

SD 4-H RODEO FINALS
TELECONFERENCE BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY JANUARY 18, 2022
MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Justin Robertson at 8:05pm CST. The meeting was held via teleconference.

Roll Call: Justin Robertson, Sue Van Liere, John Keimig, Treg Cowan, Kathy Monnens, Tyson Paxton, Helen Jane Paxton and Valerie Kelly.

Secretary's Report: Kathy Monnens's made a motion to dispense the reading of the October 23rd meeting minutes. Second by Treg Cowan. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: There was no treasurer's report available.

Old Business: August 19, 20 and 21, 2022 were confirmed as the dates for the 2022 State 4-H Finals Rodeo to be held in Ft. Pierre, SD at the Stanley Co. Fairgrounds. The Ambassador Horsemanship competition will be held the evening of Thursday Aug. 18th.

Discussion was had regarding some questions with the way the stalling information is posted on the 4-H Rodeo website. There were also questions raised about a facility fee that is going to be charged for use of the fairgrounds and what all that entails. Treg offered to talk to Scott Deal about changes Scott wants made to the stalling reservation process, the facility fee, parking, security and grounds cleanup during the Finals. During the meeting Treg did reach out to Scott who confirmed that the facility fee is going to be \$800 per day. Treg still plans to visit with Scott about stall reservations so that can be updated on the website. He will also get better clarification from Scott on what comes with the \$800 fee. It was reiterated that the Fairgrounds will be locked and there will not be parking on the Fairgrounds until Thursday August 18th. Scott has indicated he plans to have a designated group to help with parking.

The 2022 gate prices will be going up to \$25 for a weekend pass or \$10 per performance. This was voted on at the fall meeting.

Kim Larson had indicated during the fall meeting that she needed her computer and printer updated but due to our budget being rather low right now, she thinks she can get by with what she has.

New Business: John Keimig reported that the 2022 4-H rodeo entry packet has been approved. They will be getting the forms uploaded to the 4-H Extension website and then the packets will be made available on the sd4hrodeo.org in the very near future. The 4-H rodeo packets will be due by May 1st, 2022.

Kathy Monnens provided a current list of rodeos that have given their dates for 2022. Kathy reported that there are still 14 rodeos that have not done this.

Only one saddle bid was received. This was from Triple R Tack. The bid provided indicated the average cost of the saddles was going to be \$1,486.33. This included a ¼ tooled saddle. Treg contacted Pam at Triple R during the meeting. He asked what the cost of each saddle would be for a full rough out saddle. Pam quoted the price of \$1,436.33 per saddle if we went with the all rough out saddle. Discussion was had that it was decided at the fall meeting that the sponsorship amount to sponsor a saddle was going to match the cost of the saddles. There was concern voiced that it may be harder to get saddle sponsors. It was decided that with our budget being what it is, we cannot continue to lose money on saddles. Kathy made a motion to increase the cost of the saddle sponsorship to \$700 for half saddle or \$1400 for a full saddle sponsorship. Helen Jane seconded the motion. Motion passed. Treg will talk to Pam about ordering the saddles.

There were 2 photography bids received. One from Knippling Kustoms and the other from Rodeography, Michelle Maupin Barrett. The two bids were discussed. A motion was made by Kathy Monnens to accept the bid from Knippling Kustoms for the 2022 Finals photographer. Helen Jane seconded the motion. Motion passed.

There were not any bids received for the program. We will work with Teri Heninger on the design/production of the program and let her decide who will do the printing.

The stock bid forms were reviewed and approved. Stock bids are due to Tyson Paxton on March 1st. They will be available on the sd4hrodeo.org website or can be emailed by request. Tyson will talk to the past stock bid committee and set up a meeting to review bids. Last year's committee was Tyson Paxton, Don Bergeson, Casey Heninger, Regina Maier, and Treg Cowan. Once the stock bid committee has made their recommendations, they will give these recommendations to the executive board who will then either approve or disapprove of their recommendations.

Next, was discussion about the cost of the entry fees for the 2022 4-H rodeo Finals. It was agreed that the entry fee probably needs to be raised to help offset the increased cost of prizes. It was discussed that the Final's entry fee has been the same for many years. Motion made by Justin to table discussion regarding the entry fees to the next meeting as we wanted further clarification from Scott Deal about the facility fee. Tyson seconded the motion. Motion carried to table this discussion to the next meeting.

Additional Business: John Keimig from SDSU has recommended that there needs to be more of a safety meeting at the start of the Finals Rodeo and that each region rodeo would benefit by doing this as well. He basically would like the rules meeting be called a "Safety Meeting" where some basic safety issues are discussed. For example, going over the mandatory rough

stock rider gear, a plan for adverse weather conditions or events, and provide locations for people to go in case of a tornado or other severe weather conditions. It was agreed that this could and would be done during the official contestant meeting prior to the start of the Finals rodeo. Again, it is also been recommended by SDSU that each region rodeo have a safety meeting prior to their rodeos as well.

Joining us on the meeting was Valerie Kelly. Valerie and Emily Kiel have agreed to head up the sponsorship committee. Val and Emily will work with Helen and Teri to get the sponsorship letters sent out very soon. They both are excited to be helping and are eager to get started. We are all very appreciative of their help!

2022 Finals Committee Reports:

Rodeo Manager: Tyson Paxton

Rodeo Timers/Judges: Tyson and Justin

Grounds: Donnie Bergeson and Jeremy Cass

Ambulance: Helen Jane will send out the dates and contract to AMR.

BBQ: Regina Maier

Buckles: Kathy Monnens has talked to Tres Rios. They have quoted us \$100 per buckle and will be donating 6 buckles.

Saddles: Teri Heninger

Sponsor Committee: Valerie Kelly and Emily Kiel

Go-Around Prizes: Sue, Teri, Helen Jane

Vendors: Kerry Hostutler

Programs/Printing: Teri

Concessions: Tyson will talk to Stanley Co. Wrestling

Ambassador Committee:

Contestant Dance: Helen Jane has been in contact with Joyce Glynn. Joyce has agreed to sponsor the contestant dance.

Gate/ticket Sales: Sue Van Liere

Grounds clean up/inmate supervision:

Photography: Whitney Knippling—Knippling Kustoms

Contestant Check in: Sue

Awards Ceremony:

Next Meeting: Wednesday March 9, 2022 8pm CST via teleconference

Adjourn: Motion by Tyson to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Treg. Motion passed.