Galen brought up the topic of changing the point structure back to where it was. His feeling is that the current structure of the 5 and 5 is hurting the point structure for the big franchises and does not seem to be slowing down the entries. Mark Massey and Carmen Denison both shared that their franchises were paying back checks to contestants that they did not receive points and that the decision is hurting the contestants in general. Kevin Hollingsworth shared conversations from their franchise rodeos. They all felt that the decision is hurting more contestants than it helps.

Paul Bottini asked how a change in the decision will affect the points for the rodeos that have already been held. Brant Bamberg shared that this is a family organization where the entire family can compete. Dusty Sagers shared that we need to think about the decisions that are being made.

Kevin Hollingsworth shared that the motion and decision and vote was based off projected numbers that were planned for the finals. Sam discussed and shared information on the numbers of the rodeos to date.

More discussion of points, how it would affect the numbers by dropping the 6-7th places off. Bud was asked to contact the ARTs program maintainer to request information of the numbers of the number of contestants that qualified in just the top 5 places. Ginger Myers shared information about how the profit margin and the sales were up this year as well.

The discussion will be continued after additional information is gathered and then an email vote may be needed.

Respectfully submitted,

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