

SD 4-H Rodeo Lay Board

October 26, 2019

Ft. Pierre, SD

President Treg Cowan called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken. Present rodeos were Dewey Co., Southwest SD, Meade Co, Burke, Pennington, Hyde-Hand, Harding Co, Eastern Dakota, Haakon/Jackson, Butte, Ziebach, Brule, Heartland, Blunt, Mellette, Clark, New Underwood, Central SD, Sioux Empire and State Finals.

Motion was made by Donny Bergeson to dispense and approve the Secretary report from 2018. Second made by Kasey Hanson. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Treg Cowan asked for any old business to be discussed. With nothing being reported, we moved to new business.

New Business:

Each rodeo was asked for their 2020 rodeo dates. Dewey – May 31, Southwest SD – June 21, Meade ?, Burke June 26 & 27, Pennington – May 30, Perkins – ?, Hyde-Hand June 28, Harding July 11?, Hub Area ?, Bennett - July 11, Eastern Dakota - July 11 & 12, Haakon/Jackson – July 12, Butte July 12, Ziebach July 11 & 12, Tripp July 17, Brule July 18, South Central July 19, Heartland - July 18 & 19, Blunt July 18 & 19, Mellette/Jones July 10?, Clark July 25 & 26, New Underwood - July 25 & 26, Central SD - Aug 1 & 2, State Finals - Aug 14, 15 & 16.

Treg asked for consideration of the proposed rule changes.

Proposed Change

Addition of Junior Boys Bareback Steer Riding as a Regional Rodeo Event as well as a State Finals Event. This would be a Six (6) Second Event with safety equipment and a bareback rigging required.

Addition of Junior Girls Flag Race as a Regional Rodeo Event as well as a State Finals Event. This would have the same rules as the Junior Boys Flag Race Event.

We propose that we add the two events for the Junior Division. The change would allow the Junior Boys Division to experience an additional rough stock event while allowing the Junior Girls Division an equal number of events.

Heartland 4-H Rodeo Committee

Discussion was held regarding adding these two events. By a show of hands of authorized voting members, proposed rule change passed.

PROPOSED RULES CHANGE

Proposed Change:

- Replace Flag Race Event with Bareback Steer Riding as a Regional Rodeo Event as well as a State Finals Event.
- Bareback Steer Riding would be a six second event. Safety equipment would be required, including, mouth piece, helmet and vest.
- Bareback Riggin will be required.

Rough Stock in South Dakota has been declining over the past several years. The Flag Race Event does not prepare youth for any other rodeo events. The change would allow the junior division to experience and hopefully encourage rough stock events on the senior level. Similar to bull riding.

Tyson Paxton

Treg Cowan called for vote on proposed rule change. Change failed to pass.

Proposed Rule Addition

(addition in BOLD)

AMBASSADOR CONTEST SUGGESTED GUIDELINES

Each approved county 4-H rodeo is encouraged to have both a Junior and Senior ambassador contest.

To be eligible to enter the Ambassador contest at the regional rodeo level, each contestant must also enter at least one other rodeo event at the same rodeo in which they enter the Ambassador contest.

The State 4-H Finals Ambassador Contest will be open to Senior Ambassador candidates only.

Each State 4-H Finals Ambassador Contestant candidate shall submit a 5" x 7" picture and bio to the State 4-H Rodeo Ambassador Committee following qualification at a county – sponsored rodeo.

Page 16 of the 4-H Rodeo Rules and Regulations

Submitted by Kathy Monnens

Treg called for vote on proposed rule change. Rule change passed.

PROPOSED RULES CHANGE

Update the current safety equipment rule to follow the High School Rule Book.

- Include helmets as mandatory equipment for both Jr Cattle Riding and Sr. Bull Riding.

Discussion was held. Treg called for vote. Rule change passed.

Proposed Ambulance Rule for Rule Book:

It is required by the SD 4H Finals Board that an ambulance be on grounds at all SD 4H Regional and State Finals Rodeos. The ambulance must have an AED on board, along with first aid equipment and necessary equipment to maintain an emergency airway if situation arises. The ambulance must be manned by qualified EMT's.

In the event the ambulance garage is within 2 blocks of the rodeo grounds or the nearest hospital is within several blocks of the rodeo grounds/arena, then it is acceptable for EMT's to have a UTV vehicle with backboard, AED and airway supplies. But at all times, qualified EMT's and equipment need to be present.

In the event the Ambulance or EMT's leave the ground, the rodeo will halt until they return or another Ambulance replaces.

Discussion was held on the wording of the proposed rule change. Jeremy Stevens, Burke, made motion that the Lay Board Directors reword and rule change to pass. Cheryl Severson, Clark, 2nd the motion. Motion passed with rewording by Lay Board directors.

Summary

Propose to allow proxy voting for regional rodeo representatives that cannot attend annual meeting.

Overview

Currently only voting is allowed if members are in attendance to the annual meeting. The proposal would allow proxy voting if regional rodeo representatives are unable to attend. This would facilitate increased votes and additional input from all rodeos statewide.

Discussion was held. Treg called for vote, rule change failed.

Summary

Propose to move SD 4H Rodeo Finals to the 2nd week of August in year 2020.

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In some calendar years; High School Sports conflicts with 4H Rodeo Finals. This happens even as efforts have been made to try and accommodate both. Contestants are forced to choose between rodeo and sports. This proposal would eliminate anyone having to make this choice regardless of how the calendar falls or sports schedules.

Discussion was held regarding proposed rule change. Rule change failed.

Summary

Propose to start SD 4H Rodeo Finals on Saturday as opposed to Friday starting in year 2020.

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Proposed Schedule

Saturday

10:00 am Ambassador Horsemanship

1:00 Ambassador Luncheon/Casey Tibbs Center

1:00-3:30 Contestant Registration/Stanley Co. Fairgrounds

4:00 Mandatory Contestant Meeting

5:00 First Rodeo Performance

Sunday

8:00 am Contestant Registration and Cowboy Church

9:00 am Second Rodeo Performance

2:00 pm Scholarship Interviews

2:30-4:00 Special Needs Rodeo

4:00 pm Crowning of Ambassador

5:00 Third Rodeo Performance

9:30 pm Contestant Dance

Monday

10:00 am Scholarship Presentation and Awards Fourth Rodeo Performance

Contestant & Family BBQ following the Final Performance

Discussion was held regarding proposed rule change. Mary Williams Pennington Co. made motion to amend the start year to 2021. Scott Healy, Sioux Empire 2nd motion. Bubby Ridings, Sioux Empire proposed rule change be voted on at the January 11, 2020. Jada Kraft, Dewey Co. 2nd motion. This rule change will now be presented with amendment to be voted on at January meeting.

Proposed change to SD 4-H Rodeo Policy and Procedures:

Currently reads:

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3. DRAWING POSITIONS Positions must be drawn randomly in all events. Positions may be computer drawn. There will be no Set Performances except for 4-H Livestock Showing.

Proposed change:

3. DRAWING POSITIONS Positions must be drawn randomly in all events. Positions may be computer drawn. Once posted, the random draw can be altered with the Trade out rule. A contestant wishing to change their set performance can find a contestant in the same event who is in the opposite performance and request their draw spots to be switched. For examples, John Doe in Sr. Calf Roping on Friday night and Sunday morning, can trade with Jake Doe in Sr. Calf Roping on Saturday am and Saturday pm. Requests to trade must be emailed to secretary within 24 hours of the draw being posted. Both contestants must email secretary their permission before draw will be changed. A change will only be allowed if there is a trade able to be made. In the event a contestant cannot find someone to trade performances with or both contestants wanting a trade do not meet the time deadline which is exactly 24 hours, then no trade will be made and the Contestant will keep their original draw. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Discussion was held regarding the trade out rule. Treg called for vote of proposed rule change. Rule change passed by 2 votes.

2019 South Dakota 4-H Rodeo Rule Change Proposal:

Regional 4-H Rodeos must offer Dally Team Roping for the Junior Division (Age 8-13, as of January 1) during the 2020 4-H Rodeo Season

Open to both Boys and Girls and the same following rules as the senior division would apply:

Dally Team Roping (45-second time limit)

Contest will start from behind a barrier. A 10-second penalty will be assessed for breaking the barrier. The steer belongs to the roper after he crosses deadline, regardless of what happens, with one exception: if the steer gets out of the arena, a flag will be dropped and the roper gets the steer back lap and tap with the time added that was taken when the steer left the arena. The team roper behind the barrier must throw the first loop at the head.

