

Manitoba High School Rodeo Association

Adult Executive and Directors at Large Meeting

Meeting Minutes

February 14, 2015

Brandon, Manitoba

- I. Kelly Millward called meeting to order 11:10 AM.
- II. **Attendance** – Julie Rowe, Marcy Helmeczi, Art Cochrane, Kelly Millward, Doug Bergeson, Randy Allan, Kevin McCannell, Ray Salmon, Wayne Rowe, Neil Gillies, Rachelle Boyes, Shannon Jackson, Shane MacLennan, Terrance Vodon, Shelby Gillies, Mac Rowe and Diane Allan
- III. **Approval of minutes** – Minutes of Aug. 3, 2014 were circulated by e-mail. Rachelle Boyes moved to accept the minutes with no errors or omissions. Randy Allan Seconded.
- IV. **Treasurer's Report** – Diane Allan read the treasurers report in the absence of Erin Park. Wayne Rowe motioned to accept a bank balance of \$46,866.56. Randy Allan Seconded. Art Cochrane would like to see a US account opened. Diane Allan and Erin Park to check into what needs to be done to do this. Rachelle Boyes spoke about possibly moving some funds to the account when the \$\$ is still a reasonable exchange rate.
- V. **Scholarship Report** – Diane Allan read the scholarship report in the absence of Terry Jackson. Neil Gillies motioned to accept a bank balance of \$66,699.69. Doug Bergeson Seconded. Terry will be requesting the grocery voucher scholarship funds from the general account once she has all the documentation in place – the preliminary number she has is \$4,587.39. Still waiting for the back-up documentation from Vonda Lane. Once received she will be doing up new updated blocks for the members for the Pierson Rodeo.
- VI. **Sponsorship Report** – Diane Allan read sponsorship report in the absence of Alanna Madsen. Kevin McCannell motioned to accept a bank balance of \$11,212.57. Rachelle Boyes Seconded.

Below is the report Alanna had e-mailed to Diane.

I am still looking for 1 or 2 people to help with the High School Awards, as I will be stepping back next year as it is Holly's last year. I believe we have to ladies to help with Junior awards Mrs. Hollingshead and Mrs. Smyth, thank you ladies I will be in touch. I also want to make sure we have at least 2 people set to do Thank you cards not sure if these people are in place.

Thanks to Steve Reimer for getting sponsorship from Meridian and Delmar. I have sent out most letters and have received only 2 back so far saying they are unable to sponsor.

I need to know if there is a queen contestant as I may be looking for a new saddle sponsor as Ellis don has not gotten back to me and I haven't pushed not knowing.

I also need to know how many more buckles we need for the Reined Cow horse.

I think that is all call me if you have any questions.

Alanna

- VII. **Student Treasurer Report** – Shannon Jackson presented and motioned to accept a bank balance of \$4,218.54. Art Cochrane Seconded. Art Cochrane suggested that the student executive should look at putting more funds in the their GIC which is at a present balance of \$1,226.15.

Topics for Discussion

1. **Update on website.** - Kelly had spoken to someone from a business in Russell and has never heard back from them. Art would like to see the old information taken off the website bulletin board. We will continue to look for a new website host.
2. **Non-profit status – Where do we sit with this?** Ray Salmon has been working on this and sending in applications. One application was turned down and another was lost. Ray said he needs to have more scholarship information for the application which is a slow process, has been working with an accountant to figure out how to fill out the applications for completion. Ray was instructed to keep applying. Art Cochrane would like to see a report update on a monthly basis.
3. **Rodeos for spring 2015.** – Brady Fawns had prepared a Rodeo Schedule Report which was given to the attendees.

Rodeo Schedule Report

Spring 2015

April 19- Pierson. One day rodeo. Reined cowhorse along with their ranch horse competition on Friday, April 17. 3D barrel racing Saturday April 18th.

May 9th and 10th- Swan River. I would call this tentative for now but this is the date they are planning for (lots of issues)

May 17th and 18th- Grunthal

May 23rd and 24th- Rapid City (Junior High Finals)

May 30th and 31st- Gilbert Plains

June 5th, 6th and 7th- Selkirk High School Finals.

