



WPRA Board Minutes August 16, 2023

Board Meeting Minutes 8/16/23

Mtg Start: 4:00 PM MT

Mtg End: 7:28 PM MT

Directors In Attendance: J. Munroe, H. Schmidt, C. Gillespie, L. Ferguson, J. Duhon, C. Johnson, M. Potter, S. Robbins, D. McPherson, N. Bice, R. Robinson (partially), L. Smith, B. Miller (partially), C. Braudrick, J. Herman

Directors Not In Attendance:

Others: D. Eismeier, KC Cox, H. Miller, E. Kramme, J. Cropper

WPRA President J. Munroe calls the meeting to order.

Topic #1: Member Major Rule Violation Hearing: Member is alleged to have violated rules 9.3.3, 9.3.6, 9.3.7 and 9.3.14. Relates to member or member's family who, recklessly, knowingly or willfully causes trouble.....excessive complaining, causing disturbances....., attempting to.....harass judge or other officials, ...making detrimental statements.....involved in an act.....inconsistent with the best interests of the WPRA...

- Hearing with member and her witnesses.

Lengthy discussion.

- Board concludes it wants to hear from the additional parties who could not attend today.
- Board defers a decision today and will reconvene on this topic at their next meeting.

Topic #2: Completion of 2023 Rule Proposals: Final rule proposals reviewed with the Board by the Rules Committee.

See attached spreadsheet.

Motion by WPRA Vice President Heidi Schmidt: I move to accept the recommendations and make adjustments where indicated on the spreadsheet as directed by the Board.

2nd by Great Lakes Circuit Director Melora Potter

13 Yes votes: C. Gillespie, L. Ferguson, J. Duhon, C. Johnson, S. Robbins, D. McPherson, N. Bice, L. Smith, B. Miller, J. Herman, C. Braudrick (Motion- H. Schmidt & 2nd – M. Potter)

0 No votes.

Motion passes.

Topic # 3: Western Regional Event: Request to reconsider allowing the WRE to count toward 2024 World Standing & as a rodeo count.

Motion by California Circuit Director Sheena Robbins: I move that the Board allow the WRE winnings to count toward the 2024 World Standings & rodeo count.

2nd by Wilderness Circuit Director Julie Herman.

10 Yes votes: H. Schmidt, L. Ferguson, J. Duhon, C. Johnson, M. Potter, N. Bice, L. Smith, C. Braudrick (Motion – S. Robbins & 2nd – J. Herman)



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2 No votes: C. Gillespie, D. McPherson

Motion passes.

Topic #4: By A Nose Project Update (new timer initiative): WPRA Vice President Heidi Schmidt provided the following update:

- Test at a South Dakota rodeo went very well.
- Inventory expected for distribution in mid September.
- Will work with legal to create a formal agreement.

Follow up topic for next meeting: continuation of the major rule violation hearing.

Meeting adjourned at 7:28 PM MT.