

Manitoba Rodeo Cowboys Association

2018 Annual General Meeting

October 27, 2018

CKLQ Room – Keystone Center

- Only MRCA Members in good standing are allowed to vote
- MRCA Rodeo committees are allowed one vote per committee

Meeting called to order at 10:30am by President Dan Tober. D. Tober welcomed everyone to the Annual General Meeting.

Adopt 2017 MRCA AGM Minutes – E. Park read minutes from 2017 AGM. No errors or omissions.

MOTION: E. Park made motion to accept 2017 MRCA AGM minutes, 2nd by A. Potvin. CARRIED

2017 MRCA Financial Overview Report – E. Park reviewed a financial overview – this was not a complete report since the books do not close until December 31. There were no questions or concerns.

MOTION: Kelly Oremba made motion to accept financial overview as presented. 2nd by M. Fraser. CARRIED.

2018 Season Review

Dan Tober gave season review. 2018 started with a new Rodeo Management system, program has worked well with a few growing pains but overall was a fairly smooth transition. The MRCA saw 237 memberships purchased. MRCA had 9 lead approved rodeos with 27 overall events over the season. Gainsborough was able to host their first full approved rodeo after their successful fundraiser rodeo last year. It is good to see the Fundraiser rodeo helping rodeos move forward to host a full rodeo. This season with location issues, it was decided to offer the double points option to Ashern in an effort to help them get more entries, they saw an increase in entries and two good full perfs. This is our 3rd year in our Partnership with Provincial Ex and the Manitoba Ag Ex event – this has been a very successful partnership and the MRCA looks forward to moving forward in our conversations for future contract with them. D. Tober touched back to a point from the 2017 MRCA AGM Minutes concerning the Keystone Center debt – all principal has been paid and we have reached out after reviewing invoices and payments to settle the interest, we have yet to have this meeting with Keystone but continue to make every effort to keep the lines of communication open.

Motions:

- 1) **Add \$10 to each entry fee as a Finals Prize Fund to increase added money at finals. Submitted by Brittany Forsyth.**

DISCUSSION: Brittany Forsyth would like to see \$10 added to each event entry fees to allow for an increase in payout at finals. This would be then distributed accordingly to each event for Finals. Discussed the cost effect to 3 event contestants. D. Tober presented numbers based off of this years RIDE fee numbers, would be an approximate increase of about \$13000 in total.

MOTION: Brittany Forsyth made motion to add \$10 prize fund charge to each event entered per rodeo to be applied to each specific event at the Manitoba Finals Rodeo. 2nd by Justin Miller. CARRIED

2) Make Tour Points the same as regular season points instead of top 4 only. Submitted by Brittany Forsyth.

DISCUSSION: Brittany Forsyth explained that she would like to see the points payout the same points as the regular season standings. IE if the barrel racing pays 8 points, the tour would pay 8 points. This would reflect for each event as per the points payout schedule used. This would see the tour go deeper into the contestants. Would remain only paying points to MRCA cardholders.

MOTION. Brittany Forsyth made motion to align Tour points payout to the regular season points payout. 2nd. By B. Switzer. CARRIED

2018 MRCA Board Elections

President: Dan Tober has completed his second term as President and will be stepping down. D. Tober called for nominations for President.

NOMINATIONS:

Anthony Potvin nominated Mark Fraser. Mark Fraser accepted.

D. Tober called for nominations to close.

Mark Fraser is President by acclamation

Vice President: This position has been vacant for the past year. D. Tober called for nominations for Vice President.

NOMINATIONS:

Brittany Forsyth nominated Justin Miller. Justin Miller accepted.

Justin Miller nominated Brittany Forsyth. Brittany Forsyth declined.

Ben Switzer nominated Justin Bridgeman. Justin Bridgeman declined.

Dawn Vandersteen nominated Chad Stiles. Chad Stiles declined.

D. Tober called for nominations to close.

Justin Miller is Vice President by acclamation.

Event Directors:

Barrel Racing - Shayna McCannell is stepping down after many years. Dan Tober called for nominations for Barrel Racing Director.

NOMINATIONS:

Shayna McCannell nominated Laura Stokes. Laura Stokes accepted. Dan Tober called for nominations to close.

Laura Stokes is Barrel Racing Director by acclamation

Timed Event - Justin Bridgeman is stepping down after many years. Dan Tober called for nominations for Timed Event Director.

NOMINATIONS:

Justin Bridgeman nominated Mike Leepart. Mike Leepart accepted. Dan Tober called for nominations to close.

Mike Leepart is Timed Event Director by acclamation

Rough Stock Director – Dan Tober called for nominations for Rough Stock Director.

NOMINATIONS:

Matt Switzer nominated Anthony Potvin. Anthony Potvin accepted.

Dan Tober called for nominations to close.

Anthony Potvin is Rough Stock Director by acclamation.

Minor/Optional Events Director – Dan Tober called for nominations for Minor Optional Events Director.

NOMINATIONS:

Kevin Smith nominated Dallas Boles. Dallas Boles accepted.

Dan Tober called for nominations to close.

Dallas Boles is Minor/Optional Events Director by acclamation

Committee Representative: Mark Fraser has been Committee Rep, there is normally 2 positions. Dan Tober called for nominations for Committee Rep.

NOMINATIONS:

Kevin Smith nominated Brittany Forsyth. Brittany Forsyth accepted.

Dan Tober called for nominations to close.

Brittany Forsyth will take one Committee Representative position.

Directors At Large: There are 3 – 1 Yr terms and 3 – 2 Yr terms. Dan Tober called for nominations
1 Yr Terms

Ben Switzer nominated Ty Paton. Ty Paton accepted

Laura Stokes nominated Leighton Schroeder. Leighton Schroeder accepted

Justin Bridgeman nominated Dawn Rae Gray. Dawn Rae Gray accepted.

Topics of Discussion

- Add a treasurer position.
- Continue with Annual General Meeting at Finals
- Provincial Ex Partnership – Advertising? How do we help increase attendance? Help with advertising and getting the event out there.
- Finals Committee – Create a Finals Committee could have MRCA reps and Prov Ex reps.
- Negotiations with Provincial Ex
- Party in the Dirt at Finals / Concert – to create an event that people attend and offer deal on rodeo tickets? Need to give them something or reason to be here
- Rough Stock Events – bring back saddles, look at conflicting finals, cheaper roughstock cards, why are they not buying MRCA cards?

Dallas Boles made motion to adjourn meeting at 11:54AM.