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Full Board meeting OKC.

Attendance: Brad, Em, Natalie, Danny, Jeremy Sherman, Jeremy Sharit, Kevin, Brayleigh, Clinton, Jimmy, Mark, Jody, Billy, Jay, Annie, Cory.

Billy Called the meeting to order. Minutes were passed out from previous meetings and reviewed. Mark made a motion to accept the minutes as written, Kevin 2<sup>nd</sup> and all were in favor. An updated resolution was presented with current officers and Annie. Jay made a motion to accept the resolution and Jimmy 2<sup>nd</sup> all were in favor.

Annie gave an update on franchise and membership numbers. Jimmy is going to attend the Hawaii franchise. Jimmy gave an update on the judge's clinics he would like to go to Utah and Colorado. He would also like to work with Jody to put together some runs on video to aid in the clinics.

Annie gave the ED report and presented the financials. Everyone agreed that we would keep the CD and just roll them over. A vote was not needed since no additional money will be invested. Finals financials were presented and discussion was held on the price of hay and feed. We will look into some additional options for the 2024 finals.

Ron Bessonen presented and made recommendations to update the portfolio. He met with the finance committee on the 29<sup>th</sup> and the committee agreed with his recommendations. Jeremy Sherman made a motion to accept committee request and Kevin 2<sup>nd</sup> all were in favor.

Cory presented sponsorship numbers and discussed potential new sponsors he has in the works. Discussion was had on Rusty being the RV maintenance on site. Hayes was there also but created some confusion. Jeremy made a motion but then rescinded the motion no vote was necessary.

Discussion on golf carts and members not registering them. Billy will announce it at the mandatory meeting and also discussion on golf cart parking and blocking handicap parking. We will ask Derek if a better option of the sticker could be used.

Billy discussed how Cory is paid. Discussion on commissions and in-kind trade. It was suggested to reduce commission rate to 6% for 1 year and then no commissions on in-kind trade after year. Billy would like to re-write the contract to state all in-kind trade must be approved. Billy made a motion for the executive team to rewrite the contract and Jimmy 2<sup>nd</sup>. All were in favor. Cory agreed that he will review contract once written.

Discussion was made on Hope Counts. Jodi reported that the account balance is currently about 19,000. Currently when membership is in need they apply to the committee. Kevin made a motion to bring all of Hope Counts back in house and Jodi 2<sup>nd</sup> all were in favor. We have a family in Indiana that has been

requested \$1000.00. Mark made a motion to approve the request and Jeremy Sharit 2<sup>nd</sup>. All were in favor. Jodi will send out this check from Hope Counts account.

Royalty Committee gave an update. Committee would like to hire Lynn Sweat and the royalty coordinator. Brad and Jodi talked to her as a possible candidate. Joanna will stay on for the remainder of the year and travel to Vegas. Lynn only asks that her expenses be covered but that will be very minimal. She will be notified that this will become effective January 2024. Brad will also be at the NFR if Joanna needs any help with Royalty.

TV production was discussed. Kevin made a motion that in 2025 we will not renew D&C production for the TV production only (this does not affect the filming / streaming coverage D&C provides). The money we will save will be added money to the jackpot during the Finals and make each event receive 4500.00 added money. Brad 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and all were in favor.

The scholarship committee would like to approve \$15,450.00 be released to the schools. Kevin made a motion to approve the request and Jeremy Sherman 2<sup>nd</sup>. All were in favor.

The committee would like Saddle to do a "meet the member" article on Ashlyn G since she is receiving a very large sum of scholarship money to be published in the next magazine.

2025 dates will be June 29<sup>th</sup> through July 5<sup>th</sup>. Jeremy Sherman made a motion to accept the new dates Jay 2<sup>nd</sup> and all were in favor.

Kevin made a motion to go into executive session Jimmy 2<sup>nd</sup> and all were in favor. The Youth Board and Cory were asked to leave and Annie was invited to stay.

At 3:42 Kevin made a motion to come out of executive session and Jay 2<sup>nd</sup>. All were in favor.

Kevin discussed finals updates. He would like to look at some additional options for EMT's. The open ride needs to have more than 3 board members in attendance and also western style shoes were discussed. No "hey dudes" or "tennis shoes" are allowed this is clearly stated in the rule book. Discussion was had on drinking in between the rodeos and prior to the night rodeos. This is not allowed from personnel or board members. If this is a problem the individuals will be escorted off site. Discussion was had on hiring personnel for the 2024 finals. We will invite back: secretaries, announcer, timers and judges. Bullfighters and pick up men will be opened up and close October 31.

Stock committee discussed inviting stock contractors back. They will all remain the same.

Volunteer committee discussed paying individuals 600 dollars to help. There will be 3 per arena

Discussion was held on when the next meeting will be looking at January 12-14 or Jan 20-22.

Kevin made a motion to adjourn and Jimmy 2<sup>nd</sup> all were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted



1/18/2025

Annie Walter – Executive Director