

**WPRA Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Teleconference**  
**5/8/2013**  
**4:15 PM MT**

**In attendance:** Carolynn Vietor, Jerri Mann, Patti McCutchen, Tana Poppino, Marguerite Happy, Tamra Musick, Margo Ransom, Doreen Wintermute, Sarah Kieckhefer, Dillon McPherson, Eileen Lang-Kramme, Melanie Luark and Robyn Herring. Dana Eismeier and Janet Cropper.

**Not in attendance:** Jana Kent-Isaac, Julie Herman and Ryann Pedone

Carolynn Vietor calls the meeting to order.

***1. Review of February Board decision to not fund supplemental added bonus money to the 2013 Omaha purse.***

Carolynn Vietor stated her concern and that of members who have contacted her regarding the prior Board's decision to not fund any supplemental added bonus money to the 2013 Omaha purse. She stated that the rulebook says we must have equal added money. She felt the Board should reconsider funding the supplemental added bonus money to make up the difference in the men's and women's purse.

The Board discussed many aspects pertaining to Omaha including: the fact that the prior Board had already made a decision about not funding supplemental added bonus money for Omaha, the possibility of selling sponsorships, whether Omaha is a finals or a regular rodeo, if there is a difference between a committee purse and supplemental bonus money, different interpretations of the rule book as it applies to equal added money, the limit of 12 contestants, whether to not approve the rodeo and how this topic should not be an issue in 2014.

After a lengthy discussion the Board concluded, based on their consensus, to leave the February decision in place.

The next meeting is the regular monthly Board meeting on Tuesday, May 14, 2013 at 4:15 PM MT.

Meeting adjourned.

Note: Members should periodically talk to their Circuit/Division Directors to understand how their Director voted on issues and the thinking behind their vote.

