

Minutes of the Montana Cutting Horse Association (MCHA)

Board Call In

08-19, 2021

Zoom Call In Meeting

President Will Nuttall called meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Directors Present- Kathy, Michelle, Alison, Roy, Cindy, Kelsey

Not present-Wylie and Nancy

Others Present- Secretary/Treasurer Kelsie Harbert

First item on the agenda and direct point of the phone call pertained to the 50% rule. President Will Nuttall said there had been a lot of talk and concern regarding the 50% rule. He asked we put the matter to bed and make a final decision. Michelle stated that it just isn't working, that the only solution is to abolish and to go with money earned. Kathy said the spreadsheet spoke volumes regarding the outcome of attendance and of people who even qualified for 50%. Kathy said to rescind the 50 % rule. She stated that it was made with good intentions. Kathy added it seems to be the precedent now that traveling out of state is necessary. She also stated this was not put into place by law; it was a board decision that can be rescinded. Michelle made a motion to rescind the 50 % rule for eligibility for year-end awards and make it eligibility for awards by money earned. Kathy seconded. Motion passed. None opposed. Secretary/Treasurer Kelsie asked about how to clarify and explain to membership regarding rescinding rule and how to notify members correctly. Kathy and Kelsie were to work on wording of a notification to be used.

Second item on agenda is year-end details. Alison is doing the banquet and is willing to plan hors d'oeuvres and snacks for membership meeting. It was planned by the BOD that the general membership meeting will be Friday, 30 minutes after the conclusion of the show. We spoke regarding nominations and replacement for our board. Moved onto the necessity of replacement be on the west side. That it would be nice to get other parts of the state included. The Board discussed bylaws and term limits clarifications. Tanya and Cody were both nominated to assume Alison's role due to her resignation. Discussion was made regarding the two nominees. It was reiterated about the time and dedication that it takes to be on the board and make productive events. The BOD decided to do an electronic vote on Alison's replacement via constant contact and get back with results. It will be notified to everyone seeing there were issues with these specific emails going to spam/junk files in the past. Will moved onto Kim assay award details. Nancy stated she had ordered the award. It was discussed about the presentation and that a write-up needs to be made about the award winners. Michelle has taken on this task to put something together. Rookie of the year has been ordered and assigned. It was awarded to the member who has won most money from 0 to highest money earned during this season's competition.

President Will Nuttall voiced his concern again over the open horse of the year and non pro horse of the year. He stated it needs to be most money won for the year, not a vote.

The re-run shootout was discussed regarding any items needing to be finalized. Kelsey Fraser and Michelle will get ahold of Cody Lee and Rob Fraser to do the Calcutta and the announcing.

The Board stressed the necessity to accumulate good nominations for our board. Nomination suggestions are to be taken to Roy Oliver and his task team. The Board went over the 30 day notification and the bylaw change that needs to be posted on the website. We all agreed that it will go out as soon as possible.

Nancy made a motion to adjourn the meeting Alison seconded it.

Meeting adjourned at 5:42