

**Minutes**  
**NDHSRA/NDJHD Board of Directors**  
**November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023, 11 am MT**  
**Dickinson Middle School**

- I. Call to Order
  - a. Roll call of Members: Kasey Erickson, Brent Earsley, Chet Johnson, Croix Johnson, Sam Arndorfer, Randy Hilzendeger, Nancy Klatt, Rya Riehl, Cj Boldt, Chad Ellingson, Kathy Mavity, Dawn Martin, Cody Frei, Chesney Gjermundson, Clancy Hornberger, Russ Homelvig, JB Pauley, Jess Niematalo, Chad Miller, Cory Hilzendeger, Michelle Rotenberger
- II. Recommended Action
  - a. Additions to Agenda: Russ moved to approve agenda, Chad E 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF.
- III. Approve Prior Minutes: Kasey moved to approve August minutes, Ryan 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF.
- IV. Business
  - a. Reports
    - i. National Director: Randy mentioned that this is a rules year at Mid-Winter meetings. If there are rules we would like to send forth that has to be done soon. Randy would like us to send the new National director to Mid-Winter meetings.
    - ii. Secretary
      1. HS & JH: Michelle reported that the HS has 160 members. She also made the board aware that the host for our ARTS program that handles the entries & results no longer exists. Brian has been working with her to get a new system in place. The new host may incur additional expenses to the association. \*Cori reported that JH has 80 members. Kids have their national paperwork done. She wanted the board to be aware that there are Weatherby Raffle Tickets available.
    - iii. Marketing
      1. HS & JH: Stacy & Kristi were unable to attend but had made all marketing reports available prior to the meeting for review.

- iv. Treasurer
  - 1. HS & JH: Stacy was unable to attend the meeting but provided financial reports prior to the meeting for review.
- v. Scheduling & Personnel (Sam) Valley City will not be hosting a JH spring 2024 rodeo. Parshall would like to move up to April 20/21. New Town has some interest. The committee will finish confirming 2024 dates. Motion by Chad E to approve the Spring 2024 schedule as presented & give the committee the authority to confirm Fall 2024 schedule by December 15<sup>th</sup>, CJ 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF. Questions: where will the new JH rodeo be and who will be the host? Comments & further discussion was had that we did not have many rodeos east of the river. Motion by Chad E to allow scheduling committee to finalize the Spring JH rodeo date with the preference for a committee hosted rodeo, Dawn 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF. \* Michelle gave her resignation mentioning that the family business is taking up a lot of her time. \* Cori also gave her resignation & said it was time to spend time with family. Dawn moved to advertise both positions from December 1<sup>st</sup> to January 15<sup>th</sup> with the interview committee being the Exec board. Ryan R 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF. Michelle & Cori will be available for questions. An additional discussion will be had at the February meeting about training.
- vi. Fundraising & Membership (Cody) Senior party will be in Killdeer. Chad E, Kathy & Dawn will be a part of this. \* Last year HS spent \$2000 on the National basket, and it did not sell for the sticker value. Stacy reached out to Gary at Nationals and asked if the \$2000 could just be a cash donation, which it can. Randy & Cori mentioned to make sure the amount donated still makes ND eligible for scholarship dollars. CJ moved we make a cash donation rather than a basket that will meet the minimum requirements for scholarships, Kathy 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF. JH will proceed as in the past in which families donate items.
- vii. State Finals & Queen (Kasey) Presented the SF schedule for review. HS Bud Sperry scholarships will be held @ 4 pm Thursday. \* For JH State Finals it was asked if the short go

could start an hour earlier. Cori will check and bring recommendation to February meeting.

- viii. Finance & Budget (Ryan) Discussion was had on Covid money that needed to be allocated. Chad moved that in 2024, 2025 & 2026 \$500 will be awarded to a male & a female that were members in 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade at the time of the funds receipt, Kathy 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF. \* Cori has not been reimbursed for mileage from Fall of 2021-2023. Cori is asked to submit mileage for reimbursement at the February meeting. \* JH Judges & HS/JH Timers pay was discussed at length. Sam made a motion to increase the JH judges pay from \$300 to \$350 and the minimum pay for HS/JH timers from \$100 to \$200, Brent 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF. \* Discussion on entry fees needed to help cover the cost of the stock. Sam moved that the JH increase to match the HS fees and that HS/JH barrels & poles be increased to \$30, Chad E 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF. \* Chet moved to leave the \$5 committee fee on the HS State finals contestant fees, Kasey 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF. \* Sam moved to put HS fundraising money in a 6-month CD per the committee's recommendation, Dawn 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF.
- ix. Rules & Safety (Randy) Randy relayed some comments regarding the ponies being used for JH rough stock, among them being the safety of the kids. Much discussion was had regarding the pros and cons of using the ponies. Chad M motioned to remove the ponies as an option for JH stock, Ched 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9 in favor, 7 against, motion passes. Kasey moved that the removal of the ponies' option go into effect in the Fall of 2024, Russ 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF. \* Chad M brought up the current rake rule being no more than a maximum of 10. It has become a safety issue at some rodeos and a decision that is sometimes hard to make. Kenzie moved that the rake rule be changed to no more than a maximum of 6 rather than 10, Clancy 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF. \* Sam moved to implement the sullen animal rule that was used at the HS state finals for all HS rodeos, Brent 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF. \* Randy discussed a rule that was implemented at the Badlands Challenge regarding a rerun for a poor animal. No action was taken at this time and was

tabled for possible future discussion. \* Is there a need for Livestock requirements? There is a document that was put together a few years ago that was not put into place at that time. The committee will review that document and bring a recommendation to the February meeting. \* Rule for Mid-Winter meetings: Rayn R moved to present to Nationals that each state can bring as many points earners as their association allows but must designate their 4 National team point earners, Kathy 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF.

- b. Code of Conduct Letters Need Signed: done except for a few not in attendance.
  - c. Website: we have been sent a mockup that is ready to go live as soon as Cori, Michelle, Stacy & Kristi have reviewed the information.
  - d. National Director Position: Sam moved that the association hire Craig Maley as our new National Director, effective immediately, Kathy 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF. Craig will be asked to go to Mid-Winter meetings. This is a two-year probationary period. Michelle will let the Nationals know of the change.
  - e. HS & JH Secretary Positions: Discussed under Scheduling & Personnel committee.
- V. Other Business for future work by committees
  - VI. Future Meeting Date: February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024, in Bismarck
  - VII. Adjournment: Sam moved, Chet 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF.