



California ACTRA Board Meeting Summary of Minutes 2/16/23



President JT Bradley called the meeting to order at 7:00PM

Secretary Daphne VanStavern took role.

The following directors were present: Willie Worley, Billy Fulton, Aaron Bean, Hunter Lowry, Sandy Inderbitzen, Marlin Russum, Larry McGrady, Billy Armendariz, Hank Brown, Eric Cozzitorto, Lisa Jones, Bruce Elliott, Wayne Hicks, Ken Paddock, Bill Horner, Rikki Perezchica, Tres Porter, Jessica Cardoza, Karen Russell, George Porter, Jim Waggoner, Mike Redfeairn, Dominic Patino, Paul Mullins, Donald Ornellas.

There were no guests present

Minutes from the 1/19 meeting were presented and approved.

Financial report-January 2023 financial documents were presented and approved.

National Director Report-There was an in-person national meeting in January. The directors reported that it was an extremely positive and productive meeting. The national board has committed to a 3-year contract with the Reno Livestock Events Center and the Nugget. The rate for stalls has increased and they are trying to find ways not to pass that extra cost onto the members. Most sponsors have renewed their contract. Heel-o-Matic has not renewed. We need to do more for our sponsors. One idea is to brand the ropings. The Super 7 will now be the Cal-Custom Super 7. The Wrangler Patriot Shirt program will continue but will move to the #5.5 roping. A new announcer and a new webcast will be needed this year. They will work on their budget after the cattle bids are chosen next week. A national logo has been selected and should be used exclusively to bring uniformity to the organization. It was decided that membership cards will now be digital. The national office is working on a system to have a card in your apple wallet that will update automatically as a member's number and membership status changes. They reviewed the survey that was sent to members. A few changes based on that survey include changing the national finals to a 5 second barrier. Another included adding a barrier clock to the outside arena in Reno so that members can more easily assess the differences in the arena.

Arena Updates-V7 asked for permission to host the same out-of-region ropings that he has produced in Gilroy for the past few years. Eric was approved to host the ropings on Tuesdays in June and will be approved for more dates once he confirms specific dates. The Board clarified that they would prefer specific dates from producers when requesting permission for out-of-region ropings.

SoCal Arena-the Chavez Family from Menifee has applied to become an ACTRA arena in region 6. In an effort to help them build a membership base in the area, they will be allowed to offer day passes at their first four ropings. Roping on a day pass does not count as a qualifier towards the Finals even if the member buys a full membership later in the season.

V7 was approved to host a member's only jackpot in King City on March 24th after the high school rodeo.

2023 CA Finals-Membership-We currently have 708 paid members and 811 total members. We are working to ensure that people don't rope without a membership. Lists are sent out periodically of people who have roped without a current membership.

Old Business-ACTRA equipment is still stored at the Chowchilla Fairgrounds. We should get this moved since we aren't hosting our Finals there.

New Business-The national office has asked that all of our directors sign an NDA to ensure that ACTRA business stays confidential. Daphne will send this out to all directors for signatures.

2023 State Finals-Cattle Bids were received for Paso Robles from V7 and S Bar J. Positive feedback was given about both producers. The board selected Steve Simon's bid for 1-year steers only for the Finals in Paso Robles. We received three bids for the NorCal Finals in Corning. The board selected V7's bid for 1 year all steers for the NorCal Finals. We received two bids for breakaway calves. They were both extremely expensive and wouldn't allow us to produce the same breakaway event that we have for the past few years without losing significant money. The decision was made to eliminate the breakaway at our Finals due to the extreme cost it takes to produce the one roping. JT will notify all bidders of the bid selections.

A document was shared with options for the format of the State Finals in Paso Robles. The Finals will start with a half day on Wednesday, September 27th showcasing the #8.5 and the Open. Thursday, will have the #10.5 Hdcp, Century Hdcp, Mixed Hdcp. Friday will be Super 7 Hdcp Down, and All-Girl Hdcp. A wine tasting and banquet will follow on Friday evening. Saturday is the #5.5 and #3. Sunday will be the #4. The fees in the #8.5 and #10.5 will change from 4/\$75 to 4/\$100 and the cattle charge will be lowered to 29%. The All-Girl will change to a 3/\$50 Pick 1/Draw 1, the Mixed will be 4/\$60 and the Century 4/\$75. All other ropings will keep the same entry fee structure as the previous year.

Format options for the NorCal Finals and SoCal Finals will be sent in an email.

Catastrophe Fund-Steve Simons donated his \$450 arena operator incentive money back to the catastrophe fund. The board thanked him for his generosity.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:06.

The next meeting will be March 16th