

DOUGLAS COUNTY FAIR BOARD- RODEO COMMITTEE MEETING

MONDAY, MAY 11 2020 AT 6:30 PM

VIRTUAL MEETING

Meeting

Attendance: Craig Sloan, John Adams, Debbie Mills, Gabe Ryan, Jennifer Foss, Deb Dilley, Tim Hallmark, Pat Candelaria, Scott Candelaria, Synneva Knopp, Luanne Lee

Mutton Bustin'- The Committee discussed the feasibility of having mutton bustin' under the current restrictions. Problems identified included the lack of control in regards to social distancing from the time the participants register, to gearing up, to the actual ride. One large issue would be sanitizing the protective equipment- helmet and vest- that kids wear during their ride. Jennifer Foss suggested the idea of having kids wear their own gear if they play hockey or some contact sport. It was decided that the recommendation from the Committee would be to cancel mutton bustin' for 2020 due to logistic reasons.

Beyond the Dirt- The Committee decided to recommend canceling this event for 2020 because there is no way to do it with social distancing and without the guarantee of public on the grounds.

Hospitality Tent/Hall of Fame- Debbie let the Committee know that the Hall of Fame is not sure if they are going to have their induction weekend or not and are waiting to see how many rodeos cancel and what happens with COVID-19. She also said that she is reaching out to restaurants to see about box lunches for contestants.

Veterinarian- Craig asked Synneva to send him the vet's contact information. She said she would.

Hometown Rodeo- The Committee recommended following the same guidelines as the PRCA. Pat asked how they would accomplish social distancing in the crow's nest. She explained that she needs at least 3 timers. John suggested moving the timers to the chutes and said that there would be challenges this year, but that everyone will need to be flexible and creative in finding solutions.

Xtreme Bulls- It was decided that Xtreme Bulls will take place in the Outdoor Arena PRCA Rodeo- Craig talked about the PRCA safety guidelines and ground rules surrounding COVID-19. The Committee will recommend keeping all PRCA events and adhering to the guideline already created.

PRCA Rodeo- John explained that the deadline to determine whether or not the rodeo will take place is July 9- the day before contestants enter. All of the contractors are being flexible and are willing to wait.

Justin Sports Medicine- Debbie let everyone know they will still be involved and are waiting to hear our plans.

Marketing – Debbie let everyone know that sponsorships are down, but there are many who still want to be involved and are waiting to see what will be available. She sent a letter to Bill Maffeo and is going to try and coordinate a meeting with him and the new owners. No advertising is taking place at this time.

Next Meeting- June 8