

# Meeting Minutes Minnesota Rodeo Association General Membership Meeting September 18th, 2010 RED HORSE RANCH Fergus Falls, MN (Gunderson)

**Call to Order:** Mike Grinager called to order at 10:00 am

**Attendance:** See attached attendance sheets

**Motion to approve August Meeting Minutes:** MMS Dustin Schilling/JoJo Varner. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** J. Johnson Account balance \$

MMS Toby Boeta/JoJo Varner to approve treasurer's report. Motion carried

**Secretary Report:** H. Gunderson ~ Total number of members this: 231 General Members, 48 Youth Members, & 16 Associate

## Committee Reports:

**Queen:** Rita Hamilton & Rachel Sawyer

Queen Contest to be held today after this meeting. There are two queen contestants competing for 2011 Queen.

**Stock:** Scott Berends, Cody Neisius, David Slipka, Dustin Schilling, Lance Schwartz

**Awards:** Heidi G, Jamie J, Dustin S, TJ Marino, Kelly Neisius,

- Awards and saddles will not be given out at the finals unless your event money has been received. See Heidi or Jamie for your account balances.
- Each events must bring in \$2000. This covers 2 champion saddles (one year end and one average saddle, and 2 buckles one reserve year end and one reserve average.) Buckles can be ordered for \$100.
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**Fundraising:** Mike Grinager, Karl Johnson, Emmett Davis, Jamie J, Heidi G, JoJo Varner

- 2011 will have a raffle again. The raffle brought us in a total of \$8000 plus still selling tickets until we draw tonight during the performance. There was a discussion about what we would like to do for the 2011 raffle. Membership would like to do what we did this year and NOT to do a truck raffle at \$100 a ticket. Will be talked about more at board meetings.

**Budget:** Mike Grinager, Jamie Johnson. Event balances were noted.

**Nominations:** Matt Tellegen, Steve Kuntz, Ryan Olson, Kelly Neisius, Bill VanLith

- All directors are two year terms.
- Directorships open for new terms listed below:
- Bareback: Dru Wilking/Jason Lenzen...ask TJ Marino to resign
- Saddle Bronc: Tyler Sohenstahl/Wes Jensen
- Breakaway Roping: Heidi Gunderson/Jamie Johnson
- Steer Wrestling: Ryan Olson/Jeremy Wagner
- Team Roping: Cody Neisius/Bill VanLith

- Barrel Racing: Kelly Neisius/Sherry Sampson
- Calf Roping: Steve Kuntz to terminate.../Toby Boeta & ?
- Over 40 Calf Roping: Emmett Davis/David Slipka
- Bull Riding: Rudy Borntragger/Mike Klemek...pending resignations of Josh Trest and lance Schwartz
- MMS to accept directors JoJo Varner/Kaycee Wilking. Motion carried.

**Rules and Bylaws:** Greg Caron, Mike Grinager, Heidi G, Josh Trest, Matt Tellegen, Sherry Sampson

- See attached sheet of rule proposals that were voted on at the finals.

**Finals:** Toby Boeta, Mike Grinager, Heidi Gunderson, Greg Caron, Jamie Johnson

- Mike Grinager asked for feedback from membership if this is the finals that they would like to have. Advertising was talked about, are we doing enough? We advertise only in Fergus. Do we need to expand our advertising to other areas. Are we in the right spot? Are we at the right time of year? Time of our rodeo was last night was 3 hours and 35 minutes. We should be at 2 and half hours. Everyone needs to hurry up and get someone who is in charge to hustle people along. We loose college kids with this time of year. Slack? Go to less people in the performances. The board was asked if we should change the number of people in the performance on a sliding scale. The majority was agreeable to this. The board will draft a proposal to look at less people in our performance for finals on a sliding fee scale. Emmett Davis spoke about putting on a show that people want to go to with clown acts, well known bands, etc.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

### **1. 2010 Hall Of Fame Nominations:**

- Please fill out a nomination form if you would like to nominate someone.

### **2. 2010 Rodeo of the Year:**

- Submit your ballots and count will be tabulated after finals are over. Ballots were handed out in your packets you got at check in.
- Rodeos on the ballot are only MRA First Sanctioned Rodeos

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

### **1. Events Meet:**

- BB: No concerns
- SB: No concerns
- SW: no concerns
- CR: Rewriting drag rule
- O40: Helping draft drag rule

- BCR: No concerns
- TR: MMS to do \$3 per person per entry at MRA first rodeos for sponsorship fund. Motion carried.
- BR: no concerns
- CBR: no concerns
- Mixed Team Roping: was a trial event for 2010. MMS to let it go. Motion carried.

## **2. 2011 Membership Rodeo**

- First rodeo of the 2011 Season will be held October 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> at the Minnesota State Fairgrounds during the Minnesota Equifest. This rodeo will be a membership rodeo for the MRA and the MRA secretary will be there accepting membership for 2011. You can buy your membership at the rodeo and your points will count. Your membership must be purchased before you compete for you points to count towards 2011 Point Standings.

**Next Meeting Date: To be emailed out to directors and members.**

Meeting **adjourned** by \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ pm.