

2026 Spring WYHSRA Board Meeting February 1, 2026

The meeting began with the pledge and prayer. Those present Scott Arthun, Thorpe Thompson, Dixie Huxtable, JR Crozier, Jeff Longwell, Shawn Lesmeister, Brian Coxbill, Casey Hoffman, Dustin Martinson, Troy Tillard, Tyler Jolly, Mike Ruby, Ken Perrson, Hadley Thompson, Taylor Hernadez, Shayda Lesmeister, Josh Keogh, Jim Coxbill, Ty Scarbrough, and Shelly Thompson.

Minutes: Brian Coxbill made a motion to accept the Fall Wheatland Minutes; Josh Keogh second. Motion carried.

Financials: Dixie Huxtable talked about getting everything going. We are going to add a W-9 to the State Packet so end of the year is not so difficult. Ken Peersons made a motion to have all financial information got to Dixie Huxtable and to get Dustin Martinson a credit card due to being the National Director; Brian Coxbill seconded the motion. Motion carried.

National Director: Dustin Martinson just got back from mid-winter meeting and went over highlights of the info that he learned. Once the updated rule changes are sent out we will look at them and get the info out if needed.

Marketing Director: Jess was unable to attend but let Shelly know she is working on a couple grants as well as corporate sponsorships.

Queen: Everything is going well. She attended mid-winter meeting. Has 3-4 girls interested in the contest. It will be held at Petersons Barn. Her mother, Laurie, and Dustin are working contest info.

Student President: Hadley reminded the student board about the fundraising and new due date of April 15. Shelly asked several questions on awards and costs. The board went over several things and confirmed what Shelly should order. The student directors did agree to raise \$2,750 this year so they could do BEX glasses for reserve champions. Dustin Martinson made a motion to keep the awards amounts consistent thru all of the events; Shawn Lesmeister seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Board Vacancies: Shelly went over the vacancies. We will have 2 for sure possibly 3. The board application is online. Applications are due May 24th.

2027 & 2028 State Finals: We went over location bids for state finals. We received 3 bids. Only 2 were financially feasible for us. The board voted by ballot and it was tied. The board revoted and the votes went to Buffalo.

2026 State Finals: We will have Angie Weber for the banquet again this year. The board visited in length about the cutting and RCH and the possibility of doing it in Buffalo at the

regular rodeo to save expense. They are going to do some looking into this before we send out any contracts. Leesa Bellus agreed to do stalls and camping for us again this year. Shawn Lesmeister will do the stock help for state finals. Shelly will work on the JH kids. We will reserve a block of rooms at the SureStay Motel. Entry fees will stay the same again this year @ \$150 and event plus the \$50 Admin fee. JR Crozier will look into getting the office again. The legion would like to do the breakfast again for the association and the association agreed to pay the kitchen charge for them. National camping spots for JH and HS were gone over. We know that with Nationals not being in WY we will be short spots. The board agreed to keep the current policy for camping.

2027 & 2028 State Finals Stock Bids: We will start taking stock bids with the location of Buffalo. All stock bids will be due May 24th.

JH: State will be in Gillette again. We will send them \$ to help with this.

Spring Schedule: Looks to be the same. Dustin will send out info to club secretary's with a due date of March 1. The board would like the judges to do a rough stock safety check in Rock Springs.

Clubs: The following will look into Arizona and Colorado as they do this. We would like to have things ready for the new season. (J Longwell, T Thompson, C Hoffman, T Tillard)

Raffle: Things are going well. Ken wanted to remind the kids to talk to their local legions. They want to support our kids. Tickets will be due in Gillette now in order to get the credit for State Finals. We did not secure a governor's license however, it looks very promising for next year. Jeff Longwell made a motion to pay Ken \$1200 for rooms and expenses; Shawn Lesmeister seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Shooting Sports: They will be doing two rounds at State Finals this year.

Judges Seminar: We did not have any interest. We will be skipping this year.

Cuttings & RCH: Winter cuttings are taking place.