

WPRA Board Meeting Minutes
WNFR- Las Vegas
12/7/2018
8:00 Am-3:00 PM PT

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

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

2. Agenda Review: WPRA President, Doreen Wintermute recaps the agenda for the day.

3. Review of San Antonio Ground Rules (GR): WPRA President provided a verbal overview. All the same as the 2018 GRs in which the PRCA has approved a 2% hold out versus the standard 6%. GR will be sent out for an online approval.

4. Review of Houston Ground Rules (GR): WPRA President provided a verbal overview. All the same as the prior year. Specifically, in the qualifications, it appears that they will only request one (1) Committee pick. We understand that the PRCA has agreed to the same GRs. GR will be sent out for an online approval.

5. Canadian Pro Rodeo Association (CPRA) 2019 Agreement: WPRA President verbally provided an overview. The terms generally are the same as the prior years' agreements. A new section has been added regarding the new "Maple Leaf" circuit and how it relates to the RNCFR. The agreement does not include any language about US or Canadian Circuit selection. There was a brief Board discussion regarding what we do understand about the following: 1) based on a prior discussion with CPRA, a CPRA/WPRA member, who is a resident of Canada, may select a US circuit and declare it as a "non-resident" and 2) but for the first year only of the new Maple Leaf circuit, a WPRA/CPRA member, who is a US resident, may not select the Maple Leaf circuit. It was agreed to go back to CPRA and confirm this understanding. The Agreement will be sent out for an online vote.

6. Review of 2019 WPRA Tour program: WPRA President verbally covered that the 2019 program will not include any Canadian rodeos. The Board discussed their desire to keep adding the WPRA Tour as part of qualifications for all Limited Entry Rodeos (LER). The Board concluded to keep the ceiling limit for WPRA Tour rodeos at \$5,000 or less in added money.

7. Review of Proposals for 2019 Member Accident Insurance: Presentations made by Western Specialty Insurers (WSI) and Specialty Program Insurers (SPI). In addition to these specific presentations the Board asked both presenters about other insurance policies, i.e. General Liability, D & O, Property, etc.

Motion by Great Lakes Director, Margo Ransom: I move that the Board have the Business Committee follow up on answers to any questions raised this morning regarding insurance and that the Business Committee should make the final decision regarding which proposal to accept.

2nd by Wilderness Director Julie Herman

15 Yes votes/0 No votes

Motion passes.

8. Review of audit findings for questioned Southeastern Circuit Jackpot Results & Possible Alleged Major Rule Violation: WPRA Chief Operating Officer, Janet Cropper reported the response to the audit request. In addition, the Board discussed whether they would proceed with the alleged Major Rule Violation.

Motion by Great Lakes Director, Margo Ransom: I move that the Board not include the winnings from the 4 rodeos in question for either the Junior World Standings or the Southeaster Junior Circuit Standings.

2nd by Wilderness Director Julie Herman

15 Yes votes/0 No votes

Motion passes.

Motion by Great Lakes Director, Margo Ransom: I move that the Board not pursue a Major Rule Violation regarding this matter.

2nd by Wilderness Director, Julie Herman

12 Yes votes/3 No votes

Motion passes.

Motion by Great Lakes Director, Margo Ransom: I move that the WPRA not approve any DC jackpots, side pots or events associated with the producer whose four (4) events were under review on a go forward basis.

2nd by Wilderness Director, Julie Herman

15 Yes votes/0 No votes

Motion passes.

9. Review of WPRA President 7 Month Performance Report: Executive Session.

10. Input for January WPRA/PRCA Meeting: Executive Session.

11. Miscellaneous Topics: Have the WPRA President add Stock Contractors to the list of areas where to focus and add how to improve overall association communications flow with the membership. They also expressed the desire to have one (1) full day dedicated to Strategic Planning at the Spring Board meeting. Lastly they requested a communication to the membership explaining the Nomination process.

12. Review of the Grand Island Rodeo Format/Added Money Options: Prairie Director, Cindy Gillespie, verbally reviewed the Committee's options. She explained that she would like to seek member input before making a decision. If member feedback is to run for less Added Money than cowboys, she will bring the topic back to the Board.

Meeting adjourned.