

SD 4-H Finals Meeting Minutes

May 5, 2021

Teleconference

Call to Order: Tyson Paxton called the meeting to order shortly after 8pm CST on May 5th, 2021.

Roll Call: Tyson, Sue Van Liere, Helen Jane Paxton, Kim Larson, John Keimig, Tom Heitsch, Scott Healey, Pauline Witte, Diana Melvin, Todd Rose, Chad Chauncey, Don Bergeson

Secretary's Report: Helen Jane made a motion to dispense the reading of the secretary's report. Pauline Witte seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Helen Jane reported that the current balance is \$66,614.26. At present there has been \$11,000 brought in from sponsorships

Old Business:

- Covid Update: John Keimig gave an update on the current status of SDSU's Covid guidelines. Per John SDSU is going back to yellow mode. John states waivers will not be required at this time. He recommends that the Regional rodeos and the State Finals rodeo should continue to encourage COVID precautions such as: limiting the number of people in small areas, hand sanitizer stations, etc.
- Contestant Entries: Kim Larson reported that she has received 1,374 entries. Of those, 1,281 were correct and no action needed. There were 93 that do require corrections and were sent back.
- Panels: Don Bergeson reported that he has had a couple of bids. It was recommended that a Face Book post be done asking for bids for the panels with the hopes that we would get some additional bids from either local companies or companies that have been long time supporters of 4-H rodeo. Helen Jane agreed to add the post to the SD 4-H Finals Face Book page.
- Expo Center: Helen Jane reported that have the Expo Center reserved for the weekend. We are planning on putting more vendors there and will also use it for the BBQ and Awards Ceremony.
- Special Needs Rodeo: Diana Melvin has made calls to local agencies asking if there residents or individuals would be able to participate this year. It was decided that we would like to have the Special Needs Rodeo if we can get enough participants. We would also like to provide passes to those individuals for one of the rodeo performances. If someone would like to head this up, please let a board member know.

- 50th Anniversary Committee: We have received notice that Runnings is sponsoring buckets and caps for each contestant. The buckets and caps will have the 50th Anniversary Logo on them. Helen has been in contact with CHS to sponsor T-Shirts for each contestant. Sue Van Liere has contacted the Cowboy Channel to see if they would be interested in doing some coverage of the 4-H Finals. Diana Melvin will call some of her contacts with the Cowboy Channel as well to try to encourage them to do a show featuring the 50th 4-H Finals Rodeo. We encourage anyone with ideas or would like to be a part of this to please get in touch with a board member.

New Business:

- Passes for sponsors: It was agreed to give the same amount of passes out to the sponsors as we did last year. The back number sponsor will receive 8 weekend passes, the arena sponsors will receive 6 passes, a full saddle sponsor will receive 4 and a half saddle sponsor will receive 2 passes. Helen Jane will send those out once all these sponsorships are secured.
- Insurance Update: Helen Jane has been in contact with the insurance companies. She will be receiving those quotes.
- Order of events: Tyson, Don Bergeson and Kim Larson will meet to discuss.
- 2021 Schedule of Events:

Thursday, August 19th

6:00 pm Ambassador Horsemanship

Friday, August 20th

12:00 Ambassador Luncheon

1:00-3:30 Contestant Registration

4:00 pm Mandatory Contestant Meeting

5:00 First Rodeo performance

Saturday, August 21st

8:00 am Contestant Registration

9:00 am Second Rodeo Performance

2:00 pm Scholarship Interviews

2:30 Special Needs Rodeo

4:00 Crowning of Ambassador

5:00 pm Third Rodeo Performance

9:30 pm Rodeo Dance

Sunday, August 22nd

8:00 am Cowboy Church

10:00 am Scholarship Awards, Special Recognition Awards

Fourth Rodeo Performance

Arena/Banner Tear down

Contestant & Family BBQ following tear down of arena

2021 4-H Finals Award Ceremony

Rodeo Committee Reports/Updates:

Rodeo Manager: Tyson Paxton

Timers/Judges: Tyson Paxton(Judges) and Teri Heninger(Timers)

Grounds: Don Bergeson and Jeremy Cass—Jeremy Cass has committed to working both arenas.

Ambassador Committee: Pauline Witte reported that on April 5th Addyson and two committee members went to the Pierre and Ft. Pierre hotels asking for room donations. According to Pauline most, but not all, were willing to donate rooms as they have in the past. She also reported they will be inviting all 49 past ambassadors to the Ambassador luncheon to help celebrate the 50th Anniversary.

Saddles: Teri Heninger—All saddles have been ordered

Photography: Knippling Kustoms—No update

Stalls: Tyson-No update

Rodeo Announcers: Tyson will be reaching out to Shaun Maher and Blake Paxton to see if they are available to be the announcers again this year.

Contestant Registration: Sue—No updates

Sponsors/Advertising: Will and Cortney Haugen

Finals Awards Ceremony: We are still looking for someone to be in charge of the awards ceremony. Please notify Sue or Helen if interested.

Buckles: Kathy Monnens

Go Round Prizes: Sue and Helen Jane

Ambulance: AMR contract is in place

BBQ: Regina Maier

Gate Ticket Sales: Sue--- Stanley Co. Girl's Golf Team and possibly the Stanley Co. Boy's BB team.

Concessions: Stanley Co. Wrestling

Dance: Helen Jane

Garbage: Helen Jane will make this contact.

Porta potties: Helen Jane has contacted Wheelhouse Plumbing.

Grandstand Cleaning: Helen Jane will contact SDWP. If they are not able to provide the cleaning services, we will open up for bids.

Additional Business:

Next Meeting:

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