The animal belongs to the contestant when he calls for him, regardless of what happens, except in the case of a mechanical failure.

Each contestant will be allowed to carry just one rope. Each team is allowed three throws in all. Roping steers without turning loose of the loop will be considered no catch. The roper must dally to stop the steer. No tied ropes are allowed.

Time will be taken when the steer is roped and both horses are facing the steer in line with ropes dallied and tight. The steer must be standing up when roped by head or heels.

All changes in lists of roping order to split horses and so on must be made before any stock for that event is loaded in chutes. After the stock is loaded a roper must rope in the order listed.

A steer must not be handled roughly at any time, and ropers may be disqualified if, in the opinion of the field judge, they have done so intentionally.

A broken rope, dropped rope, or dismounting will be considered no time, regardless of whether time has been taken or not.

If steer is roped by one horn, a roper is not allowed to ride up and put a rope over the other horn or head with his hand.

If the heeler ropes a front foot or feet in the heel loop, this is a foul catch. Neither contestant may remove the front foot or feet from the loop by hand. However, should the front foot or feet come out of the heel loop by the time the field judge drops his flag, time will be counted.

In case the field judge flags out a team that legally has one or more loops coming, the judge may give the same steer back lap and tap, and a 5-second penalty will be assessed for each loop already thrown.

There shall be two timers, a barrier judge, and a field judge, time to be taken between two flags. Arena conditions will determine score, and length of score is set by the arena director and time event director or spokesman, if present.

Animals used for this event should be inspected and objectionable one eliminated.

Neck ropes must be tied with string. No metal snaps or hardware shall be used on neck ropes in the timed events. An adjustable slide shall be used on all neck ropes for cattle used in the timed events.

Legal Catches:

There will only be three legal head catches.

- 1) Head or both horns.
- 2) Half a head.
- 3) Around the neck.

If the hondo passes over one horn and the loop over the other, the catch is illegal.

Any heel catch behind both shoulders is legal if the rope goes up the heels.

One hind foot receives a 5-second fine.

If the loop crosses itself in a head catch, it is illegal.

This does not include heel catches.

A dally team roper can only enter once. He or she must qualify in team roping at an approved 4-H rodeo to enter the State Finals Contest. He or she may pick a partner who has qualified.

The new partner must use this as one of his or her events. The points must be doubled and divided 50-50 between header and heeler. There shall be a 45-second time limit.

Discussion was held and Will Haugen presented several pro and con statements regarding adding this event. Treg called for vote on proposed rule change. Passed.

Election of 2020 Lay Board Officers

Jeremy Stevens nominated Treg Cowan for President. Kenny Hoffman second the nomination. Treg Cowan was voted in as President.

Tyson Paxton nominated Donny Bergeson as Vice President, Dean Moncur second the nomination. Donny Bergeson was voted in as Vice President.

Teri Henniger nominated Kathy Monnens as secretary, Donny Bergeson second. Kathy was voted in as secretary.

Tyson Paxton nominated Dean Moncur as Director at Large. Tom Heitsch second. Dean was voted in as Director at Large.

Tyson Paxton as President of the SD Finals board will serve as the other director.

Treg Cowan brought up some concerns with team roping He clarified that at a regional rodeo a contestant can only be entered into the team roping 1 time. (Cannot head on one run and heel on another or head/heel for two different headers/healers.)

He also brought up stock draw and the need for contestants to be sure to verify that the correct draw animal is used in their run.

It was also brought up, especially for rodeos held early in the year, to be sure to verify contestants that enter are listed on the Eligibility List. If they do not appear, contact the state secretary to verify eligibility before entering them into the rodeo. If they are not on the Eligible List they will not be allowed to rodeo.

John Keimig also brought up insurance issues. If a contestant is injured at a regional rodeo, he urged rodeos committees to be sure to get a statement completed with details at the time. Don't wait and try to recall what took place.

Kasey Hanson made motion for meeting to adjourn, Jada Kraft second the motion. Motion carried.

The next Lay Board meeting will be held January 11, 2020 with the annual meeting to be held on October 31, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Monnens
Secretary

BAREBACK STEER RIDING

I. General Rules:

1. Contestant is not to use sharp spurs.
2. Contestant will have the right to call judges to pass on whether or not animal is properly flanked to

buck the best of his ability.

