

SD 4-H Rodeo Lay Board

October 23, 2021

Ft. Pierre, SD

Donny Bergeson, VP, in the absence of Treg Cowan, Pres, called the meeting to order. Roll Call was taken. The following rodeos were present, Bennett Co, Blunt #1, Blunt #2, Brule Co, Butte, Central SD #1, Central SD #2, Burke #1, Burke #2, Clark Co #1, Clark Co #2, Dewey Co, Eastern Dak #1, Eastern Dak #2, Glacial Lakes, Heartland #1, Heartland #2, Meade Co, New Underwood #1, New Underwood #2, Pennington, South Central, Sioux Area #1, Sioux Area #2, SW SD, State Finals, Lay Board.

Donny Bergeson asked for the reading and approval of Secretary Minutes of the last meeting. Tyson Paxton made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve. Justin Robertson 2nd the motion. Motion approved.

Donny asked for any Old Business.

With there being none, he asked for 2022 rodeo dates. Bennett Co will be 7/9/22, Blunt 7/23 & 7/24/22, Burke 6/24 & 6/25/22, Brule 7/15 & 7/16/22, Central SD 8/6 & 8/7/22, Clark 7/23 & 7/24/22, Dewey 5/29/22, Eastern Dak 7/9 & 7/10/22, Glacial Lakes 8/7/22, Heartland 7/16 & 7/17/22, Meade 6/24/22, NURC 7/23 & 7/24/22, Sioux Area 6/25 & 6/26/22. Other rodeos were asked to get their date to Kathy Monnens as soon as you have a date set.

Donny then moved into the proposed rule changes. Todd Rose asked that we start with his proposal #2, to move Finals to the 2nd weekend in August. Donny read the proposal. Discussion was held. Roll call vote was taken. 15 votes No and 12 Yes.

PROPOSED RULE CHANGE #2

Propose to move the State 4-H Rodeo Finals to the 2nd weekend of August starting in year 2022.

Proposal Failed.

Donny moved to proposed rule change #1. Discussion was held regarding this proposal. Tyson Paxton made motion to strike this proposal. Mary Kay Sell 2nd the motion. Motion carried.

PROPOSED RULE CHANGE #1

Propose to move SD 4H Rodeo Finals to the 1st weekend of August starting in year 2022. Proposal stricken.

Donny moved to the proposed rule change #7. Jada Kraft made motion to strike this rule change. Will Haugen 2nd. Rule proposal was stricken.

PROPOSED RULE CHANGE #7

Hold Jr. Events on Friday/Sunday and Senior Events on Sat/Sat starting in the year 2022. Proposal stricken.

Donny then moved to rule change #8 & #9. Todd Rose withdrew his proposed rules changes #8 & #9. Donita Forell 2nd the motion. Both rule change proposals #8 & #9 were removed.

PROPOSED RULE CHANGE #8

Allow for slack for Senior Contestants starting in the year 2022. Proposal removed.

PROPOSED RULE CHANGE #9

Allow for uneven performances in Senior Events starting in the year 2022. Proposal removed.

We then moved to Rule Change #3

PROPOSED RULE CHANGE #3

Change qualifying rodeos fee from awards to sanction fee.

Tyson Paxton made motion to change the dollar amount from \$700 to \$500 in both the rule book and the Policy and Procedures. Justin Robertson 2nd the motion. Motion approved. New rule is as follows:

All local State Finals qualifying rodeos will pay a \$500 sanctioning fee to the South Dakota 4-H Finals, Inc. A local rodeo that fails to pay \$500 by October 1 of the same calendar year as their approved rodeo will not be approved for the following year unless both the amount delinquent and the amount for the next year is paid in full by May 1. Non-qualifying rodeos should work within the rules of the South Dakota 4-H Rodeo program and utilize 01-4050-2017, 4-H Rodeo Rules & Regulations, as their rule book. The difference between a State Finals qualifying rodeo and a non-qualifying rodeo is that a non-qualifying rodeo does not qualify contestants for the State Finals and is not required to pay the \$500 sanction fee to the State Finals Rodeo. Non-qualifying rodeos are able to, and are encouraged to participate in all 4-H Rodeo meetings however, non-qualifying rodeos cannot vote.

Donny moved to Rule Change #4 to update the rule book to remove Jr. Bareback Bronc Riding (optional) (6 second ride), found on page 10 of current rule book. Tyson Paxton made motion to remove. Justin Robertson 2nd motion. Motion carried.

PROPOSED RULE CHANGE #4

Removed Jr Bareback Bronc Riding from the rule book.

Rule Change #5 was voted on at the Finals meeting

We moved on to Rule Change #6.

PROPOSED RULE CHANGE #6

Remove Trade Out Rule from the SD 4H Rodeo Policy and Procedures.

Roll call vote was taken. All voted no. Trade Out Rule stays in place.

Donny called for nominations for Director at Large. Kim Larson nominated Joy Meyer. Kathy Monnens 2nd the nomination. Tyson Paxton nominated Bryce Chambless. Justin Robertson 2nd the nomination. Regina Meyer nominated Chad Chauncey, Donita Forrell 2nd the nomination. Kathy Monnens made motion nominations cease. Justin Robertson 2nd. Motion carried. Vote was taken. Joy Meyer received 9 votes, Bryce Chambless received 8 and Chad Chauncey received 3. Joy Meyer was elected Director at Large.

Susan Van Lier made motion that Treg Cowan remain as President, Donny Bergeson as VP, Kathy Monnens as Sec. Donita Forrell 2nd the motion. Motion carried. Justin Robertson will serve as the 5th member of the Board of Directors as Pres. of the state finals.

A question was raised regarding attire of the contestants assistant while in the arena. Discussion was that everyone assisting a contestant must be in western attire while in the arena.

Discussion was held regarding fighting that took place at this years finals. The Lay Board and Finals Board were unaware of the incident until weeks after the event. The party questioning the incident would not name those involved. The Stanley Co Fairgrounds staff will be addressing security at the Finals and asking for local police to assist as needed. It was also discussed that the parents are ultimately responsible for their children and should keep tabs on their children while attending the rodeo.

The members discussed the photos that have been donated by Derald Gross to the rodeo. Derald donated all of the 4H rodeo pictures he took over the years. Thoughts on selling these photos were discussed and where to put the proceeds. Diana Melvin made suggestions as to what the money could be used for. Diana Melvin made a motion to place the funds with the Community Foundation. Bryce Chambless 2nd the motion. Motion carried. It was decided use the funds in time for possible scholarships, rodeo needs, and other options.

Next meeting date – October 29, 2022

Tyson Paxton made motion to adjourn. Mary Kay Sell 2nd. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted

Kathy Monnens, Secretary