

KPRA Meeting Minutes
Zoom Meeting
Tuesday, February 15, 2022
7:00 PM (CT)

EXECUTIVE BOARD in attendance - Leon Winfrey, Austin Hawkins, Melissa Wanger, Justin Russell, Spencer Scott, Heather Westbrook

Meeting called to order: 7:03 p.m. by Leon

Review of minutes from January meeting – posted to the website “Business” page

GUEST

Garrett Panzer, KPRA Judges Clinic Update

Leon talked with Jerry Lynn and he had not responded to the clinic announcement because he was waiting for the date to be posted as he could attend either weekend. Garrett thinks they will be able to go ahead with the clinic due to the response after the cancellation post went out. Garrett feels we will move ahead with hosting the last weekend of Feb. at the Holiday Inn or second choice La Quinta. May have to increase tuition to \$75 to cover Steve’s expenses. The KPRA can pay a couple hundred. Leon feels that all our judges really need to attend for updates on the rule changes, etc. Justin questioned if they are guaranteed a rodeo if you attend the clinic. Garrett doesn’t feel a judge would be guaranteed a rodeo, but would have a better chance at being approved to judge a KPRA 1st approved rodeo. The individual would still have to judge 2 KPRA 1st approved rodeos and hold a current card to qualify to judge the finals.

REPORTS

Secretary Reports: Not much has changed with financials, other than memberships starting to come in and Heather’s salary going out.
1099’s for 2021 sent out Jan. 28th.
2022 Membership and coming in slow and steady.

OLD BUSINESS

Drive to Zero update: Heather met with Doug from Drive to Zero, we are good to go for 2022 but their federal funding will change in 2023 which may reduce or stop our funding all together.

Finalist Coats: Leather jackets vs. Denim – Heather will get sample jackets coming for both the denim and the leather for board members to look at in McCook and Goodwell. We will need to order them early to have the quantity that we need for finals. Heather asked what the feeling is on getting sponsorship to cover the cost of leather versus denim. Spencer asked if anyone talked with Lott Motors in Dodge City. Leon feels that it's hard to have them and Lewis Motors but doesn't feel it would hurt to contact them. Spencer mentioned that Lott is a large sponsor for Dodge City days and he trades vehicles there so he is going to contact Jeff.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Upcoming KPRA Rodeo in Goodwell, OK – March 26th
Austin is going to round up steers for the steer wrestling. He has some leads and will start making some phone calls. Leon talked with Robert Etbauer on calves and Deke with the arena will have team roping cattle. The arena does not have any

barrels or a timer system so we will need to provide our own. Justin has a timer system and thinks he can get them there. We need people to run the chutes and the neck ropes. Leon has someone in mind for the neck rope. We will also need timer personnel. Justin will ask his wife and another timer that he uses. Austin will ask Jamie. *Per Austin, Jamie will do it.* We also still need an announcer.

Leon explained the way the rodeo will run with the top ten in the second performance, along with some of the expenses associated with the building, etc. Leon has also got some sponsorship from the Casino in Guymon and is looking for additional sponsors. We are trying to get a little bit of a crowd to the rodeo, so we are promoting with NCAA watch party in the arena bar.

2. Leon is going to meet with Kingfisher committee on Wednesday night. They have a good open rodeo but a few committee members would like to go to a sanctioned event. Dale with the IPRA will be there, along with a couple different stock contractors. Justin feels that they would be a good rodeo to get on the same weekend as Seiling, OK or Cherokee, OK so there are more option for members to rodeo in the area on a given weekend. Spencer thinks Kingfisher would be a good committee to get on board with the KPRA.

Next zoom meeting will be Monday, March 14th at 7 p.m.

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn by Austin and seconded by Justin at 8:22 p.m. cst.