3. Fall – If chest or brisket, belly, side or rump contacts the ground animal will be considered fallen. Knee is not considered fallen.
4. No contestant will ride two head in the same event during a performance except for re-rides.
5. Contestants may pull riggings from either side.
6. Contestant must compete on stock drawn for them. In the event of a mistake, stock drawn for must be run during that performance and only that time or score taken.
7. Steers or heifers weighing 600 – 900 lbs. should be used for this event. Horns must be tipped to at least the size of a half dollar. Bulls are not to be used.

II. Time Limit:

1. Animal must be ridden for 6 seconds.
2. Time to start when the animal's inside front shoulder passes the plane of the chute.

III. Event Rules:

1. This event is open to boys only.
2. To qualify, the rider must have spurs over the break of the shoulders and touching animal when animal's front feet hit the ground on its initial move out of the chute.
3. Contestants will have the right to call judges to pass on whether or not animal is properly flanked and cinched.
4. Rigging must lie flat on animal's back while rigging is being cinched.
5. Stock contractor may call on judge to pass on whether rigging is being set or cinched in a manner that might hurt animal's back.
6. Judges may require contestant to take his hand out of rigging after a animal is cinched. If handhold is too tight, rigging will be declared illegal. Stock contractor may request to take such action.
7. One arm must be free at all times.
8. The judge on the latch side of the chute gate shall serve as a back-up timer in the bareback riding event or a person assigned by the Arena Director may serve as the back-up timer. The judge's stopwatch reading shall be used as a means of verification when the length of the qualified ride is in question. The judge shall stop his watch when, in his opinion, the contestant has been disqualified for any reason, or when he hears the whistle or horn, whichever comes first. In either instance, the judge will refer to his watch for a time verification on each ride. In any instance where the time is six seconds or more on the judge's watch, the contestant shall be entitled to a marking without penalty. In the instance the whistle blows before the six seconds, the judge must go with the whistle.

IV. Scoring and Penalties:

1. Ride and animal to be marked separately.
2. Mark the ride according to how much the contestant spurs the animal.
3. Figures used in making the riding events shall range from 1 to 25 on both bucking animal and contestant and use the full spread.
4. If a animal stalls coming out of the chute, either judge may tell contestant to take his feet out of the animal's neck and first jump qualification will then be waived.
5. Contestant shall receive no score for not following judges' instructions to take feet from neck of animal stalled in chute.

6. If the rigging comes off animal, touching anything with free hand or if contestant is bucked off, contestant will receive a no score.
7. In the opinion of the judges, if a contestant is riding with rowels too sharp or riding with locked rowels, he will receive a no score.
8. Contestant will be disqualified for taking any kind of finger tuck, or finger wrap.
9. Judges may disqualify contestant who has been advised he is next to go if he is not above the animal with his glove on when previous animal leaves the arena.

V. Re-rides:

1. The matter of re-rides shall be decided by the judges.
2. Contestants shall not influence the judges by asking for a re-ride at any time.
3. If re-ride is given, judge shall inform the contestant immediately of his marking and an option of a re-ride.
4. Contestant may refuse re-ride and take his marking.
5. Contestant must make his decision immediately.
6. No re-ride will be given due to faulty or broken equipment furnished by contestant in any event.
7. If an animal that is drawn for a re-ride is already drawn for another contestant in the same go-round, the contestant with the animal drawn will take it before the man who draws the animal for a re-ride.
8. If animal that is drawn for a re-ride is already drawn for another contestant in a later go-round, the contestant with the re-ride in the prior go-round will take the animal first.
9. When a final head is to be ridden in the riding events, at least two additional head of stock will be available for re-rides.
10. Re-rides may be given only when stock fails to break, stops, or fouls the rider.
11. If, in the opinion of the judges, a rider makes two honest efforts to get out on a chute-fighting animal and is unable to do so, he may have a re-ride drawn for.
12. Contestants who are fouled at chute and declare will be entitled to re-ride at judge's discretion, or the spurring out rule may be waived.
13. If animal falls down out of chute, contestant will be entitled to a re-ride at the discretion of the judges.
14. If animal loses flank, fails to break, stops, or fouls rider, rider may take same animal back, providing stock contractor is willing, or he may have re-ride drawn.
15. If an animal that runs off is already drawn for another contestant, that contestant must take the animal already drawn.
16. If that is the second consecutive time the animal has run off, he must be taken out of the draw and an animal drawn for the contestant out of the re-rides.
17. If the pickup man or horse comes in contact with bucking animal before qualified time has elapsed, re-ride will be given on same animal drawn. Only exception to this rule is if it is that rodeo's last day. The last day, contestant may have same animal back if stock contractor is willing, or re-ride drawn if requested. If stock contractor is not willing, re-ride will be drawn.
18. A contestant will have the option of a re-ride if the flank comes off the animal and the contestant has completed a qualified ride up to the point of the flank coming off.

