



Canadian Senior Pro Rodeo Association

Annual General Meeting Minutes for Website

Oct 19, 2019 at 10:00am

1. Call to order at 10:00am. Kenny welcomes everyone and thanks all the Directors for helping to make another rodeo season run smoothly then moves into the elections for positions that need to be filled:

VP - Lynn nominates Duane Ganske, he accepts, 2nd by Lonny
Tasha nominates Greg Cruikshank, he accepts, 2nd by Karen
Frances moves that nominations cease

Vote taken shows that Duane Ganske is Vice President for 2-year term

TD - Kelly Creasy lets name stand, no other nominations, **Kelly is a Tie Down Director for 2-year term**

SW - Shawn Chevallier lets name stand, no other nominations, **Shawn is Steer Wrestling Director for 2-year term**

RS - Greg C nominates Tom Thielen, he accepts, 2nd by Bill
Mike motions that nominations cease

Tom Thielen accepts position of Roughstock Director for a 2-year term

TR - Lonny nominates Blaine Oddan, he accepts, 2nd by Dave Heaton
Corey nominates Kerry Loepky, he accepts, 2nd by Lynn
Dave H nominates Lorne Lausen, he accepts, 2nd by Greg C
Mike moves that nominations cease

Vote taken shows that Blaine Oddan is a Team Roping Director for a 2-year term

RR - Glynnis nominates Lorne Lausen, he accepts, 2nd by Greg C
Lorne nominates Greg Cruikshank, he accepts, 2nd by Kerry Loepky
Motion that nominations cease

Vote taken shows that Lorne Lausen is a Ribbon Roping Director for a 2-year term

TD - Neil Watt has resigned his position of tie down director this week as he is too busy with his work in the US
Kelly nominates Greg Cruikshank, he accepts, 2nd by Kerry
Mike moves that nominations cease

Greg Cruikshank accepts position of a Tie Down Director for a 1-year term

2. Minutes from the 2018 AGM were online for all to read prior - **MOTION** to accept as is. **Accepted**

3. **FINANCIAL REPORT** - copy of 2018 financials were available at sign in table
-Bank Balances: General - \$66.5k Raffle - \$14.5k Casino - \$8.5k for a total of \$89.5k
(these numbers are prior to finals, reminder that finals cost approx \$62k each year):

MOTION to accept financials as submitted. **Accepted**

4. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Tie Down Report - Would like to clarify the rule for length of score (pg35, 4.b+4.c) so that everyone reads and interprets the rule the same way... rule states it should always be based on the length of the box with the decision being made by the event and arena directors along with input from stock contractor. It is said that our rodeos were about 5' under all year (rather than the 4' rule) so perhaps this needs to be reviewed and adjusted to make it fair, reasonable, clear and consistent.

NSPRA Report - Their 2019 finals are to be held in Duncan, OK again but they have a new president who is hoping to move the finals back to Vegas for 2020, possibly Sept 27-Oct 3, in the hopes that this move will bring back members, including Canadians, and thereby have more contestants going to the finals.

Committee Representative Report – In 2019 we had 21 Canadian rodeos at 10 different locations (6 of which were new rodeos) plus 5 rodeos in Montana. Other than the questionable weather, all the new rodeos were well appreciated by both the new committees and our membership. An item of note discussed this year is the possibility of moving the finals up to an earlier date, perhaps Oct 1-4, 2020. There was a good show of hands supporting this idea but the largest obstacle is still the time needed for getting awards. We will talk with those involved and do a “reverse” timeline to see what can be done. Another issue is that we might lose people who are still farming or people with kids in high school rodeo. Consensus vote taken is 1/3 wish to keep as is, 2/3 would like to see it earlier.

Rules Committee Report – All rule related items need to go to the rules committee first, mostly to get the proper most concise wording on items for clarity sake, and then they submit for final discussion and voting before putting into rulebook.

5. **NEW BUSINESS - Before we begin our discussion of the various items on the Agenda, Kenny reminds everyone that as per our rulebook, the proper procedure is that we have discussions on these items and collect information and then forward on to the rules committee for them to research and make recommendations back to the Board with proper wording, etc; no motions or voting is to be done at our AGMs.**

Casino – We have a casino on Nov 18 & 19th and need volunteers to help work all the positions/shifts for those two days. Rhonda Henry volunteers to help round up some workers for this.

