



Canadian Senior Pro Rodeo Association

2021 Meeting Minutes

April 6, 2021 at 7:10pm via Zoom Video Conferencing

Call to order at 7:10pm,

Introduction and welcome of new secretary/ treasurer to association and thanks Board members involved in the hiring process.

1. Minutes from Feb 23 Zoom meeting emailed out- **Motion** to accept as is., 2nd **Accepted**

The March 13 Grievance Meeting is gone over. It was never the intention of the member to grieve the fine, only to clarify the rule as this had previously not been an issue. The rule was clarified for the member and each director is asked to watch for rules and to help members and judges make decisions according to the rules.

2. Reporting on the information found on the FCA website. Dr Henshaw has hopeful news regarding rodeos. As of today April 6/2021, the timeline is as follows. April- Mid May: no Spectators. Mid May- June: 15 % of fixed capacity or 100 Max outdoors.

June- July 50 % fixed capacity or 500 outdoors. July 1 they are hoping to lift restrictions. There are four groups working together with AHS. WRA is having an April rodeo to hopefully show that protocols can be followed. After discussion on restrictions it is hopeful for our rodeo year.

3. Sponsorship Report: Still a lot of people unable to make decision currently, and a lot of refusals. We do have a couple new sponsors Equine Energy, Vantage Trailers, Conterra will give \$500.00 towards finals and Lawson Projects have signed on today. It is hopeful that things are moving in a positive direction. Office asks for clarification of sponsor packages and Coordinator will confirm with office what the packages now include.

4. Reporting from the CSPRA Office: Bank balances totaling 62 K

- Stabilizer Grant still waiting on, should hear something in April.
- 50/50 – Presented that we should look at two separate raffles with the first on being online. We need to keep in mind that we must have 20-25 % minimum payout example \$20 000.00 would be paid out \$4000.00 minimum as well as raffle company expense. We need to pick size of raffle, ticket packages as well as quantity of each package. Discussion on how to proceed. Committee is formed. Office will forward any information from Raffle box to Chair. **Motion** to accept the committee to handle the affairs for the raffle. 2nd. **Accepted**
- Reminder for code of conduct to be into office by mid-April

7. **NEW BUSINESS / COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Breakaway Roping – nothing to report currently.

Steer Wrestling – nothing to report currently.

Team Roping – After polling members, results were split with only about 2% responding. For now, they will leave things status quo and hope to have an impromptu meeting at first rodeo with ropers to get any ideas. Spares at finals will be run every night by a non- member. All event spares at finals will need to be run through and directors are reminded they are responsible for their events.

Tie Down Roping- nothing to report currently.

Ladies Barrel Racing – A member had questions regarding the rule on raking on the ground or name call. After consulting with Rules Committee, it was decided that the rule would not need to be changed as it also states on the discretion of the director.

Ribbon Running- Director was questioned by a member about whether it must be a person at the side for the gate. Director would like to see it be a barrel used as a post rather than a person as it would be more consistent, and the runners would know what to run through rather than the confusion of who the person is. Questions if it could be a something smaller than a barrel, but the problem is transporting something else to the rodeo. Director confirmed that it would be the barrel, and no one would be allowed past. Discussion on whether it could be tried at a couple rodeos to see if it would work, and why we need a marker at all. Rulebook states it needs to be off score line. It is decided to try at first rodeo and make an evaluation from the outcome. Director will make something to put on barrel to line up with. **Motion** to try the barrel as the post at Cardston Ag rodeo. 2nd. **Accepted**