VI. Equipment

1. Riding to be done with one-handed rigging and contestant must supply own rigging.
2. Rigging shall be leather and shall not be more than ten (10) inches in width at the handhold and not over six (6) inches wide at the "D" ring. Latigo cannot be blocked in the "D" ring. Riggings will use a

standard "D" ring to be set to sit flat on horses back when cinched. No freaks will be allowed. Only rawhide may be used under the body of the hand-hold. There will be no rawhide restrictions with the exception of no rawhide may be within one (1) inch of the back of the rigging body excluding the "D" ring wrap which may be no more than two (2) inches up from the bottom of the body. The rigging body must also be spread nine (9) inches apart at the back of the rigging four (4) inches down from the center. The handle bars under the rigging body must be tapered down to at least one-fourth (1/4) inch at the end of the handle bar.

3. Rider may have a single layer of leather under handhold which will extend at least one inch on both sides of the center of the handhold not to be skived and shall be glued down.
4. No metal will be allowed in riggings or hand-holds, resin handle bareback rigging to be used in the Junior High Steer riding events only. Only leather or rawhide is allowed for hand-hold, with a maximum of three-fourths (3/4) inch of rawhide allowed. Flat-head rivets and/or screws and "t" nuts are allowed to secure hand-hold. The only other metal allowed will be in the "D" rings.
5. Quick release buckle is optional on bareback rigging.
6. Cinches on bareback riggings shall be made of mohair or neoprene and shall be at least five (5") inches in width at the center but may be tapered to accommodate cinch "D" or rings with no knots, tongues or pins tied or taped back. Latigos may be of leather or nylon.
7. Required bareback pads are to completely cover the underside of the riggings and are to extend a full two inches behind the rigging.
8. Pads used under riggings must be leather covered on both sides. No hair pads will be allowed. If a foam pad is used, it must be high density foam at least 3/4 of an inch thick. In addition, the pad must have leather over the bars one-eighth (1/8) inch thick extending at least one-half (1/2) inch on either side or the back of the handle bars.
9. In addition to the pad, a piece of leather a minimum of 1/8 inch thick and 4" square must be glued or sewed to the pad and centered in comparison to the total body length of the rigging. This piece of leather shall be placed so that 1/2 of it extends behind the rigging and the remaining 2" is under the rigging.
10. The rider's glove will be a plain glove with no flaps, rolls, wedges or gimmicks. An extra piece of leather may be used at the base of the little finger only. It must be on the inside of the glove and is not to extend out from the seam more than 5/8 inch and can be no more than 5/8 inch thick. On the outside of the glove, there are to be no horizontal cuts from the second knuckle back. On the inside (palm side), only vertical cuts or slits allowed on fingers only.
11. A palm piece may be used in glove which will be at least once inch wide and three inches long and will be glued in.
12. There will be no adhesive material other than dry resin used on rigging or on rider's glove. Benzoin may be used.
13. Stock contractors will have the right to have judges pass on whether riggings are objectionable. Judges are to decide on all riggings and pads.
14. All contestants must wear helmets approved for rodeo events.
15. All contestants must wear an Athletic Protective Mouth Piece while contesting. Mouth piece may not be trimmed any smaller than the size required to cover all teeth.
16. All contestants must wear a vest designed to protect the chest and back while contesting in the Bareback Riding Event. The vest shall be one manufactured for rodeo/equestrian events and sold by retailers.
17. No locked rowels or rowels that will lock on spurs or sharpened spurs may be used on animals. Spur rowels must have five or more points