

MRA Meeting Min
November 28th 2017, 7:00 pm Via Conf Call

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Jojo Wagner at: Jojo called meeting to rder at 7:03 pm
Attendance/Roll Call: **highlight members in attendance.** Underlined = nonvoting member

President: Jojo Wagner

VP: Dan Bergeson

Secretary: Jill Scott

Treasurer: Alicia Mengelkoch

Bull Riding: Kenny Betts & Wayne Johnston

Calf Roping: Cullen Hewitt & Mikey Loiseau

Over 40 CR: Royce Larson & Jon Engstrom

Barrel Racing: Camille Jacobsen & Kathy Stoker

Team Roping: Matt McCormick, Jimmy Jacobsen, Alan Oberfell, Eric Nelsen

Breakaway Roping: Katie Bell & Kaycee Wilking

Steer Wrestling: Luke Schubert, Pickles Dillman

Judges Director: Dru Wlking

Bareback: Dylan Pratt & Travis Fagen

Saddle Bronc: Eli VanBuren & Billy Hampton

Queen Director: Courtney Otto

Stock Director: Scott Berends

PR Director: MRA Queen (Tana Dirks)

Finals Director:

General Members: Kari Welle

Topic	Who	Decision/Action
Treasurers Report	Alicia	
Secretaries Report	Jill Scott	
Queen Report	Courtney, Tana	
Stock Committee Report	Scott B, Kenny B,	
Awards / Fundraising Committee	Jill Scott, Alicia, Jojo,	

Budget	Jojo, Alicia, Jill Scott	
Nominations	Jill Scott,	
Rules and Bylaws	Jojo, Jill Scott, Scott Berends, Dru Wilking	<p style="text-align: center;">Jojo reviewed the Mixed Team Roping Proposal, she also spoke with some team roper as well as other associations who have this.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">2018 Mixed Team Roping Proposal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mixed team roping contestants will include women, boys 14 years old and younger, and men 55 years old and older. • Boys must be 14 years of age or under on day of competition. Day of 15th birthday the contestant is no longer eligible to compete at regular season rodeos. All points accumulated up to the date of the 15th birthday will be reserved for finals eligibility. • Men must be 55 years of age or older on day of competition. • One person in the mixed team roping MUST fit the criteria of a mixed team roper. If two mixed contestants are roping together both contestants can earn points from their one run. • Slack event ONLY held after the open team roping. If the contractor needs the runs in a performance they can open mixed team roping runs up for the performance. • Mixed team roping standings will be on a roper basis. Top 15 contestants in the mixed team roping will make it to the finals. Headers and heelers standings will be combined to show the top 15 contestants. • NO capped number on the mixed teams that can enter each rodeo. • Mixed Team Roping shall be an “enter once” option. This is different from the number of times a person can enter “open” team roping • No mandatory added money to the mixed team roping BUT this a optional event for each MRA first approved rodeo. If money is added to the Mixed Team roping- it will be included in point system. • Optional to draw steers or chute run steers, up to the stock contractor. • Mixed team roping will follow the MRA Team Roping rules. • This will be an event held at the finals, it will be ran in a separate slack • There will be 2 appointed mixed team roping directors for helping run smoothly, answer questions, gather money for the finals for awards and added money if they chose. These directors would be able to call in to the meetings and voice their opinions, but will NOT have a vote as this is a temporary event.

- This event would count towards the women's all around standings, but the boys/men would have to designate all around event for team roping events (either mixed or open).
- At the time of finals, mixed team roping contestants can pick anyone to rope with them as long as that partner has a valid MRA card and has been to 3 MRA first approved rodeos.

Jojo reviewed and asked for questions. Royce asked what Scott with Triple B has to say about this. Jojo reports she spoke with Scott about this, he was unsure if he would be able to call in. Scott made it clear at the finals he would only do it if it was mandatory and Jojo reports she told him it is being proposed as mandatory. Jojo reports Scott said if it was not mandatory Scott offered to do a "trial year" and he will add Mixed Team Roping at 4 rodeos in 2018 and see how it goes. Joe Day reportedly said he would ask Simons about adding Mixed Team Roping at their events, as well as Jojo said she would add Mixed Team Roping at Little Falls Rodeo. Scott also thought about it being chute ran steers vs being drawn steers.

Jimmy asked Jojo her thoughts, and Jojo referred to Katie. Katie said she thinks it is a good idea, however a lot of girls who team rope go to U.S. finals which in 2017 was the same time as the MRA Finals. Jojo reports this event could be an opportunity to gain a few members, plus the girls who want to rope who are already card holders will probably enter. Plus the 55 year and older could encourage some of them to buy their card again. Eric asked what Scott said about extra cattle. Jojo said Scott said he would not need extra cattle if he only did 3-4 rodeos. Eric feels Scott needs to guarantee he will do 3-4 rodeos, and get approvals in to get this event advertised. Jimmy was concerned about the fact if this is an optional event, which rodeos will have this as an option. We would be more successful if we make sure this is an event at the larger rodeos. Jojo feels between Simons, and SDRA, and Little Falls and WI rodeos she feels we will be ok from the perspective of trying to ensure this is a success. Jimmy agreed.

This was proposed as a mandatory event, after Jojo reviewed Scotts discussion with her, we changed this proposal to read as optional.

Jon MM to pass this as discussed/Mikey 2nd it. Motion carried with no oppositions.

		This needs to sit for 30 days and the board will vote via email in 30 days to add to rulebook.
Finals	Jojo, Jill Scott, Alicia, Matt McCormick	<p>Review spreadsheet with options for MRA Finals 2018</p> <p>Jojo reviewed indoor options which is what the contestants have wanted. Jojo reports one thing that is added from last meeting is Ron in Verndale has offered an additional \$1000 jacket sponsor from a bit of tack as well as the offer of \$2000 to come plus guest passes included. Jill Scott feels while looking at all the options Verndale will be the best for the MRA looking at the budget, plus Ron is saying he would really like this to be a long term thing. Verndale is a nice place for the contestants, it is clean, and they have everything ready when we get there. Royce agreed, and Dan as well. Jojo asked if we should review the outdoor options. Jon felt we all have agreed indoor is what we want to do. Jon also asked would it be an option to ask for an additional \$1000. Jill Scott also suggested if we do get any more money, we should give it back to the contestants, like cheaper stalls, or shavings. Katie asked if a different weekend would be an option and Dan felt like the last weekend in October is the only option. Jojo reports she and Dan have talked about trying to obtain another sponsor to help with the contestant cost. Eric asked about the Little Britches coming again, which people are ok with, but he felt it would help the gate ticket sales if the Little Britches stalls were not so expensive. Camille asked about the companion passes, Jojo explained the bids, the bid for \$2000 to go o Verndale, with contestant passes, and \$1000 jacket sponsor.</p> <p>Camille made a motion to keep finals at Verndale at the \$2000, plus \$1000 jacket sponsor on October 26th and 27th 2018/Alan 2nd it. Motion carried with 1 opposition.</p>
Old Business	All	

New Business	All	
Nest meeting date and time: Adjourn:	All	Next meeting date: Royce MM to adjourn/Cullen 2 nd it. Meeting adjourn at 7:48 pm.