TABLED ITEMS

- **Finals cost:** It is roughly \$12 000.00 instead of \$10 750.00. The increase is for a 5-year contract. Ponoka charges \$1200. / day on their website. Director has spoken with Art Gallais and he spend roughly \$12 000. for a three-day roping total with everything in. Prices from Ponoka are \$1200. / day with a one-time charge of \$1.00/ head clean up charge. Stalls are \$40.00 for first night and \$ 20.00 per night after. The tractor has 5 free tractor drags and then is \$ 30.00/hr. Questions regarding some of the panel set up charges from the Claresholm ag bill. Discussion of putting it out for Bids. Director volunteers to check other arena's pricing to compare charges. Do we need to go with a five-year contract or are we getting a locked in rate? We need a list of what amenities we require and let Director know. A Second director will give a hand. Questions on how much time we have before we lose the Claresholm date. There is nothing on the contract that says we need to sign by a certain date. We are confident that the Claresholm Ag would not give our date away without contacting us first. Questions whether we can possibly move dates. It is suggested that Investigating Directors investigate pricing and then we can look at dates. It is a concern that a five-year deal is not in our best interest but should we just book for this year, giving us time to investigate. It is stated that if we want to move dates in 2022 at Claresholm Ag there is room in his books now, but we need to plan soon. There was a motion last meeting to book Claresholm for the 2021 year. Do we need to rescind? It is discussed and as we are just investigating it is OK. Questions whether we would get the same price with Claresholm if we only sign for one year. It is unsure. Should we let him know that we are shopping around and see if he might lower price. Directors volunteered to investigate the pricing of other facilities and contact Claresholm to see about only signing one year. Office will send list of how many stalls and power plug ins to Directors.

RULE CHANGE – PROPOSAL:

Page# 9, rule1-D-3&4

To Amend the dates for rule change proposal and start dates for any changes in rules for the CSPRA.

Motion to have the deadline date for rule change proposals as January 30. The commencement date for new rules, amended rules or changed rules will be 14 days prior to the first rodeo of the season. 2nd. **Accepted**

Page # 16, D.4.c

To Amend the rule for the non-member payment.

Motion to have all fees paid to the office and age verifications for non-members provided to the CSPRA office at the time of entries. If local fails to comply for any reason their fees are not refunded and should be figured into the payout. 2nd. **Accepted**

Page 10 Section II, Part B.4.d & Pg 19, E.1.c

To Amend the rule for how many rodeo's non-members may compete in.

Discussion on how many days a non-member should be allowed to compete. Questions on what is considered a local, so we have any sort of limits? Will one day give the full experience or should they know after that? Do we chance losing potential members?

Motion to allow non-members to compete at one rodeo per year, entry can be up to 3 days of rodeo at one location without becoming a CSPRA member. 2nd. 9 in favor 3 opposed. **Carried**

New Business

1. We are still looking for final's coordinator. Office will put ad on website
2. We are trying to find awards coordinator; he is still hoping that member will do it.
3. It is presented that with new AGLC rules we need a new Casino Chairperson. We cannot have our Office in charge. Casino Chairperson is agreed upon.
4. **Motion made** to official transfer all authority from Michelle Atwood to Bev Ganske for the day to day running of the CSPRA office and give her permission to act on behalf of the CSPRA for any AGLC matters. 2nd. **Accepted**
5. **Motion** have co-signing authority given to Lonny and Angie for the bank accounts to make it easier for office to get cheques signed. 2nd **Accepted**
6. It is discussed about the overlap of Coutts rodeo with Augusta rodeo. Discussion on whether we need to worry as with Covid we probably won't get across border. We are CSPRA and should we consider our Canadian rodeo's first. Is Augusta able to move dates if we can get across border? Thoughts of possible changes for future years if this happens again, as well to keep in mind that Augusta sponsors a lot of things for our Association. **Motion** for our Association to consider Montana dates as we approve Canada rodeo's. 2nd. 11 in favor, 1 abstain. **Carried**
7. It is asked if we can have a qualified list of judges. Discussion on what is a qualified judge and what is the minimum criteria? It is asked why we have no judge director. The office does have a list of judges', but committee's do not always use. Can we enforce? Discussion on Northern Rodeo's and we will inquire who they are thinking of hiring as judges. Can committee submit Judge names and directors can approve or disapprove of the names?

MOTION to adjourn, 2nd at 9:12 pm.

Next Meeting May 18/2021