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Women's Professional Rodeo Association World Championship Barrel Racing®

WPRA Board Meeting Minutes June 26, 2024

WPRA Board Meeting Minutes 6/26/2024

Meeting Start: 4:00 PM MT Meeting End: 6:52PM MT

In Attendance: Jimmie Munroe, Heidi Schmidt, Christi Braudrick, Lynn Smith, Rainy Robinson, Kathy Clement, Melora Potter, Dillon McPherson, Shelly Vossler, Cindy Gillespie, Lois Ferguson, Jenna Duhon, Julie Herman, Dana Eismeier, Hannah Miller, Janet Cropper

Not in Attendance: N. Bice, S. Robbins, B. Miller

WPRA President Jimmie Munroe called the meeting to order.

Topic #1- June 5, 2024 Minutes: They will go out for an online vote tomorrow.

Topic #2- Major Rule Violation Hearing #1: Violation of rule of 9.3.3- willfully causing disturbances or unnecessarily aggravating rodeo producers, secretaries, committees, judges, etc.

Hearing and deliberation

Motion: I move that the Board reduce this violation to a minor rule violation and assess a \$100 fine.

Total Yes Votes-12: Total No Votes-0: Motion passes.

Topic #3- Major Rule Violation Hearing #2: Violation of rule 9.3.17- conduct, speech.... detrimental to the public image of the WPRA, reputation or wellbeing of the WPRA or sport of rodeo.

Hearing and deliberation.

Motion: I move that the Board reduce this violation to a minor rule violation and assess a \$150 fine. 2nd

Total Yes Votes-8: Total No Votes-3: Motion passes.

Topic #4- ST. Paul Rodeo Update: Issue resolved itself. Item dropped from the agenda.

Topic #5- 2024 WPRA World Finals Update: H. Miller reviewed the WPRA World Finals Committee's recommended changes for 2024. The changes cover entry fees, added money, awards packages, jackets and preliminary event schedule.

Discussion.

Motion by Wilderness Circuit Director Julie Herman: I move that the Board approves all the recommendations from the World Finals Committee.

2nd by Roping Director Lynn Smith

Total Yes Votes- 10: J. Herman, L. Smith, H. Schmidt, C. Braudrick, K. Clement, M. Potter, D. McPherson, S. Vossler, L. Ferguson, J. Duhon

Total No Votes-0 Motion passes.

Topic #6- 2024 Rule Proposals Batch 1: Review of each proposal in batch #1 and the Rule Committee's recommendations. Review led by the Rule Proposal Committee Chair Dillon McPherson.

Discussion.

Motion by Wilderness Circuit Director Julie Herman: I move that the Board accept the recommendations of the Rule Proposal Committee for batch #1.

2nd by WPRA Vice President Heidi Schmidt

Total Yes Votes- 10: J. Herman, H. Schmidt, C. Braudrick, L. Smith, K. Clement, M. Potter, D. McPherson, S. Vossler, C. Gillespie (proxy), L. Ferguson

Total No Votes-0 Motion passes.

Topic #7- 2024 Roping Election Related Proposals: Review of the Rule Proposal Committee's recommendations as they relate to roping election matters.

Lengthy discussion.

Motion by WPRA Vice President Heidi Schmidt: I move that the Board accept the Rules Proposal Committee's recommendations and guidelines.

2nd by Roping Director Lynn Smith

Total Yes Votes-10: H. Schmidt, C. Braudrick, L. Smith, K. Clement, M. Potter, D. McPherson, S. Vossler, C. Gillespie (proxy), L. Ferguson J. Herman

Total No Votes-0 Motion passes.

Topic #8- 2024 Heart of Texas Discussion: Texas Circuit Director Lois Ferguson shared with the Board the Heart of Texas Rodeo Committee's thoughts regarding WPRA member participation in their 2024 Shoot Out event and Permit race.

Lengthy discussion providing the Board's view on these 2 requests.

Meeting adjourned.