

SD 4H Finals Rodeo, Inc. Committee Meeting

March 7, 2018- Conference Call

Call to Order: President Kasey Hanson called the meeting to order

Roll Call: Kasey Hanson, Shelly Cowan, Teri Heninger, Don Bergeson, Kim Larson, Bruce Kessler, LeeAnn Gaer, Treg Cowan, Pauline Witte, Lorena Hight, Kathy Monnens, Kristine DeBerg, Ken Claussen, Cheryl Severson, Mike Stieger, Roger Theobald, Carrie Bourk, Regina Maier, Jace Melvin, John Keimig, Lorita Crofford

Approval of Secretary Minutes: LeeAnn Gaer asked for a spelling correction to change complete to compete. Teri Heninger made a motion to approve January 6, 2018 minutes with the above correction. Don Bergeson second. Motion Carried.

Treasurer's Report: Checking account balance - \$55,566.45. Recent purchases/expenses include pole bases and box pads. Motion to approve Treasurer's Report by Kathy Monnens, with Don Bergeson second. Motion carried.

Old Business

- Expo Building rental – Kasey Hanson has been in contact with Dennis Booth who represents the Stanley/Hughes County Expo Board to discuss options for renting the Expo Building for the Finals weekend. Motion to table the discussion to the next meeting in April to allow time to gather additional details was made by Cheryl Severson. Ken Claussen second. Motion carried.
- Regional Rodeo Approval Forms – John Keimig reports only 1 Regional Rodeo Approval Form outstanding. This was received 3.8.17- All Regional Rodeo Approval Forms are in for 2018.
- Regional Rodeo Entry Forms -Kathy Monnens – 2018 Regional 4H Rodeo are due to Kathy Monnens by April 1, 2018. Rodeos that have not submitted their 2018 Entry Forms for approval:
Meade County 4-H Rodeo South Eastern SD 4-H Rodeo Hyde-Hand 4-H Rodeo
Mellette County 4-H Rodeo Haakon/Jackson Co. 4-H Rodeo Tripp Co. 4-H Rodeo
Ziebach Co. 4-H Rodeo Heartland 4-H Rodeo South Central SD 4-H Rodeo
Clark Co. 4-H Rodeo Blunt 4-H Rodeo NURC 4-H Rodeo
Central SD 4-H Rodeo Sioux Empire 4-H Rodeo Glacial Lakes 4-H Rodeo
- Review Stock Bids: Bids received included the following-

GOATS	John Hight				
TIMED EVENT	Melvin Timed Event	Lakota Livestock	Sutton Rodeo	Smokin Guns Rodeo	Stoddard/Kozel
ROUGH STOCK	Smokin Guns Rodeo	Stoddard/Kozel	Korkow Rodeos LLC	Lazy 3S Rodeo Co	

Teri Heninger made a motion that a stock committee be appointed to review the stock bids and bring forward recommendations to the board. Motion seconded by Shelly Cowan. Committee appointed: Treg Cowan, Mike Stieger, Sam Sheppick, Roger Theobald, Casey Cowan, Don Bergeson, Regina Maier. Don Bergeson will facilitate the committee and bring the recommendation back to the 4H Finals Rodeo Board before the next scheduled meeting.

- Ambassador Committee: Pauline Witte reported that the 2017 SD 4H Rodeo Ambassador, Carolyn Blatchford, visited Pierre and the Legislature last week representing 4H Rodeo. Pauline shared the efforts the Ambassador Committee is making to get information out to the regional 4H Rodeo Committees to promote the Ambassador Contest. Discussion followed regarding the Ambassador Committee's request to move the Horsemanship contest to Thursday night and the coronation to Friday night for 2018. Following discussion, it was decided that coronation will remain on Sunday in 2018. Decision regarding moving the Horsemanship contest to Thursday night was tabled to the next meeting.
- Finals Rodeo Secretary Report – Kim Larson reported that she has entered 75 complete entries thus far and has 18 with issues she is working to get corrected. The majority of the issues have been with the signatures on the waiver/release of liability page. Kasey Hanson will work with Donna Bittaker (SDSU 4H Extension Program Manager) to see if current form can be edited for remainder of this year on iGrow).
- Pole bases, electric eye, box pads-Kasey Hanson reported the Martha Josey pole bases have been ordered and received. The Touchstone Electric sponsored box pads have been ordered. Plan to go thru the trailer and do an inventory of equipment sometime in April and will then decide what needs to be ordered from Farmtek as far as electric eyes and LED display boards. Farmtek has confirmed that the printer paper and printers we currently use are no longer available and that they have moved to computer connected print outs.

