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WPRA Monthly Board Meeting Minutes 9/21/2022 Meeting Start: 4:00 PM MT Meeting End: 6:17 PM MT

In attendance: Jimmie Munroe, Heidi Schmidt, Kaylee Gallino, Lacy Wilson, Rainy Robinson, Dillon McPherson, Katie Pascoe, Cindy Gillespie, Julie Herman, Lynn Smith, Melora Potter, Carla Beckett, Lois Ferguson, Dana Eismeier and Janet Cropper.

Not in attendance: Bricklee Miller

WPRA President Jimmie Munroe calls the meeting to order.

1). 2022 NFR Update

This week the NFRC approved the 2022 NFR Ground Rules. The office just received them. The office will review before sending to the Board for their approval.

2). Next Batch of Rule Proposal Recommendations

Five (5) areas of recommendations were reviewed with decisions made.

Proposal 1-Rule 10.1.3.1: Additional language being added to acknowledge the introduction and implementation of a new limited entry rodeo policy over the next two (2) years starting in 2023. The additional language being added is "Complying with the limited entry rodeo policy adopted by the Board is an exception to this requirement."

Motion by WPRA Vice President Heidi Schmidt: I move to accept the recommended additional language being added to rule 10.1.3.1

2nd by Montana Circuit Director Dillon McPherson

Yes votes: H. Schmidt, D. McPherson, K. Gallino (p), L. Smith, K. Pascoe, C. Gillespie, C. Beckett, R. Robinson, M. Potter, L. Ferguson.

No Votes: 0

10 Yes votes/0 No votes — **Motion passes.**

Proposal 2- Rules 3.1.1, 3.1.2, 3.2.1, 3.2.2, 3.2.3, 3.3.1,3.3.2, 3.3.2.1, 3.4.1, 3.4.2 and 3.4.9: These are being modified to allow for both electronic and hard copy nomination and election balloting during the 2023 winter election cycle.

Motion by Texas Circuit Director Lois Ferguson: I move to accept the recommended changes to rules: 3.1.1, 3.1.2, 3.2.1, 3.2.2, 3.2.3, 3.3.1, 3.3.2, 3.3.2.1, 3.4.1, 3.4.2 and 3.4.9 to allow for both electronic and hard copy balloting in 2023.

2nd by Prairie Circuit Director Cindy Gillespie

Yes votes: L. Ferguson, C. Gillespie, H. Schmidt, L. Smith, K. Pascoe, C. Beckett, R. Robinson, D. McPherson, M. Potter, J. Herman

No votes: 0

Abstaining: 1- K. Gallino (p)

10 Yes votes/0 No votes/1 Abstaining — **Motion passes.**

Proposal 3- Rules 4.1.2.1, 4.1.3, 4.1.3.1, 4.1.3.2, 4.1.3.3, 4.1.4, 4.1.6, 4.1.7, 4.3.2.1 and 4.3.2.7: These are being modified to delete unnecessary Business Director references.

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Motion by Wilderness Circuit Director Julie Herman: I move to accept the recommended changes to rules 4.1.2.1, 4.1.3, 4.1.3.1, 4.1.3.2, 4.1.3.3, 4.1.4, 4.1.6, 4.1.7, 4.3.2.1 and 4.3.2.7 to delete unnecessary Business Director references.

2nd by Roping Director Lynn Smith

Yes votes: J. Herman, L. Smith, H. Schmidt, K. Pascoe, C. Gillespie, C. Beckett, R. Robinson, D. McPherson, M. Potter, L.

Ferguson **No votes:** 0

Abstaining: K. Gallino (p), L. Wilson (P)

10 Yes votes/0 No votes/2 Abstaining — **Motion passes.**

Proposal 4 — **Rule 3.4.6:** Discussion whether a 3-year time frame should be added back to this rule regarding switching the roping director designation.

After a discussion, no motion made, and the topic was tabled.

Proposal Rule 1.3.6.4: Discussion regarding whether the rule was necessary.

Motion by WPRA Vice President Heidi Schmidt: I move that rule 1.3.6.4 be removed from the rule book as it is not necessary

2nd by Wilderness Circuit Director Julie Herman

Yes votes: H. Schmidt, J. Herman, K. Gallino, L. Smith, K. Pascoe, C. Gillespie, C. Beckett (p), R, Robinson, D. McPherson, M. Potter, L. Ferguson, L. Wilson

No votes: 0

12 Yes votes/0 No votes — **Motion passes.**

3). 2022 NFR Playoff Series Finale Concerns

Highlights of member feedback was provided by the California Circuit Director. She will follow up and give the Board a more detailed write up to review. It is her request that the WPRA talk with PRCA about how to make the 2023 competitive experience better for WPRA members and their horses.

4). Breakaway Roping — Board Representation

The Board had a discussion about how to better represent the Breakaway ropers both in the short and long term. After a discussion, they concluded the previously created Reorganization Committee should meet next week and come back to the next Board meeting with 1 or 2 solid options for Board consideration.

5). Breakaway Roping — Equal Money Strategy Discussion

This will be added to the next meeting agenda.

6). Miscellaneous

Turquoise Circuit Director Lacy Wilson would like the Board to revisit the topic of allowing active college members who fill their permits be allowed to stay on a permit (and not upgrade to a card) until they ready to declare their rookie year.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:17 PM