June 21st -27th- National Junior High Finals- Des Moines, Iowa

July 12th-18th- National High School Finals- Rock Springs, Wyoming

July 23rd- 25th- Canadians- Nanton, Alberta

Summer 2015 Start of New Season

August 3rd- Minnedosa

August 8th and 9th- Winkler

August 15th- Virden

August 22nd and 23rd- Russell-Please note the date change. Onanole not going this year

Sept 6th and 7th- Selkirk

Sept 11th and 12th-Beausejour (Friday and Saturday) Starts Friday at 3pm

Sept 19th and 20th- Oak Lake

Motion - Art Cochrane motioned to approve the rodeo schedule as prepared by Brady Fawns and if the association receives any new rodeo sanction forms, those forms will need the approval of the executive board. Neil Gillies Seconded. In Favour ALL Non opposed.

4. **Dodge raffle tickets – Are we doing this?** – Diane Allan has received the tickets from the National Office and will be giving to a grad parent at the informational meeting following this executive meeting.
5. **BAC program – Where do we want to go with this?** – Kelly Millward reported that Dave Sandilands does a BAC program in Esterhazy, Saskatchewan so our membership should attend there. Marcy Helmeczi received the dates and they will be put on the website. Diane will send an e-mail to the membership as well.
6. **Queen for 2015-16 season. Do we have any contestants?** – Will be discussed at the informational meeting as Helen Peake our Queen Co-ordinator will be in attendance at that meeting.

7. **Entry Fees/Association Fees/Insurance Fees – Do we need to review where we are at and make adjustments?** – Art would like us to look at the fees to make sure we are not running at a loss with the exchange rate changing. The funds that are sent down to the National office with the memberships are in American \$\$\$. We should be looking for possible sponsorship, hopefully see something if we can be a non-profit.
7. **Rodeo Committee Guide – Can we update for the 2015-16 season?** – Diane to work on the Committee Guide and send to executive for tweeking.
9. **Status on EMT or ambulance – Do we have a final consensus and do the rodeo committees know about this?** – Diane to send to the rodeo committees the motion that was passed at the 2014 AGM. This motion to be put in the Committee Guide.
10. **Constitution – Should we be setting up an update schedule?** – Art would like to see a date set to review our Constitution as there has been some changes such as the liability insurance we are now required to have.
11. **Report on finals – Is Selkirk hosting 2016 or do we need to find a new venue?** – The Selkirk Rodeo Committee is having a meeting on February 19, 2015 and Kelly is to ask Bob Fairlie to attend this meeting.
12. **Checklist – Should there be a checklist made so that all know what needs to be done throughout the rodeo season.** – Art Cochrane suggested a calendar be made with the dates diarized so that all executives/directors knows when their jobs need to be completed. Diane will work on this.
13. **Ray Salmon – Update on Reined Cow Horse event.** – Ray reported that 6 kids on average have been attending the clinics being held. Two clinics have been held and a 3rd on February 15, 2015. Pierson has been confirmed with holding our 1st Reined Cow Horse event. Ray suggesting that the participants attend an approved clinic before participating in the event. This was an oversight as that needs to go to the AGM as a ground rule and be voted on so all membership (High School only) can enter. This event is a combined event with boys and girls competing against each other. Only finals points go towards the All Around as well as the bonus points.
14. **Norm's stock** – Kelly has received a letter from Norm Sterzer of the Seven Cross Ranch. Diane to e-mail a copy to the executive as well as the committees.
15. **Kelly Millward – Treasurer** – Erin Park had said she will not be able to attend all rodeo so would like to find someone who could assist her with the treasurers duties for the rodeos that she is unable to attend.
16. **Alumni Dance** – There will be an Alumni Dance held on the Friday evening of the finals in Selkirk. The student executive will be working on a list of the Alumni and contacting through social media.

New Business

This year the NHSRA has a new award called the Spirit Buckle Award. **There is also scholarship awards of \$2000.** It is for Seniors only **and can be divided into** 4 x \$500.00 scholarships which after being selected you have to apply through the National Office separate from the MHSRA scholarships you have received.

Diane Allan and Julie Rowe have requested to dispose of old electronic equipment which is obsolete. Rachelle Boyes motioned to dispose of the electronic equipment. Randy Allan Seconded.

Canadians –

MOTION: Art Cochrane motioned to pay the \$4,000.00 invoice for the Canadians when it is received by the MHSRA secretary. Ray Salmon Seconded.

Art Cochrane and Brian Gillespie have been discussing about having a K-5 peewee association with this happening before the regular rodeos to involve the younger kids and possibly increase our membership when they become of age.

Marcy Helmeczi motioned to adjourn the meeting at 12:52 PM and Ray Salmon Seconded.