

SDRA Meeting February 22, 2014

Governor's Inn Pierre, SD 12:00pm MT/1:00pm CST

President Dan Pirrung called the meeting to order at 1:05 CST. Roll call was taken with the following present: Dan Pirrung, Dave Marone, Merretta Anderson, Mark Kenyon, Courtney Whitman, Jared Schaefer, Elizabeth Baker, Steve Klein, Gary Garbe, Matthew Jones, ReAnn Crane, Scott Holleneck, Lane Lesmeister, Kaycee Wilking and Judy Stevens.

Minutes from January 22, 2014 were reviewed. Motion by Lance Lesmeister to except minutes, seconded by Gary Garbe, all in favor. Motion carried.

Merretta Anderson provided a financial report and stated that few 2012 sponsors had been collected and the 2013 sponsorships are beginning to be submitted. The Barrel Racing Account was discussed and it was brought to attention that the current SDRA electric eyes were needing replaced and the account could be used for this expense. Courtney Whitman said she would check into this and report back at the next meeting. With no other discussion Kaycee Wilking made motion to approve the financial report, seconded by Elizabeth Baker, all in favor. Motion carried.

Old Business:

The 2013 Judges' Clinic was reviewed and all that attended felt it went very well. Ways to increase attendance were discussed, with the possibility of offering a basic judging class and then a refresher course both to be instructed by a professional rodeo judge. President Pirrung also added that the SDRA does encourage all judges to attend a judges' workshop of some kind each year.

The details of the 2014 membership rodeo were discussed. The rodeo will be held March 15-16, 2014 at W.H. Lyons Fairgrounds in Sioux Falls, SD. Performances will be at 6:00pm CST on Saturday and 1:00pm on Sunday with slack to be held at 10:00am on Sunday. All non-mandatory events will be held during the slack on Sunday. Team Penning will be held on Saturday prior the rodeo as cattle will only be available on Saturdays. Alan Odden will serve as the announcer and Mary Scott and Roni Lesmeister as timers. Kelly Green will be one of the judges and Dan Pirrung will work on finding another. Dan stated Kevin Kosel was willing to bring bulls for cost of fuel and room. Lesmeister will work on other rough stock. Jace Melvin will supply timed event cattle. The Ramkota of Sioux Falls will serve as the host hotel. Jared Schaefer, bull riding director, will work on securing bullfighters. Shayne Porch and JJ Hunt will be the pickup men. Rodeo will be a \$50 entry fee and will be co-sanctioned by the NRCA and MRA. There will be \$300 added in each event. There will be a stock charge. Arena will be provided at a cost of \$2500. Chute sponsorships are available for \$300-\$500. All directors are encouraged to help with their events.

New Business:

Lance Lesmeister introduced the idea of a rough stock division/series that would be sanctioned by the SDRA. He said the earning would not count towards the all-around but would count towards the year end. He felt this would help to increase rough stock numbers. Dan Pirrung expressed concern about issue requiring a change in by-laws. No decision was made.

The printing of the 2014 SDR Magazine was discussed. In 2013, over \$9000 was spend on printing and shipping with a great number of the magazines being wasted. Merretta Anderson presented a proposal for a more inclusive finals program. The finals program would be at least 60 pages full color and include all sponsors as well as highlight stories. It will be very similar to the magazine however will give more attention to sponsors at the finals. Steve Klein made a motion to not print a 2014 magazine but instead print a full color finals program complete with day sheets. Seconded by Elizabeth Baker. It was discussed the entries for finals would have to be earlier to allow for inclusion of day sheet in the finals program. All voted in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Dave Marone to go into executive session to review 2014 Finals award bids. Seconded by Gary Garbe. All in favor. Board entered executive session at 2:04pm CST.

Board exited executive session at 2:40pm CST with the bid for 2014 SDR Finals saddles going to Triple R Tack of Rapid City, SD and the buckles being awarded to Maynard Buckles of Thoreau, NM.

Dan Pirrung presented the rodeo approval forms for Crooks, Wessington Springs, and White River. Motion by Courtney Whitman to approve, seconded by Lance Lesmeister, all in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Gary Garbe to go into executive session to discussion executive assistant position. Seconded by Steve Klein, all in favor. Motion carried. Board entered executive session at 2:56.

Board exited executive session at 3:07. No action taken.

Next meeting will be held at the Membership Rodeo in Sioux Falls.

Motion by Elizabeth Baker to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by ReAnn Crane. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Merretta Anderson

Executive Secretary