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New Business

- Back numbers – Shelly reported that Croplan Ag has offered to sponsor the back numbers and their sponsorship has been received. If any other business or group is interested in becoming a back number sponsor that option is available until we go to print.
Bruce Kessler checked with PrynComm of Pierre on cost to print back numbers. They estimated \$1577.80 for 2,500 back numbers (2 per contestant) and it would take 2 weeks to get them once they are ordered.
- Touchstone Sponsorship- Kasey Hanson reported Touchstone/Rushmore Electric has agreed to a 6 year sponsorship agreement with the SD 4H Finals Rodeo. The agreement is for \$2,500 in 2018 and \$750/year from 2019 thru 2024. The terms of the agreement include the Touchstone logo on box pads and barrel covers, a banner to display in the arena as well as yearly ad space in the program. The contact person has been Todd Eliason with Rushmore Electric and the board thanks him for facilitating this sponsorship.

Rodeo Committee Reports/Updates:

Rodeo Manager: Mike Stieger- will start reaching out to judges soon. LeeAnn Gaer will line up timers.

Grounds – Looking for a Grounds Manager- if anyone is interested please let a board member know.

Jeremy Cass -will handle the barrel/pole arena ground and bring his personal tractor/arena groomer.

Saddles – Connie Carroll has agreed to head the saddle committee, Teri has assisted in getting her started. Plan to order 9 saddles in the next couple of days.

930-ropers,880-barrels,980-AA

Photography–Shelly will secure contract with Starography to include photo certificates as 4th place go-around prize

Stalls – Stalling agreement available on website. There were approximately 535 stalls in 2017 so we would be looking at that amount plus 10% for 2018 as per past agreements with Stanley County fair grounds.

Rodeo Announcers- Justin Stampe (Main Arena/track arena) – Keith Gebhart(Barrel/Pole Arena). Rod Kusser and Alan Odden (Friday/Sun only) have also volunteered to help if needed.

Special Needs Rodeo – 2018 Entry Form is available on the SD 4h Rodeo website along with the Stanley County Waiver for any special needs contestants under age of 18. Rhonda Fuhrer is the committee chair.

Contestant Registration – no report at this time

Finals Awards Ceremony- Helen Jane Paxton- no report at this time

Ambulance – Bruce Kessler has been in contact with AMR – when it is decided if the ambulance will be needed Thursday night or Friday morning contract will be finalized. SDSU has agreed to pay for the 2018 SD 4H Finals Rodeo ambulance fee.

BBQ: Regina Maier & CHS- no update at this time

Buckles: Kathy Monnens reported that she plans to order buckles from Tres Rios for the 2018 Finals Rodeo

Sponsors/Advertising: Teri Heninger reported that sponsorships are coming in – 2 new saddle sponsors so far this year

Go-around Prizes: Teri Heninger – no update at this time

Gate/Ticket Sales: Shelly reported that the Stanley County Athletics has agreed to handle gate/ticket sales for 2018

Vendors: Shelly Cowan – no update at this time

Programs: Teri/Shelly/Kim – no update at this time

Concessions: Stanley County Wrestling – no update at this time

Saturday night entertainment: Dance -Blake Paxton/Helen Paxton – no update at this time

Garbage: Bruce Kessler reported Capital City Refuse is the Fairgrounds contracted garbage service now. Bruce will notify Capital City Refuse of our needs.

Portapotties: Kasey Hanson has been in contact with Wheelhouse Plumbing. They will bring port-a-potties Thursday morning.

Insurance: Shelly will check with SPI to see if there would be an additional expense if the Horsemanship is held Thursday night.

Additional Business

- CDL info – Bruce Kessler shared information from John Dvorak of the Highway Patrol.
- Ft Pierre will be hosting Prairie Trader Days August 17th & 18th during the SD 4-H Finals Rodeo. Planned events include: a carnival, helicopter rides, concert, BBQ, vendors, etc.

Schedule Next Meeting

The next SD 4H Finals Rodeo Committee will be held by conference call on Tuesday, April 24th at 7 p.m. central time.

3/23/18 Next meeting date was amended to Tuesday, May 1st at 7 p.m. central.

Adjourn

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Kathy Monnens made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Teri Heninger seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelly Cowan, Secretary
SD 4H Finals Rodeo Committee, Inc.