

SD 4-H Finals, Inc.  
Minutes of March 18, 2013

The March 18, 2013 Conference Call was called to Order by President Dave Gaer.

**Members Present were:** Dave and Lee Ann Gaer, Treg Cowan, Kathy Monnens, Teri Heninger, Cheri Hill, Vicki Heninger, Rod Geppert, Roger Theobald, Jim Korkow, Sam Seymour, Mike Steiger, Pam and Heather Shoultz, Angela Lytle, Tracy Anderson .

Kathy Monnens made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from February 16, 2013. Angela Lytle seconded it. Motion Passed, Minutes Approved.

**Treasurers Report:** Teri Heninger reported the checking account and money market balance of \$13,123.30. Outstanding balances for year 2012 are Kiwanis Club \$600.00 for working the gate. All scholarships from the 2012 year, \$135.00 for website, \$150.00 for the ARTS Program and the storage unit have been paid. Heather Shoultz made a motion to approve the Treasures Report. Lee Ann Gaer seconded it. Motion Approved.

**New Business:** After much discussion of income and the cost of expenses going up. **Teri Heninger made a motion to raise the gate admission as follows: All weekend pass will go from \$10.00 to \$20.00. A single performance will go from \$5.00 to \$8.00 for ages 9 and up and \$3.00 for ages 8 and under. Seconded by Roger Theobald. All Approved. Motion Carried.** Programs for contestants and families will stay at \$3.00. Vendor fees will also stay the same as last year at a cost of \$150.00 for the weekend or \$100.00 along with a \$50.00 item that is donated to the silent auction for the Finals. Mike Steiger had visited with Brad Lemmel about some available funds through the tourism department in Pierre for advertising costs.

Rod Geppert discussed the new online enrollment. It was set that each extension office must have the hard copy forms from contestants sent to the State Rodeo Secretary by May 3rd. ***Discussion was had on the date of Rodeo Approval Forms being moved up earlier then April 1st so families can start planning their vacations. This will be tabled to the October 2013 Lay Board Meeting.***

Dave Gaer presented the current stock bids received for the 2013 Finals. **Mike Steiger made a motion to accept the current bids. Seconded by Sam Seymour. All In Favor. Motion Carried.** Receiving the stocks bids were as follows: Jim Korkow for \$15,000 providing all rough stock, turn back fence, third arena panels (set up and tear down), bullfighters, pickup men, water tanks, feed and crew for loading all livestock. Steve Sutton will provide all cattle for \$15.00 a run and \$25.00 a run for steer wrestling steers, he also provides a crew of workers, feed, water tanks, and panels. John Hight was awarded the goats at a cost of \$7.00 a run, he also provides a goat holder and runner, pens, feed and water tanks.

Heather Shoultz discussed the back numbers and has Wilbur Ellis and Legend Seeds as sponsors. **Jim Korkow made a motion that Wilbur Ellis and Legend Seeds will sponsor \$4,000.00 each year for back numbers and will have the first right of refusal if costs exceed the donation price. Seconded by Cheri Hill. All In Favor. Motion Carried.**

Angela Lytle reported that saddle costs will be as follows: Roping Saddles \$850.00, Steer Wrestling Saddle \$930.00, Barrel Racing \$800.00, and All Around \$900. There will also be an additional \$40.00 per saddle for shipping. ***Discussion of raising the sponsorship for Regional Rodeos will be tabled to the October, 2013 Annual Board Meeting.***

The Queen committee had asked if the Finals would provide 4 rooms and the catering for the Queen activities as the Ramkota usually donated these items but with the Finals moving a week earlier the motel was booked.

**Teri Heninger made a motion to not pay for the rooms or the catering, as the Finals is struggling to fund the rodeo at this time. Seconded by Mike Steiger. All In Favor. Motion Carried. Jim Korkow has visited with the Casey Tibbs Center and they are willing to donate rooms for the Queen activities at no charge.**

Dave Gaer discussed what he has put together for Joe Connet at Touchstone Energy to review for a potential sponsorship.

Next Meeting will be April 8th, 2013 at 7MT/8CT via conference call.

Sam Seymour made a motion to adjourn meeting. Jim Korkow seconded it. Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lee Ann Gaer  
4-H Finals Secretary