

Board of Directors Meeting (via group text)

04/26/21 7:17PM

Participating Board Members: Derrick Bass, Chris Brown, Amy Colvard, Sharon Livengood, Jennifer Sanders, Amanda Melton, Mike Scism, Billy Williams, Toby Galliher

**TOPIC OF DISCUSSION: Shooting Points & Year end winners**

The group text was initiated by President, Derrick Bass in response to communication between Derrick and Chris Brown, Shooting Coordinator, in regards to a question Chris had about points being awarded. Based off of Derrick's conversation with Chris, Derrick felt that the shooting program was not being ran the way the board of directors thought it was. Because of this Derrick wanted to inform the entire board of the situation.

Per Derrick, in their conversation, Chris had asked why we were basing the year-end standing on points. He shared with Derrick that the shooting program had been basing year-end winners on shooting averages instead of pointing. He also shared with Derrick that the shooting program had been allowing contestants to drop their choice of 2 shoots, so they would not be counted in the year end standings. Derrick shared that he expressed to Chris that with the small number of shoots scheduled for the season, they should not be dropping any. Chris later shared, that was the way the former Shooting Coordinator handled the shoots and he followed suit. Chris also specified during the group text that there are 2 rounds/"shoots" per event. So we would have a total of 6 shoots for the year, but the last event is state finals.

Chris also questioned why, on the updated year-end standings spreadsheet, points were awarded to those who made call-in on Dec 14. This topic was addressed at the Board of Directors Meeting held on December 27, 2020 and ALL board members was emailed a copy of the minutes on January 11, 2021 for all who chose to read them.

The board had a discussion about the shoot at the Dec 27<sup>th</sup> board meeting because Chris had contacted Derrick about cancelling the Dec 19<sup>th</sup> shoot "because he only had a few to call-in". This cancellation was made the day after call-in. Which was the main issue. Chris was asked for the names of the kids that made call-in for the Dec 19<sup>th</sup> shoot. Chris's cancellation statement along with names of who made call-in was also emailed to Amy Colvard (copy of email at the end of minutes).

**Shooting average vs Points Discussion:**

In the group text Chris shared that SC awards using shooting averages and not points. Derrick shared that VA uses points not averages. Per National office, each state can decide. Chris shared that it was too late in the season to change from top averages to points. Amanda Melton shared via group text that points for 1<sup>st</sup> shoot was posted on website and expressed concern why there was no issued raised at that point. She also felt it didn't seem fair to change from points.

Chris expressed again that he didn't feel points should be awarded to those that made the call-in. He referenced the "one missed call-in allowance" we have. Amanda Melton shared that it was a "Late – call-in" NOT a "missed call-in". You can call in late but not just show up if you didn't call in at all. She said there was also a difference when you have a call-in and then decide not to have the performance. She shared the example that we still have events that have only 1 competitor in it. She also shared that no performance should be cancelled after the call in has been made unless there is an unsuitable weather issue. Chris shared that in rodeo we wouldn't give points for someone who just called into a

rodeo. Chris made a MOTION to have all call in points deleted due to the fact that there is no specific rule. The MOTION was not seconded by anyone.

(\*Note: In the past when we have had call-in and then had to cancel the rodeo due to weather – that rodeo was COUNTED as a rodeo that you attended, so the required number of rodeos for the season could be met. So they were not awarded points but they were rewarded for doing what they were supposed to do.)

Jennifer Sanders shared that if points were assigned to a placed position after the 1<sup>st</sup> shoot, points should be continued the rest of the season. She felt you cannot justify taking earned points away after they were given. She said she agreed with Amanda Melton in the fact that it should have been handled immediately after first shoot if there was an issue.

Amy Colvard shared that she felt what went wrong was that the board has not been involved or informed on how the shooting sports is being operated. She was placing no blame but said that no “ONE” board member has the authority to make a call in regards to the association all on their own. Whether that is rodeo, shooting, or reining/cutting. Chris commented that he would agree but no where is there a rule for call in points to be awarded for a cancelled shoot. Especially winning points! And there is also no rule that he seen that defines the acceptable reasons for cancelling a shoot. As pointed out by Amy the non-communication was the problem because Chris did not reach out to anyone else to see how things should be handled.

