

**WPRA Board of Meeting Minutes
Teleconference Call
8/14/2018**

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

Not in Attendance: Eileen Lang-Kramme

1. WPRA President calls the meeting to order.

2. ProRodeo Hall of Fame Update: WPRA President, Doreen Wintermute said that the 2018 induction was a great success. There were many positive comments about the good partnership that exists between the WPRA and the PRCA. We are also happy to announce that the WPRA has been found a sponsor to help us with the display cases.

3. Equine Medications & Prohibited Substances Update: WPRA Chief Operating Officer, Janet Cropper reviewed the report. WPRA President, Doreen Wintermute shared that she heard positive feedback from both Calgary and the contestants at Calgary about fully understanding the rules for Calgary.

4. Review of 2018 Omaha Application and Ground Rules (GR): The Prairie Director, Cindy Gillespie reviewed the GRs. The purse will be at \$10,000 and the committee has agreed that the barrel race will have the same limit as the other timed events.

Motion by Southeastern Director, Patti Roberts: I move that the Board accept the 2018 Omaha application and GRs as submitted.

2nd by Prairie Director, Cindy Gillespie

14 Yes votes/0 No votes

Motion passes.

5. PRCA and The American Update: WPRA President, Doreen Wintermute shared highlights of discussions with PRCA CEO, George Taylor. They include: sponsorship changes, current thinking regarding a possible points system and rodeo tier system, expectations for a new ProCom system, etc. CEO Taylor said he would try to help the WPRA in terms of advancing the dialog with both judges and stock contractors as it pertains to eyes and markers.

6. Review of Alleged Major Rule Violation: Alleged violation of rules 9.3.3, 9.3.6 & 9.3.17 which covers knowingly, recklessly and willfully causing trouble, harassing officials and conduct and speech that is detrimental to WPRA reputation, public image, etc.
Hearing. Board discussion.

Motion by: I move that the Board dismiss the alleged violations and enforce the violation of rule 9.2.3 and assess a \$100 dress code violation. In addition, they requested that the member receive a letter of stern warning regarding behavior and speech.

2nd by:

10 Yes votes/3 No votes

Motion passes.

7. 2019 Rule Proposal Review:

P. 82- rule 12.9.1 and 12.9.6 Accept and made language stronger. **No objection.** See attached sheet.

P. 65- rule 10.6.1.5 Reject the turn out and release deadlines are too close to rodeo start to successfully implement. Use current tools NSD, NSP, etc. **No objection.** See attached sheet.

P. 72- rules 11.1 & 11.1.2 Reject addition to current language. **No objection.** See attached sheet.

P. 87 & 89- rules Regarding eyes, at this time, it is being referred to Competition Committee and they are to work on a possible solution. Regarding 1/1000th proposal, it is to come back at the next meeting. **Most Directors are in favor.** Regarding 13.3.1 Reject as there are too many implementation issues at this time. No objection. Regarding 13.2.1.1 bring this back to the Board at the next meeting. **No objection.** See attached sheet.

New proposal about Open Meetings. Rejected. 8 No votes/3 Yes votes/1 Abstaining. **Did not pass.** See attached sheet.

New proposal about limited entry rodeos and approving them. Rejected. Directors agreed to identify those limited Entry rodeos where a qualifier dialog could begin. **No objection.** See attached sheet.

P. 22 rule 4.1.3, P. 22 rule 4.1.3.1, P. 139 rule 1.2.7.7, P. 142 rule 1.3.7.7, P. 144 rule 1.4.7.6, P.146 rule 1.5.7.6, P. 146 rule 1.6.1, P. 149 rule 1.7.7.6, P. 150 rule 1.8. Modify. We are keeping the Futurity/Derby program, we are keeping the side pot methodology, we are keeping the Futurity/Derby classes at the World Finals. The Futurity/Derby Directorship position will be eliminated. Circuit Directors will approve the events. Approved.

Meeting adjourned.