

**MONTANA HIGH SCHOOL RODEO ASSOCIATION  
BOARD MEETING  
LEWISTOWN, MT – 08/22/2020**

**President Ryle Harms called the meeting to order at 9:00 PM.**

**In Attendance:** Radley Dempewolf, Tim Larson, J.T. Robbins, Ricki Grebe by phone, Tater Erickson, Tobin Arnold, Clint Begger, Joe Robb, Travis Sigman, Ryan Gaasch, Jay Wagner, Harley Meged, Bailey Benson, Braleigh Garrett, Laney Johnson, and Laurie Harrell

Minutes from previous meeting of 06/06/2020, in Baker were read by Laurie.

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

2<sup>nd</sup> by Jay

Motion Carried

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

**MOTION:** Tater moved to approve the High School Secretary's Report

2<sup>nd</sup> by Tobin

Motion carried

**Jr. High Secretary's Budget**

JT moved to approve the Jr. High Secretary's Budget

2<sup>nd</sup> by Tater

Motion Carried

**President's Report – Ryle**

Tami McDonald has had a big sign printed up every year to take to Nationals with pictures of the National Team. She would like the MHSRA to pay for it, or at least part of it. Jay stated that if the Board pays for it, what do they do with it afterward. Discussion.

**MOTION:** Jay made a motion to table it until the January meeting

2<sup>nd</sup> by Ryan

Motion Carried

**National Director's Report – Jay**

- National Finals was outstanding, and the kids had a great showing.
- Got another Yeti cooler to go into our raffle, plus 2 can cookers that we can do whatever we want with.
- Our State Basket brought \$4,300 and was the 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner.
- High School Nationals will be in Lincoln, in 2021, and Des Moines IA, for Jr. High Nationals
- Mid-Winter meeting will be in Michigan or Denver, depending on Covid

- Nationals has the Western Legacy Series with 5 rodeos in different states. Last year they were set up to be in Georgia, Oklahoma, Utah, North Dakota, and Ohio. They are putting up \$10,000 added money for each rodeo. They are doing the Western Legacy Series again this season.
- Turner's Horse Sale next weekend, the same as the Helena Rodeo. Jay will not be able to get kids to the Horse Sale because of the rodeo. They need about 6 kids to clean about 30 stalls on Friday evening and Saturday morning. Bernette and the directors said they would get the help needed.
- Jay will keep talking to Jamy Patterson about the National Team Shirts and how to deal with them. Jamy is interested in staying with it for a couple of years.

### **Promotions Committee – Ryan**

Picked up the trailer and is taking it to Butte to get the stickers put on to go to Turner's Horse Sale and to the Dillon Rodeo. There will be some tickets in it. Tami Bowen said she would check on having it at the NILE, but the NILE will be at Miller's Horse Palace and there could be limited parking.

Tater and Ryan think Farmer's Union will be a pretty big sponsor, possibly up to \$10,000. They need to wait until the offices open up from the Covid to go in and talk to them. They have to figure out how to make it a value for them to do business with us.

Ryan will talk to Stockman Bank to see if he can get more money this year for possibly getting the Stockman Bank patches on the High School National Coats.

### **Judge Coordinators – Radley**

Would like to get Judges Evaluations online so people can print them off. Need the State Directors to fill them out, even if it is not for their District's rodeos.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Jay Linderman and Tami Bowen from Hall and Wall came to introduce themselves to the new BOD. They have eighteen members on their board. They have two purposes: the 1<sup>st</sup> is to honor cowboys of the past at their annual banquet, and second, give out high school scholarships. Discussion of their plans for this year's banquet. Their Banquet has been falling short so that is why they are going on the road with the trailer and the Legacy Club to help supplement their funds. Tami stated that it would be nice if parents of the MHSRA members would become members of the Legacy Club and spread the word about it. Radley asked if some of the committee members would like to come sit in on the interviews at State Finals. He said he thought it would mean a lot to the kids to have them there. The Hall and Wall Banquet will be January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

### **2. Animal Cruelty – Ryle**

We need to, as a Board, crack down on animal abuse outside the arena. Some things happened at Nationals and was aired on TV. There have been phone calls from College coaches asking why this is happening at our State Finals. Discussion. Tater said we need to send a letter to the membership about it, signed by the BOD and the State Student Officers.

**MOTION:** Tater made a motion to send out a letter to all the membership about animal cruelty

2<sup>nd</sup> by Ryan

Discussion

Motion carried

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

### 1. NRA Judges/Timers Clinic – Travis

Will be held in January during the Circuit Finals. The Kesler's will be putting it on. It would cost MHSRA \$300 for their half of it.

**Motion:** Radley made the motion for MHSRA to pay for half of the NRA Judges/Timers Clinic in January 2021, held during the Circuit Finals

2<sup>nd</sup> by Tater

Motion carried

Open Discussion:

Next meeting in Billings on January 31<sup>st</sup> at 9:00 am. MHSRA should buy 2 tables at the Hall and Wall for everyone to come and support them.

Laney stated that the Queen's American Flag needs replaced.

**Motion:** Travis made a motion to pay for a new American Flag for the Queen

2<sup>nd</sup> by Tobin

Motion carried

**MOTION:** Laney moved to adjourn the meeting.

2<sup>nd</sup> by J. T.

Motion Carried (10:15 am)