



National Little Britches Rodeo Association
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Jodi Stoddard
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John Stewart
Billy Nelson
Sam Stoddard
Shawnee Sagers

Sam Smith
Brant Bamberg
Mark Massey
Jason Grubb
Absent: Chris Strickland
Jimmy Lovelady

Scholarship Requests

Jerald made a motion to accept \$6800 scholarship requests. Brant seconded. Motion passed.

Rule Change Proposals

Kevin Hollingsworth made a motion not accept the rule change proposal. Jerald Bierman seconded. Motion approved.

Rule Change Proposal (#1)

Submitted by: Neil Hummel

For Sr bareback/saddle bronc & Jr bareback steer/saddle bronc steer National Finals qualification requirements to enter Finals to be changed to 1 placing in the top 5. Reason for this change are as follows: Entries in these events are lacking and we need to do everything we can to encourage growth in number of entries and encourage those kids/families that have made a considerable investment in equipment to keep going. Everyone would benefit with more entries from the kids to the stock contractor to NLBRA to the concessions and hotels at the Finals. Many of these rough stock kids only do those events and would not require more stalls or camping at the Lazy E as they stay in hotels. Many have stated in the past that we must treat all events the same, but that is wrong. The bareback riding is completely different from the barrels as is the Jr saddle bronc steer is different from goats or poles. The PRCA treats all events separately with different qualifications to enter the big winter rodeos or major series rodeos. Also, awards for these events at the Finals could be changed possibly only buckles to each go round champions and not award 7 as in other events when there are so few entries. As entries grow more awards could be given. I think the important thing is to encourage kids to enter the Finals and their skills will grow with time. I personally knew several that would have entered the Finals but were lacking 1 or 2 placings to qualify. Please, Please, this needs to be changed immediately to grow these events!

Kevin Hollingsworth made a motion to table the rule change until clarification is made with the proposal. Sam Stoddard seconded. Motion approved.

Rule Change Proposal (#2)

Submitted By: Neil Hummel

I would also like to propose that \$1.00 be added to every event entry at every sanctioned rodeo and be sent to national office and this money be added to the jackpot payoff at the Finals. In 2014 a study was made and there were 86,000 event entries nationwide which would have added \$86,000 to the jackpot payoff. I believe if this was implemented it would grow our association substantially with new member and sponsors.

Tim Rice made a motion to not accept the rule change proposal. Sam Smith seconded. Motion approved.

Rule Change Proposal (#3)

Submitted By: Misty Easler

Page 105-109, Article VIII, Section 4, Letter A & B, Number all

Remove trail course for senior and junior girls.

Additional Comments: This is not a rodeo event, nor does it take place at game events. Many children do not like it and do it because their parents make them or for all around.

Kevin Hollingsworth made a motion to accept the rule proposal. Paul Bottini seconded. Motion approved.

Rule Change Proposal (#4)

Submitted By: Misty Easler

Page 110, Article X, Section 3

The rules for goat tying are the same as for senior girl's division except that the goats must be uniform and weigh no more than 40 pounds.

Additional Comments: Remove except the time limit is 45 seconds. Junior girl's goat tying should be at 30 seconds like senior division and junior boys.

Billy Nelson made a motion to accept the rule change proposal. Jerald Bierman seconded. Motion approved.

Opposed Paul Bottini and John Stewart

Rule Change Proposal (#5)

Submitted By: Sam Stoddard

Page 50, Article IV, Section G

Contestants are responsible for supplying a pusher.

Additional Comments: Remove pusher must be a contestant entered in the particular rodeo. Add a pusher may be any individual in western attire.

Paul Bottini made the motion to accept the amended motion. Billy Nelson seconded. Motion approved.

Mark Massey made an amendment to the motion to include "arena help only to wear western style footwear."

Rule Change Proposal (#6)

Submitted By: Mark Massey

Page 45 Paragraph C

Add to western boots and long pants to say Add western style footwear. Amend to for "arena help only".

Volunteer Committee Update

Tim Rice explained the process that will be used this year for signing up volunteers at the finals. It is an email link that people can sign up for specific duties, in specific arenas, for specific events. The program is very user friendly. It will send out emails and messages as reminders for people to sign up to volunteer. This will be pushed out through social media and shared at the opening contestant meeting. The cost for the program will be \$500.

Rule Clarification Committee Update

The committee brought forth discussion clarifications on events in the NLBRA rulebook. Discussion was held on clarifications on event rules and any information that would need to be sent out to secretaries and franchises. Does this need more detail??

Finals Update (including camping and stalls)

Annie Walter shared updates and information on camping spots and stalling options. The office is still working on securing additional spots and stalls.

New Business

Discussion was held on a personal issue of a board member that was shared with the board. No action was taken.

Mark Massey made a motion to adjourn. John Stewart seconded. Motion approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Jodi Stoddard
NLBRA Executive Board Secretary

Signed by Annie Walter
approved 1/22/2022

