

WSHSRA MEETING via Zoom

3/4/2025

Called to order by President Tygh Campbell at 7:01pm

Central Entry update – Diehl spoke up and motioned to move forward with EquestEvent entry system moving forward. Sue 2nd. Tashia has also volunteered to be in charge of the central entry for the spring season at no extra charge to the association. And will help teach anyone interested in the central entry system in the future to make sure they know the process and program before next year.

There was discussion on other programs and costs.

Tygh called for the question. Motion passed.

Tygh mentioned that he has had several people reach out to Tygh and express interest in the central entry position. One of them is Whitney Kerr and she is on the call. Tygh asked her to give a brief overview of her history and background. She has a current 7th grader in the WSHSRA and they are going to be “in this for the long haul”.

501@3 status – Getting finalized now. There’s just a few more things to get done before submitting. Tygh will have this information to the attorney here soon and then the forms can be submitted.

Secretary – Tashia – No new members since the last meeting. She will send an email with screen shots for the new central entry system.

Tiffany – JH members have asked if they still have to sell tickets if they join after fall season. YES, they still have to sell.

National Director – Sue Hart reported that the NCHA is putting on an event for the TOP 20 to compete in a new event. NHSRA is also working on the 5 judge system for nationals.

Scholarships/Online Auction – Diehl has everything online for the senior scholarship information. Gemma updated the website and Tashia sent out an email to the seniors. IbbbyJane doesn’t have any new information for the online auction, but will work with Diehl to get an email drafted up to get things running.

Items so far are: Custom bumper with lights and install, half a beef, Pendleton Roundup package, Noble Shelter package

Diehl has received a few phone calls from senior parents that are not happy that their senior kids are having to sell the extra tickets, but it was because they didn’t know due to the emails going to the kids and not the parents. Diehl explained how the email stuff works and got everything squared away.

Awards – Michele is slowly getting things together for awards. The SSIR jackets, some of them came in and they are incorrect so Michele is sending them back and Carrol is getting them fixed and drop shipping them to the kids.

Michele is going to make sure that every kid that is earning a nationals jacket gets their information to her before they leave state finals.

Spring rodeo bids:

Jackie made a motion to vote via google form and Diehl 2nd. Jules asked if any of our current board members submitted a bid for anything. IbbbyJane is the only one that submitted for announcer and goats. Tygh said that the proper thing to do would be for her to not vote for those 2 positions, but she is able to vote on all of the other contractor positions. Motion passed.

Question was asked if we are doing 2 judges or 3 judges. Tygh believes if they have their PRCA judges card or been to a PRCA judges seminar, then he feels 2 judges would be fine, but if they are not carded then 3 judges would be ideal. Diehl brought up that more eyes is better, and his daughter has flagged herself out several times in the breakaway because she did not get the bell collar catch and the judge missed it. There's discussion on cost for 3 judges, and that not all of our events are PRCA events and those judges may not actually know the proper rules for those events (goat tying for example).

Tygh moves to use a 2 judge system for the state run rodeos. Sue 2nd. Tygh rescinds this motion and Sue 2nd. Tygh moves to use a 2 judge system for all spring rodeos, not including state finals.

Jackie asked IbbbyJane if she would be caring for her goats during the weekend. IbbbyJane said she would have them properly collared and tagged and make sure they are fed and watered properly. IbbbyJane is also assuming that the goat carriers/holders would be assigned.

The discussion of paying for animals and we need to be careful on what we agree on.

State Finals judges – Jules/Diehl moved for 3 judges. Motion passed. Jackie/Tashia 2nd 2 timers. Motion passed

Tashia will build the google form and email it to the full board along with the bid sheet. We need this back ASAP so that Tashia can get back to all of the contractors that did submit bids.

Sponsorship – Becky said there have been more sponsors come in since mid winter meeting and we are still in need of saddle sponsors.

Raffle – Kates daughter is not going to rodeo this spring season, but she does have someone in line to help her get everything taken care of through the end of the year.

Student Board – Reece and the student board are working on getting themes set and getting prom scheduled. Senior prom will be at Coulee City this year.

Gemma will not be at Coulee City to take care of prom as in need of someone to help put the event together. She has reached out on facebook to find a couple moms that may be interested in planning and organizing prom this year. Diehl has volunteered to help out.

State Finals schedule – We will use last years schedule and “tweek” it at our April meeting if we feel necessary.

A proposal from Kristina Baker to not schedule rodeos or spring schedule events that are during the same time as the Icebreaker or any other events. This year we have a cutting event (6 goes) during the same time as the Icebreaker, so families are having to pick which one to go to.

Diehl brought up that it would be a great recommendation, but making it a rule is difficult because of us living in the PNW and our weather.

Challenge of the Champions idea – Charlie Barron and Tygh discussed the idea of having a challenge of the champions for a fundraiser. Walla Walla Frontier Days would highlight the state champions in each of the PRCA rodeo events as the youth of tomorrow. Champions would make an “exhibition run” during the Walla Walla PRCA rodeo. Tygh asked for opinions, and he will continue working on this per the board. He will report back next month.

Jackie – Lots of vendors and working on ambulances for each rodeo. With the amount of vendors at each rodeo, that may cover the cost of the ambulances. Jackie will have a sign up sheet for jobs so there's accountability at each rodeo.

We will need hay at each of the rodeos for the livestock, whether it's donated or we have to pay for it. JR Wood will take care of hay for Yelm and Tygh has a sponsor to donate for state finals, and he will work on Othello and Coulee City as well.

Diehl – Notified a few days ago that the cutting cattle is \$40 per head, and not \$25 per head as previously discussed.

Julie Gray – RCH is scheduled for the last weekend in March and 1st weekend in April at the Hart Ranch, facility donated.

Kelli Broeckel – We need to discuss in the future about updating our system to the same target system as the national level. \$1650-\$1850 to get started, which includes a laptop to use the program. Kelli needs to order targets to get us through our season. Jules says go ahead and order a box of 500, which will get us through the season.

Adjourned at 9:22pm

Next monthly meeting will be Tuesday 4/1 via Zoom @ 7pm

Tashia Dean - WSHSRA Secretary