Pat, 2nd by JJ, that the SDRA pay \$20.00 per run on cattle. MC. As discussed at the last meeting, each event can find stock to best fit their needs. SMB and SW will be getting calves/steers from Delbert Woodward for \$20.00 per run, dropped off. Larry Steele will be providing the Team Roping and Mixed Team Roping cattle at \$20.00 per run, to the chute. LBK will have Carole Hollers and Elizabeth Baker provided the breakaway cattle. Delbert was at the meeting and indicated that he would not have calf roping calves, unless Trey Young could bring them with him from Oklahoma. Dan, Trey and Delbert will work on the stock selection for the Calf Roping.

Rough Stock letters to the contractors for nominations will be sent out this week, with the final selection being made by the Event's Directors.

Team Penning Cattle will be secured by the Team Penning Director's.

A **free style bull fight** was mentioned and there is no intent to have one.

A **calf and breakaway roping and/or a team roping jackpot** were briefly mentioned. If a contractor is interested the Board will discuss it at that time.

The **High School Extravaganza** was discussed in length. If you include the gate taken in on that day, the event did not lose money. We have no indication that the contractor's will donate the cattle for this event. The SDRA mission statement was cited. A vote was taken by a show of hands and there were 8 ayes to have the event, to be held on Saturday afternoon. Someone is needed to hire to organize the event and make contact with the HS athletes. Ann indicated it is very hard for some of them to commit because of football playoffs and conference volleyball conflicts. The High School students will be invited based upon Season, or Regional points and

the JH contestants will be on year-end total points. Dan will secure stock for the event and ask Karla if she would be willing to organize it.

The **schedule** was the next item on the agenda. It was decided to have check-in completed by 12:00 pm Friday, with the individual event meetings to be at 1:00 pm Friday. The following Director's need to be elected at the annual meeting; Vice President, Secretary, BB, BR, LBA, Mixed TR, Judging, Stock Contractor, SW, TR Header, TR Heeler . Rule proposals need to be postmarked September 20th, and sent to Ann. They need to be signed and will be presented by the person submitting the proposal. This information needs to be in the next newsletter. The awards ceremony will be Events Center, but NOT on the stage, after the performance. It may take a while for the results to get tabulated, as internet has been a problem in the Events center. It should be before supper time so there will be no meal served. Military night is Friday night. Merretta will secure military personnel to present the flag for the National Anthem. Saturday night will be "tough enough to wear pink" night.

The need for a formal **grand entry** was indicated by all present and there will be a grand entry at the beginning of the Friday and Saturday performance. Any Director's who have secured sponsors are responsible for bringing a flag or banner for that sponsor if they want to display one, and they are also responsible for taking it down and returning it to the sponsor.

A **sponsor room**, or area, was entertained next. Mary Pat expressed an interest in having an area with water and perhaps meat and cheese trays for the sponsor are during the rodeo. A letter to them indicating such will be sent to them with their complimentary tickets. Mary Pat volunteered, and Dan volunteered Cathy Pirrung and Wendy Bechen to assist in setting up the sponsor area.

Performance Times were then covered. Motion by Mary Pat, 2nd by Samantha to have the Friday and Saturday performances start at 6:00 pm and the Sunday performance to begin at 10:30 am.

Mary Pat volunteered to work on securing an 8:30 am **Church Service**.

Dan is working with the Rapid City Sports council on securing the **Host Motel**.

Other new business to be entertained was called for.

There is a concern that other rodeos that are the same time as our SDRA rodeos are making it very difficult for contestants to call in on the entry line and get entered. Contestants, and some SDRA committees, have indicated that we are losing entries because of this. The feeling of the Board is such that this needs to be discussed with Mid West Rodeo Entries.

A situation regarding a judge call at the Martin Rodeo was discussed. Ann was asked to let the committee know that the judge did not make the correct call, even after the Event Director approached him and explained it to him.

There are several people who never received their buckles from 2009. Directors there were briefed on the buckle situation from that year. Three buckles will be ordered to complete the order and finalize the unfortunate situation.

The next meeting will be a conference call meeting, Dan will designate the date and time.

Seeing no further business a motion was entertained by Samantha, 2nd by Scott to adjourn. MC

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm CST.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Sundermann, SDRA Executive Secretary