The South Dakota Rodeo Association Board of Directors met November 9, 2024 at the Casey Tibbs Center in Ft. Pierre. The meeting was called to order by Chuck Hamlin at 10:07 am, directors present were Barrel Racing-Heather Bosse; Ladies Breakaway-Bailey Tibbs; Team Penning-Mary Pat Fawcett and Vern Dubbelde; Judging Director-Barry Knippling; Committee Director-Karla Hofhenke and Scott Hollenbeck; Steer Tripping-Lonny Harrowa; Stock Contractor-Ronnie Wilson; Saddle Bronc-Lance Lesmeister; Vice-President-Judy Stevens and President-Chuck Hamlin.

Motion: Heather Bosse moved to approve the agenda as presented. Second: Bailey Tibbs Action: Motion passed

Motion: By Mary Pat Fawcett to go into executive session at 10:10 am to discuss personnel Second: Lance Lesmeister Action: Motion passed

Came out of executive session at 10:30 am

Motion: By Barry Knippling to approve the handling of Katie Brabec's dismissal Second: Heather Bosse Action: Motion passed

Motion: By Lonny Harrowa to have Karla Hofhenke temporarily take over the Executive Secretary duties until a new secretary can be hired. Second: Bailey Tibbs Action: Motion passed

Motion: By Judy Stevens to add Lance Lesmeister and Karla Hofhenke to the bank accounts held at Dakotah Bank in Faulkton, and to remove Katie Brabec from the account. Second: Mary Pat Fawcett Action: Motion passed

Motion: By Judy Stevens to post the position of the Executive Secretary, with applications due by December 15, 2024. Second: Heather Bosse Action: Motion passed

Motion: by Heather Bosse to purchase a new accounting system for the SDRA Second: Judy Stevens Action: Motion passed

Motion: By Heather Bosse to approve the minutes of the October 2, 2024 with corrections Second: Mary Pat Fawcett Action: Motion passed

Financials were presented from the finals, after taking out the added money for the events we show a loss of approximately \$10,000. We have approximately \$40,732 in the checking account with liabilities for the year for the awards of about \$29,000. There are quite a few of the awards sponsorships that have not been received or invoiced yet.

Motion: by Lance Lesmeister to approve the financials Second: Ronnie Wilson Action: Motion passed

Judy Stevens presented a report on the advance ticket sales, there were 269 that came through the door, Mary Pat Fawcett spent time prior to the finals handing out 1900 free kid's tickets at local schools, 49 were utilized. A circus was held in Huron at the same time as the finals and was a conflict.

Karla Hofhenke was instructed to post to the website, the unofficial results of the general membership meeting that was held at the finals in Huron.

Motion: By Lonny Harrowa made a motion to post Central Entry open for bids for 2025-2026 with applications due by December 15, 2024. Second: Barry Knippling Action: Motion passed

After discussion it was decided that stand alone events will need to follow all the rules as a rodeo and submit an application fee of \$30.

Discussion was held on the Rodeo of the Year award, Faith, Geddes, Isabel and Wessington Springs rodeos were all nominated with Geddes placing first and Faith as reserve.

Lonny Harrowa presented an idea on raffling off a Kubota next year as a fundraiser for the association, tickets would be 3/\$50, he will bring more information to the next meeting.

Motion: By Mary Pat Fawcett to pay Chuck Hamlin the \$10/per member as the President's fee Second: Heather Bosse Action: Motion passed

Next will be December 28, 2024 at the Casey Tibbs Center in Ft. Pierre

With no further business, meeting was adjourned.