

WYHSRA Fall Meeting 2023

The meeting was called to order on Saturday, September 23, 2023, with the Pledge and Prayer. Those present were Shelly Thompson, Roger Jones, Heidi Justus, Burt Reno, Jeff Longwell, Shawn Lesmeister, Nick Nichols, Scott Arthun, Ken Persson, Keyton Hayden, Cooper Justus, Hadley Thompson, Brenson Bartlett, Cathryn Vineyard, Khloe Nichols, Slater Jones, Morgan Watts, Abigail Olson, Braxton Condos, Cody Hayden, Micah Keogh, Jacob Cook, Adeline Norstegaard, Trigg Thompson, Truett Jaure, Aiden Ruby, Kayley Hutchison, Carter Hutchison, Conner Weese, Zach Davis, and Cody Waite.

Minutes: Nick Nichols made a motion to approve the minutes; Ken Perssons seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

National Director: The board discussed out-of-state members and requirements for paying. Roger Jones made a motion to include in the spring letter to clubs making sure they understand that out of state contestants must adhere to the same rules for drawing out as our members; Burt Reno seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Marketing Director: Scott Arthun visited with ND and how they handle their marketing director and is going to get their info for the next meeting.

Midwinter Meeting: This year's mid-winter meeting is in Branson Missouri January 16-20. Ken Perrsons made amotion to set aside \$1000 for any student director to go; Zack Davis seconded. Motion carried.

2024 State Finals: The students need to get together and decide what awards they are going to do. The students were reminded about their responsibility for the awards. Thorpe Thompson will take care of the judges for state, the students would like to see if Clint Foster will come back for pictures, Heidi Justus, Cody Waite, and Barry Hayden will take care of the RCH and Cutting judges, Roger Jones has the cattle lined up, and timers were discussed, and we will see who is available.

2025/2026 State Finals: The bids for location need to go out now and we will decide on those at the February meeting. Then stock bids will go out so we can decide on them at State Finals. The board would like a generic bid to go out. Each location can list what they have available and the costs and then the board will vote.

Spring Schedule: the board wonders about the possibility of moving 2 of the spring rodeos to fall so we have 5 and 5.

JH: Running the JH with the HS was discussed lot of pros and cons to it. Biggest concern was the days getting to long and getting home late on Sunday. The board is going to visit around about this and make a final decision in February.

Raffle: Ken has put in for commissioner's license for us. We will have to wait and see at this point. He gave out quite a few tickets to students this weekend. Chad is working on the gun.

Judges Seminar: Scott Arthun is working on getting a couple set up.

Shooting Sports: Went well this fall.

Misc: Connor Weese brought up the dogging steers and how they are not great. The board advised him to visit with the clubs this spring to see who their contractors are and then visit with the contractors and the students feel they can put together a set of steers that would be more even. Morgan Watts brought up having a person in the arena with grain during the goat tying like Idaho does. The board wants to think about this and discuss it further in February. Brenson Bartlett brought up the pickup and bull fighting list for both HS and JH. Brenson Bartlett made a motion to have a letter composed and have it and a list of bull fighters and pick up men sent out to the clubs with the spring letter; Jeff Longwell seconded. Motion carried.