

**WPRA Board of Meeting Minutes
Teleconference Call
7/18/2018**

In Attendance: Doreen Wintermute, Jerri Mann, Heidi Schmidt, Margo Ransom, Patti McCutchen, Chris Powers, Lois Ferguson, Dillon McPherson, Melanie Luark, Eileen Lang Kramme, Cindy Gillespie, Marlene McRae, Stacey Freitas, Toni Karr, and Julie Herman. Dana Eismeier and Janet Cropper.

Not in Attendance: Patti Roberts

1. WPRA President, Doreen Wintermute calls the meeting to order.

2. Review of the 2018 Circuit Finals Ground Rules (GR): WPRA President, Doreen Wintermute reviewed the submitted GRs. No substantive changes from the prior year.

Motion by Great Lakes Director, Margo Ransom: I move that the Board accept the 2018 Circuit Finals Ground Rules as submitted.

2nd by Texas Director, Lois Ferguson

14 Yes votes/0 No votes

Motion passes.

3. Review of 2018 Puyallup Ground Rules (GR): WPRA President, Doreen Wintermute shared that the PRCA has agreed to add \$42,500 from their Sponsorship allocation to the barrel race. The committee added money and sponsor added money will be the same for all events.

Motion by Great Lakes Director, Margo Ransom: I move that the Board accept the 2018 Puyallup application and GRs with the payout for this event reflecting an additional \$42,500 over the committee added money.

2nd by the Futurity Director, Marlene McRae

14 Yes votes/0 No votes

Motion passes.

4. 2018 Omaha Format Update: The Prairie Director, Cindy Gillespie highlighted discussions between the Omaha Committee and Stock Contractor Binion Cervi regarding the number of contestants for this rodeo. The original committee request was a limit of 24. Mr. Cervi has been in dialog with the committee to try to get the barrel racing numbers to be the same as the timed events. The goal is 74. The Prairie Director will come back to the Board, once the discussions are concluded.

5. The American Update: WPRA President, Doreen Wintermute shared that the Breakaway should be exciting with WPRA members being part of this year's competition. The agreement between the WPRA and The American is being drafted. One version has already been shared with our attorney for feedback. The PRCA has not yet shared how it will handle the five (5) rodeos that will count toward The American as qualifiers.

6. The President's Update: WPRA President, Doreen Wintermute has been out on the road this summer competing. She wants the Board to know that implementation in whatever the WPRA does is important to members. While at Salinas she conducted a General Membership meeting. The meeting was good. The two (2) most consistent questions that she gets asked while traveling is 1) why can't slack be after performances as listed in the rule book, and 2) why the ground for the barrel racing is not more consistent between performances and slack.

7. 2019 Rule Proposal Review:

P.2- rule Rodeo year cut off by circuits. **Table for further discussion**, possible at the NFR.

P.40- rule 9.1.2.1 Clean up. **No objection**. See attached sheet.

P. 47 & 48- rules 9.3.3, 9.3.6 & 9.3.14. Inserting member social media responsibilities. **Accept. No objection**. See attached sheet.

P.52- rule 10.1.10. All rodeos with less than \$3,000 must accept permits. **Accept. No objection**. See attached sheet.

P.60- rule 10.4.3.1.1 adding clarification language. **No objection**. See attached sheet.

P. 63- rules 10.5.1 & 10.5.4 request to restate the rule. **Rejected. No objection**. See attached sheet.

P. 79- rule 12.3.9.2 when not a circle- 12'X12'x12'. **Accepted. No objection**. See attached sheet.

P. 83- rule 12.9.6 & 12.9.6.1 stronger language about preparing ground and tool usage at rodeos. **Back to Rules committee for more work**. See attached sheet.

P. 65- rule 10.6.1.5 **Bring back to next meeting**.

P.81- rule XXX. **Reject**. See if information can be added application. **No objection**. See attached sheet.

New: have membership vote for Annual Special Awards. **Reject. No objection**. See attached sheet

New: for Divisional Circuit Jackpot applications late charges if submitted in less than 30 days and consider a change fee. Accept \$20 late fee between 16-30 days. Table the change fee. **No objection**. See attached sheet.

New: Request for circuit Permit Standings. **Tabled for further discussion and assign a committee**. See attached sheet.

New: Request for increased recognition or resources against Permits. **Tabled for further discussion**

New: If a horse falls during competition and contestant walks out of arena, the rodeo should not count as an official entry. **Rejected. No objection**. See attached sheet.

New: Set 5 as the # of large rodeos that each Director must attend. **Rejected. No objection**. See attached sheet.

New: create a walk up replacement process for barrel racing. **Reject. No objection**. See attached sheet.

P. 158, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 170, 182, 185, 191, 192 & 195 and 196. **All roping related cleanups/clarifications or new rule. No objections**. See attached sheet.

Meeting adjourned.