



WPRA Board Minutes 3/8/2022

WPRA Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

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Meeting Start: 4:07 PM MT

Meeting End: 7:40 PM MT

In attendance: Heidi Schmidt, Kaylee Gallino, Lacy Wilson, Megan McCleod-Sprague, Dillon McPherson, Katie Pascoe, Patti Roberts, Kim Thomas, Eileen Lang-Kramme, Julie Herman, Jolee Lautaret-Jordan, Becky Nix, Carla Beckett, Lois Ferguson, Dana Eisemeier, Darla Lindt and Jimmie Munroe.

Jimmie Munroe brings the meeting to order

- 1) WPRA Tour topic was revisited by Patti Roberts with the goal of bringing the Tour back to the circuit level as originally intended. There were a few thoughts shared and the Board agreed to look at the WPRA Tour concept more in depth at the Spring Board meeting.
- 2) PESI Committee updates were given concerning rodeo schedule, stallion auction, and futurities scheduled for 2022. The PESI Committee will have more details to share at the Spring Board meeting about recommended direction for the program.
- 3) Katie Pascoe's tabled motion to disclose how each Director votes in board meeting minutes was brought back for discussion and vote.

Motion was made by Katie Pascoe to disclose how Directors vote on the board meeting minutes.

2nd Motion was made by Heidi Schmidt

Lois Ferguson reminded the Board of the Proxy vote procedures according to the rule book.

12 Yes Votes as follows:

Heidi Schmidt – 2nd

Kaylee Gallino

Katie Pascoe – Motion

Megan McCleod-Sprague

Dillon McPherson

Carla Beckett

Kim Thomas

Patti Roberts

Lois Ferguson

Lacy Wilson

Julie Herman

Jolee Lautaret-Jordan

1 Abstain vote

Eileen Lang-Kramme

1 Absent from vote

Becky Nix

Katie Pascoe and Heidi Schmidt brought the WPRA Rodeo Barrel Application revisions suggested by the Ground Committee to the Board for review, discussion and decision. The purpose of the new application is to help facilitate the ground conversation with Rodeo Committees and ground contact person for rodeo. Also added are recent rule changes for judges to review as a quick reference.

Motion is made by Heidi Schmidt to accept the amended WPRA Rodeo Barrel Application.

2nd Motion was made by Lacy Wilson

Yes Votes are as follows:

Heidi Schmidt – Motion

Kaylee Gallino

Katie Pascoe



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Megan McLeod-Sprague
Eileen Lang-Kramme
Dillon McPherson
Carla Beckett
Kim Thomas
Patti Roberts
Lois Ferguson
Lacy Wilson – 2nd
Julie Herman
Jolee Lautaret-Jordan
1 Absent from vote
Becky Nix

4) Dillon McPherson and Rules Committee recommend language clarification on rule 12.8.2.1.1 and 8.8.2.3 as follows:
12.8.2.1.1. If a committee drags after half the number of contestants a rodeo is set up for, they will be allowed to remove the notified turnouts and releases from the draw and move the remaining contestants up to fill those positions condensing the drag. **Non-notified turnouts will be kept in the draw and counted as a run.** Should they choose to condense the drag, it must be listed in the ground rules for the rodeo prior to entries closing or they will not have the option to remove the notified turnouts and releases from the draw and condense the drag. After the turnout deadline, the secretary will post at the rodeo office the new dragging positions with the notified turnouts and releases removed from the draw. Any notified turnouts who reverse their turnout per rule 10.8.8. will run at the end of their performance or slack with no additional dragging for them.

8.8.2.3. For multiple go-round rodeos, as long as the contestant competes in at least one go-round, the rodeo will be included in her rodeo count.

There was additional discussion about the current LER Guidelines and new options presented by Megan McLeod-Sprague. The Directors agreed they needed more time to review the current guidelines compared to the proposal submitted and this would go on the Spring Board meeting agenda.

Motion is made by Julie Herman to accept the clarification language on rules 12.8.2.1.1 and 8.8.2.3 and add these changes to the rulebook online and send to the Judges.

2nd Motion is made by Lacy Wilson

Yes Votes are as follows:

Heidi Schmidt
Kaylee Gallino
Katie Pascoe
Megan McCleod-Sprague
Eileen Lang-Kramme
Dillon McPherson
Kim Thomas
Lois Ferguson
Lacy Wilson – 2nd
Julie Herman – Motion
Jolee Lautaret-Jordan

2 dropped off call

Carla Beckett
Patti Roberts

1 Abstain
Beck Nix



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- 5) Jimmie Munroe updated the Board of Directors on Calgary Stampede and the ground rules submitted for review. Canada has relaxed the mask mandates and all events no longer require the mask and can have full occupancy. There was much discussion on the proposed qualifications and what qualifications guidelines were used in the past. Many Directors shared their concern for the vaccine requirement at the border and also the results of the member surveys for CPRA and Calgary Stampede. There was much discussion and input about the challenge of making a business decision, giving members a choice but also the concerns about the requirement of the vaccine to cross the border to compete. It was noted that Canadian members also have to get the vaccine to enter the US to compete. The decision was made for Jimmie to go back to Calgary with the request to have similar qualification as in the past and then bring Calgary Stampede back to the Board via email for a vote to approve or not.

