

**MONTANA HIGH SCHOOL RODEO ASSOCIATION  
BOARD MEETING  
GREAT FALLS, MT – 06/11/2022**

**President Ryle Harms called the meeting to order at 7:19 AM.**

In Attendance: Ty Parker, Radley Dempewolf, Tim Larson, Tobin Arnold, Tater Erickson, Clint Begger, Joe Robb, Kari Trexler, Ryan Gaasch, Jay Wagner, Ricki Grebe, Mary Gibson, Grace Wiening, Debbie Lund, Billie Harms, Bernette Wagner, Dan Wyatt, Denver Gilbert, Hailey Burger, Rachel Ward, Kate Wiening, Hailey Gliko, Kim & JC Youngquist, Amy Wiening

Minutes from previous meeting of 6/8/2022, in Great Falls were read by Debbie.

**MOTION:** Tater moved to approve the minutes as read.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Radley

Motion Carried.

**High School Secretary's Report – Debbie**

Nothing new to report from last meeting. Thanked the board for the opportunity to be the state secretary.

**Jr. High Secretary's Report – Billie**

Billie spoke with Susan with Montana Expo Park regarding the arena conditions more specifically the ground. Colter can ask them to set the arena any way he wants and request the ground be worked a specific way.

Susan wants us to be happy, have safe ground and the arena looking good. She is open to suggestions.

Reported that Barb Clark would like to step down as the Raffle Ticket Coordinator. Debbie mentioned that she has a person who may be interested.

Billie also mentioned the new deadlines for the raffle tickets and that even though it was different than in years past that it was nice having the ticket deadline earlier. Only issue is that we kept getting new members after the raffle deadline

**MOTION:**

Ryan moved to give late members 4 weeks to get their raffle tickets sold.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Tater.

Amend the motion: If a membership is purchased after March 15<sup>th</sup>, then the member has 4 weeks to sell and turn in their raffle tickets. The postmark date will be 4 weeks from the date of membership.

Motion Carried

**President's Report – Ryle**

The State Rodeo is going well in the arena. Everything is running smoothly. The state finals host committee (Colter Heckman) needs improvements in some areas.

**National's Director Report – Jay**

The state finals are going well, all the kids have been great about being ready to compete and all the student event directors are doing an excellent job.

The team shirts sponsorship from GFK/PRG is ending this year. We have required a \$30 deposit per shirt for the national contestants and they will receive that back when they return the shirts. Junior High contestants received their shirts at the JH State Finals. HS Contestants will not be able to get theirs until they arrive in

Gillette. Jay would like to see us produce a plan for new shirts for the upcoming years, a plan will be brought to the Lewiston meeting. Discussion held on what to do with the existing shirts after this year.

**MOTION:**

Tater moved to sell the GFK/PRG shirts that we can for \$30 each.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Tim.

Motion carried

**Student Officer's Report – No Report**

**Crisis Fund - No Report**

**Promotions Committee- Ryan**

Ryan discussed raffle items. The 4-wheeler has been ordered from RMC due to the shortage of inventory. The current budget was discussed.

**MOTION:**

Ty moved to give the Promotions Committee a \$30,000 budget.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Clint.

Motion Carried

**Judge's Report – No Report**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1.Reimbursement to Amy Wiening for sponsor flags and graphic designs.

**MOTION:**

Tater moved to reimburse Amy Wiening the \$1250 she spent for sponsor flags and graphic design.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Clint

Motion Carried

Discussion held about future spending for the sponsors and a budget for Amy.

**MOTION:**

Tater moved that 15% of the sponsorship should allocated to promote that sponsor with a \$500 maximum. Anything over \$500 will need the executive board's approval.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Ty

Motion Carried.

2.Timer Pay – Discussion held on the best way to pay the timers at the qualifying rodeos.

**MOTION:**

Jay moved to increase our gate fee to \$3.00 with \$1.00 to be split between the two timers.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe.

Five opposed, five in favor

Motion failed.

3.Third Judge Requirements – The feed back from the judges was that they did not want a decrease in pay. They all thought that 350-400 runs constituted having a third judge. Discussion held.

**MOTION:**

Ty moved to leave the third judge requirement as it currently is.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Kari.

Motion Carried

4. Turn Out Proposal – Discussion held regarding the proposal.

**MOTION:**

Tobin moved to approve the proposal with the addition that a notified turn out of an event must be made 2 hours prior to the start of the rodeo.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Jay

Motion Carried

The Turn Out Proposal will be added to our ground rules.

5. State Finals Stock – Discussion held about requiring the stock contractors for the state rodeo to have used their stock at 6 qualifying rodeos. It was decided that we should leave it as is for the 2022-23 season and the remaining of the state contract.

**MOTION:**

Tater moved to table the state finals stock requirements to the Lewistown meeting with Ryle producing a written proposal.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Ryan

Motion Carried

6. Shooting Sports – Dan Wyatt went over some ideas that he had produced since the last meeting. He would like a minimum of four qualifying shoots to qualify for the state rodeo. Two events held on the west and two on the east. Discussed incentives for the contestants such as end of year awards. Discussed also having an emt or medical kit at all shooting events.

We will need to change the ARTS program to add shooting sports as an event to enter and to keep track of points. We also need to add the option of shooting sports on our rodeo approvals.

**MOTION:**

Tater moved to approve shooting sports as an event in the Montana High School Rodeo Association.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Ryan

Motion carried

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Introduction of new student officers: Hailey Burger- Pres., Rachel Ward – VP, Kate Wiening – Sec. and Hailey Gliko – Queen. Kari Trexler – new dist. 5 State Director to replace Jim Garrison. Thanked the existing student officers.

2. Queen Budget – Bernette went over the current queen budget. She had a budget of \$1000 when she took over the queen coordinator position several years ago. She was approved for a \$1500 budget, but she went over due to rising costs. Discussed coming up with a cost per contestant for future competitions.

**MOTION:**

Ryan moved to pay Bernette for all the current queen expenses.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Tim

Motion carried

### 3. Election of President and Vice President

#### President Nominations:

Ty nominated Denver Gilbert. Denver declined due to Ryle Harms stating he would be president another year.

Tobin nominated Ryle Harms. No other nominations. Ryle Harms in the President for the 2022-23 season.

#### Vice President Nominations:

Ryan nominated Tater

Tater nominated Denver

Jay nominated Ryan

Vote held by private ballot.

Tater Erickson is the 2022-23 Vice President.

### 4. Fall Rodeo Approvals – discussion held regarding committees not having their paperwork in on time.

Some changes were made to the existing fall schedule as some committees are no longer having rodeos.

#### **MOTION:**

Kari moved to approve the fall schedule with the changes discussed.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe

Motion carried

### 5. Secretary Contracts

#### **MOTION:**

Jay moved to hire Debbie as HS Secretary & Billie as JH Secretary for the 2022-23 season.

2<sup>n</sup> by Tater

Motion carried

#### **MOTION:**

Tater moved to reimburse the secretaries per state mileage per diem.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Kari

Motion carried

#### **OPEN DISCUSSION:**

It was suggested that board members email recommendations to Ryle or Debbie on how to improve the State Rodeo so we can discuss with Colter Heckman

Tater brought up the TV deal and feels our arena needs to look better and have more uniform tarping.

Discussion held on what this may cause. Everybody can see what we are doing.

Denver brought up that we have a big board with sponsors listed off to the side, this would need approved.

Next meeting will be August 19<sup>th</sup> in Lewistown at 6 pm at the fairgrounds.

#### **MOTION:**

Jay moved to adjourn the meeting

2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe

Motion carried