6. **Rule change recommendations from the Rules Committee for AGM vote:**

- 1) **Re: Permit Contestants - MOTION** that any contestant may enter up to and including four rodeos for a \$15 permit fee per rodeo. Contestants competing on a permit do not accumulate points. Points begin to accumulate once full membership is purchased. Permit holders are subject to all CSPRA rules. Permit holders are not eligible to compete at the CSPRA Finals. To be added into the CSPRA rulebook on pg10, under non-members.
 - **24 are for the permit system and 35 are opposed - Motion Defeated**
- 2) **Re: Change Ribbon Roping Rule #H.3.d on page 38 - MOTION** that the ribbon measure no more than one (1) inch by fourteen (14) inches.
 - **Majority are for, none opposed - Motion Passed**
- 3) **Re: Cowboy Attire Rule #C.2.a.1) on page 12 - MOTION** that we change our “cowboy attire” rule to read: a contestant’s appearance must be neat, clean, professional and not consist of any gear/item deemed unsafe by a judge. Dress code is to be followed one hour prior to a performance or slack while in arena or performance area whether competing or not. A contestant must wear a cowboy hat or approved riding helmet, and western boots; collared, cuffed, long-sleeve shirts with buttons or snaps and pants that follow the “western attire” appearance, with the exception of the Ribbon Runners as per Rule #C.2.a.1).a) on page 12.
 - **Majority agreed - Motion Passed**

7. **Remainder of submitted items for AGM discussion:**

- 4) **Re: Distressed Events at the Finals** – item withdrawn
- 5) **Re: Moving Finals Date** – item withdrawn as it was already discussed
- 6) **Re: Co-Approvals** – wondering about the possibility of CSPRA not paying these fees or at the very least make committees pay if they want their rodeo co-approved. It is asked, “do we want to be associated with the “world association” or just be a little stand-alone association?”, yes most do want world association.
- 7) **Re: Men’s Breakaway** – Member would like to see this event opened up to all men just as ladies is. We are reminded that it gives the guys who can’t still calf rope an event to compete in. So then why can they enter all calf events, maybe it should be that you can enter tie down OR breakaway and not both.
 - Consensus vote taken is and 25 want to leave as is and 29 would be interested in two age groups for MBAW
- 8) **Re: Dress Code** – Item withdrawn as already discussed
- 9) **Re: Random Riding in Arena** – Is not allowed one hour prior to rodeo, during the events or intermissions, this includes circling or blowing horse down arena.
- 10) **Re: Limiting number of contestants allowed in arena** – This is hard to enforce because of weather and the size and set up of different arenas.
- 11) **Re: Stock Contractor & Committee responsibilities** – Submitter wasn’t present so not sure what was meant with this.
- 12) **Re: Judges** – Would like to see judges not be allowed to judge and compete at a rodeo. It is stated that it is difficult to find judges as it is and since we haven’t heard of any problems why change it.

- 13) **Re: Member Input on Stock** – Would like more input as a member. Members are reminded that they have voted in the event directors to represent them and so should there ever be any concerns or questions the members need to contact that event director and/or the president and/or vice president to discuss.
- 14) **Re: Extra Rodeo Fees** – Would like to see committees not be allowed to charge a facility fee and a clean up fee. It is stated that the CSPRA facility fee goes to committees but a clean up fee goes to an ag society.
- 15) **Re: Ambulance Fee** – Committees have a choice as to if they wish to charge this to recoup some costs.
- 16) **Re: Committee Draw** – Would like to see this money split equally to all committees. It is stated that this draw is an incentive to get committees to sign up their rodeos early to help members plan out their rodeo schedule for the season.
- 17) **Re: Roughstock at all Rodeos** – Would like to have this as mandatory. Members are reminded that was how it used to be and that we lost rodeos due to the extra costs that go along with roughstock events so we gave committees the option.
- 18) **Re: Barrel Racing Gates** – Would like to make a rule that all barrel racers have to enter and exit the same designated gate. Members are reminded that if they are wanting to add/change the rulebook then they need to submit a “rule change form”, from website or office, to get it in the system properly.
- 19) **Re: Barrel Rule Clarification** – Would like to clarify the rule “don’t work your horses on the pattern” and a rule change form will be submitted for this.
- 20) **Re: Barrel Racing Timer** – Would like the CSPRA to purchase a second electronic timer for back up. We discuss and as per rules 1.5.b+c on page 42, the two timers with the manual stop watches are the back ups for barrel racing. Perhaps we just need to make sure rodeo committees are fully aware of their responsibilities as laid out in their rodeo package. We will have each timer write down their own individual times on their individual timer sheets, not averaged, and then if needed we can average the two times when the sheets come back to the office. Also, some girls travel with their own electronic timers and so should we ever decide to use someone’s personal electronic timer we could maybe pay for its use/rental.
- 21) **Re: Upholding AGM Motions** – Withdrawn item as it was already discussed at the start of the meeting.
- 22) **Re: Approved Judges/Timers** – This was already discussed with the timer item.
- 23) **Re: Reconfiguring of Age Groups** – Discussion on the possibility of changing our event group ages, ie: maybe 35-45, 46-55, etc. She will do a study based on the ages of our membership and report back to us.

8. MOTION to adjourn, 12:40pm