The following will be proposed to Calgary for 2022:

- Top six (6) from the 2021 WPRA Pro Rodeo final standings (drop-down until filled)
- Top four (4) from the 2022 WPRA Pro Rodeo Standings as of Date - TBC (drop-down until filled)
- Top four (4) from the 2021 CPRA final standings (drop-down until filled)
- Top four (4) from the 2022 CS Ladies Barrel Racing Qualifier (drop-down until filled)
- Top four (4) from the 2021 WPRA Tour final standings (drop-down until filled)

Furthermore, the Calgary Stampede agrees to 50% of the Showdown Champion Payout (\$25K) counting towards the 2022 WPRA Pro Rodeo standings.

- 6) Jimmie Munroe shared the need to discuss the CPRA agreement for another year term. There was similar discussion to Calgary about the border requirements, the business standpoint and giving Canadian members opportunity to contest in Canada. Also discussed were the differences between agreeing to the CPRA agreement for one more year vs Calgary Stampede approval. Also mentioned was the importance of making a decision due to the 3/31/22 members' dues date.

Motion is made by Julie Herman to approve the CPRA agreement for another year.

2nd Motion was made by Lacy Wilson

9 Yes Votes/3 No Votes

Yes votes are as follows:

Heidi Schmidt
Kaylee Gallino
Eileen Lang-Kramme
Dillon McPherson
Carla Beckett
Patti Roberts
Lois Ferguson
Lacy Wilson - 2nd
Julie Herman - Motion

No votes are as follows:

Katie Pascoe
Becky Nix
Jolee Lautaret-Jordan

Dropped off call:

Megan McLeod-Sprague
Kim Thomas

- 7) Jimmie Munroe calls for **Executive Session** for 3 remaining topics.

Motion is made by Lacy Wilson to send a constant contact to members of the PRCA/WPRA agreement parameters.

2nd Motion was made by Heidi Schmidt

Extensive discussion



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11 Yes Votes/0 No Votes

Yes votes are as follows:

Heidi Schmidt – 2nd
Kaylee Gallino
Katie Pascoe
Eileen Lang-Kramme
Dillon McPherson
Carla Beckett
Patti Roberts
Lois Ferguson
Lacy Wilson - Motion
Julie Herman
Jolee Lautaret-Jordan

Dropped off call:

Megan McLeod-Sprague
Becky Nix
Kim Thomas

- 8) Jimmie notifies Board that a challenge to the Texas Circuit Director election was submitted by Kappy Allen.

Motion is made by Patti Roberts to conduct a recount of the Texas Circuit Director election through the current WPRA Auditor but use a completely different Auditor in the firm who was not a part of the first count of the ballots. A contingent approval was given to the Executive Secretary to authorize a recount in the Presidential and Vice Presidential election should a challenge come in from a candidate who did not win within the two week challenge period.

2nd Motion was made by Julie Herman

Extensive discussion

10 Yes Votes/0 No Votes

Yes votes are as follows:

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Kaylee Gallino
Katie Pascoe
Eileen Lang-Kramme
Dillon McPherson
Carla Beckett
Patti Roberts - Motion
Lacy Wilson
Julie Herman – 2nd
Jolee Lautaret-Jordan

Dropped off call:

Megan McLeod-Sprague
Becky Nix
Kim Thomas

1 Abstain

Lois Ferguson

- 9) Director Indemnification discussion

Motion is made by Patti Roberts to indemnify a Director in accord with the bylaws.

2nd Motion is made by Lacy Wilson

Extensive discussion



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8 Yes Votes/1 No Vote/1 Abstain

Yes votes are as follows:

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Katie Pascoe
Eileen Lang-Kramme
Dillon McPherson
Carla Beckett
Patti Roberts - Motion
Lacy Wilson – 2nd
Julie Herman by Proxy

No votes are as follows:

Jolee Lautaret-Jordan

1 Abstain:

Lois Ferguson

Dropped off call:

Megan McLeod-Sprague
Becky Nix
Kim Thomas

Jimmie Munroe adjourns meeting 7:40 PM MT