Jennifer Sanders pointed out that we should refer to the meeting minutes from Dec 27<sup>th</sup> and go by what was decided by the board members present at the meeting. Chris asked if the “reward” for calling in was specified? Derrick replied with what was referred to in the minutes that were emailed out to the board – that National office said it was the board’s decision to determine the reward/award. Board voted for the 5 kids that entered like they were supposed to be awarded “top place” at that time was set to 10 points per round because no one was aware the shooting was not using points to award year end. Jennifer reiterated, If it was voted on to award 10 points per round for 2 rounds to those that called in – then the vote should stand. (that comment was liked by Billy Williams and Sharon Livengood)

Sharon Livengood commented that after re-reading the minutes from the December meeting then it sounds like the board voted and had the ok from Nationals to point the ones that called in. Sharon asked the question – “should the shoot been cancelled without board approval?”

MOTION was made by Jennifer Sanders that if the board decided on 12/27/20 to award 10 points per round for 2 round to those that called in, then those points should stand.

MOTION was SECONDED by Amy Colvard with the addition of shoots should not be allowed to be dropped due to the low number of shoots held and no board approval to do so.

VOTES IN FAVOR:

Sharon Livengood, Jennifer Sanders, Amy Colvard, Billy Williams, Toby Galliher, Mike Scism

Jennifer Sanders made a comment that before next season – the board needs to set rules/guidelines for the shooter to clarify such issues. Chris agreed and commented that he had obviously been, mistaken under no fault of his own, running everything incorrect. He asked that the kids who have shot better than the rest not be punished. He stated, “should the board award end of year prizes to participants

that didn't outperform but got awarded points due to a coordinators mistake? Mike Scism stated that the participants that called into the cancelled shoot should get the points that they could have earned.

Amy Colvard stated that the standings are close and that no one kid is out due to the points being awarded. She reiterated that it was a board member's duty to attend board meetings and communicate with the board on all decisions made in favor of the association. Chris expressed that using points for year end make them seem closer in competition than they are in skill.

MOTION was made by Chris to continue the discussion tomorrow (4/27/21)  
No seconds were made.

Jennifer Sanders – AGAIN pointed out this had already been voted on and “top award” to the ones that called in would stand – no need to continue to the next day.

Justin Gillespie, National Director, shared that NCHSRA is operated using Roberts Rule of Order. The motion made and passed in December stands unless rescinded by the motion maker or someone who voted in favor of said motion. But, that motions can only be rescinded during business meeting with proper notice given.

No Motion was rescinded.

Chris Brown shared at 7:06 am the next morning (4/27/21) a snapshot of his phone log for Dec 14<sup>th</sup> – he said 2 of the numbers listed were Austin Williams and his son Cash Brown.

Amy Colvard commented – the snapshot was noted but the vote still stood. She also questioned why these two names were not on the original list of names that was given as who called in? Chris replied he was under the impression we wanted to know who called to advise them of the cancellation. Chris stated those names were who he had not contacted about the cancellation of the shoot. Amanda Melton questioned why not everyone was that called in was contacted? Chris replied that was not what he meant – he meant he had already notified the shooters that he had contact info for. Chris stated he was in the process of looking up contact info when he was asked who had called in.

Derrick replied with “The shooting points will remain to declare winners in shooting just like in the rodeo events and reining/cutting events. The association did not vote to drop events for this season, if an event was offered it is counted.

## Amy Colvard

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**From:** chris.e.brown@daimler.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 16, 2020 5:45 AM  
**To:** Amy Colvard  
**Subject:** RE: SHOOT INFO

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I contacted them all I had Sage, Gage, Zane & Adison.

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*minutes from 12/27 BOD Mtg  
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**From:** Amy Colvard <[amy.colvard@ncfbins.com](mailto:amy.colvard@ncfbins.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 15, 2020 2:38 PM  
**To:** Brown, Chris E. (605) <[chris.e.brown@daimler.com](mailto:chris.e.brown@daimler.com)>  
**Subject:** RE: SHOOT INFO

It is a busy time of year. Who was the kids that called in for this shoot?

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**Sent:** Tuesday, December 15, 2020 1:25 PM  
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Amy,  
Hope all is well, I'm going to have to cancel the shoot for Saturday I think it's too close to Christmas and only had a few call ins. I've already contacted the ones that called in and have a new date for March the 6<sup>th</sup>, also I'd like to have one on May the 8<sup>th</sup>.

Thanks Chris

Chris Brown  
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