



**NRA Board of Directors Meeting
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Tuesday, January 24, 2023
Via Teleconference Call**

President Joe Warner and President Cierra Erickson called the meeting to order.

Roll call was taken and a quorum verified: President Joe Warner; Vice President Mike Cole; Ryan Parsons, Bull Riding Director; Garret Yeager, Steer Wrestling Director; Shawn Dunagan, Tie Down Roping Director; Brad Yerian, Team Roping Director; Andy Bolich, Junior Events Director; Travis Sigman, Contract Personnel Director; Executive Committee Director Dan Majerus; Paul Eiker, Stock Contractor Director; Western Committee Directors Pat Hamilton, Joel Rouns; Eastern Committee Director Luke Anderson, Doug Kallenberger; President Cierra Erickson; Vice President Jacey Fortier; Director at Large Tracey Bolich; Stephanie Rollins, Ladies Breakaway Roping Director; Amy Winter, Ladies Barrel Racing Director; Executive Committee Directors Kortney Diegel, Mandy Bishop

NRA/NWRA Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting held Friday, October 28, 2022 were distributed. A motion was made to approve as written. The motion was seconded and passed.

NRA/NWRA Financial report was distributed. A motion was made to approve the finances for audit. The motion was seconded and passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Awards Program: Theresa Sorlie briefed the NRA/NWRA Board on the 2023 awards program.

NRA/NWRA Finals: Joe Warner updated the NRA/NWRA Board on the 2023 Finals. Joe informed the Boards that there is good momentum and excitement in the valley for the Finals.

Paul Eiker addressed the Boards on the Stock Contractor milage increase. The NRA will pay the NRA Finals Stock contractors \$1.50 per running mile for a semi-gooseneck trailer, or straight truck. A fuel surcharge will be paid if fuel goes over \$5.50. The surcharge amount will be \$0.01 per mile for every \$0.05 over \$5.50.

Judges Program: Travis Sigman informed the NRA/NWRA Board that a Judging Clinic was held during the Montana Circuit Finals Rodeo in January. Travis also

informed the NRA/NWRA Board that the 2023 Judges assignment request have been mailed out to judges.

OLD BUSINESS:

A motion was made to add NWRA Rule R.4.22 After gate is open and judge calls you into arena, you have one (1) minute to get your horse in the arena without using excessive force. If you are unable to do so, it will result in a no time. There is to be only one contestant horse in the arena during the barrel race. If you have another horse or person on foot accompanying you to the arena, they may not enter the arena with you. Motion was seconded and passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made to amend A.3.1 Judges will be paid a minimum of \$125 per performance (slack being considered a performance) by stock contractor or committee. Motion was seconded and passed.

A motion was made to amend F.2.2 The flagger (judge) for each timed event will be selected from among the four judges selected to judge the finals. The event director of the timed events will select the judge to flag each event. Motion was seconded and passed.

A motion was made to amend NRA Rule A.5.16 A contestant is allowed a total of two (2) releases in a rodeo year. Additional releases beyond two (2) will result with a \$150 fine and you are ineligible to compete until the fine is paid. If contestant is releasing out of a rodeo they must notify the NRA office prior to performance or slack they are up in. If no one is available in NRA office contestant must leave voicemail. A contestant who releases shall not be eligible to compete in that event for five (5) days, beginning with the first performance or slack release is used. A contestant who releases in one event may compete in another. Motion was seconded and passed.

A motion was made to amend NWRA Rule A.5.15 A contestant is allowed a total of two (2) releases in a rodeo year. Additional releases beyond two (2) will result with a \$150 fine and you are ineligible to compete until the fine is paid. If contestant is releasing out of a rodeo they must notify the NWRA office prior to performance or slack they are up in. If no one is available in NWRA office contestant must leave voicemail. A contestant who releases shall not be eligible to compete in that event for five (5) days, beginning with the first performance or slack release is used. A contestant who releases in one event may compete in another. Motion was seconded and passed.

Discussion was held regarding adding a time limit in the box for the Ladies Breakaway Roping. A motion was made to add NWRA Rule R.3.10 A one (1) minute time limit will be enforced in the box. The clock will start when the barrier is pinned. It will stop if animal is not cooperating but will start immediately once the animal is cooperating again. The last 10 seconds will be verbally counted down by judge. At the time limit the calf will be let out of the chute. Motion was seconded and passed.

A motion was made to adjourn. The motion was seconded and passed.