

## April 2011 CYRA Board Meeting Minutes

The April Board meeting was called to order by President Nick Robbins at 7:06 pm at the Citizens State Bank in Paola, KS. Board members present were Nick, Rod, Jeff, Carol, Angie, Jake, Chad, Sam.

Carol presented the updated treasurers report. Ending balance was \$7, 923.75. Detailed report attached to minutes. Carol stated that she received the close out check from Sam from the previous CYRA account in the amount of \$1,530. Rod moved to approve the treasurer's report, seconded by Jake. Motion passed.

The minutes of last month's board meeting were read by Angie. Carol moved to approve the minutes. Chad seconded. Motion passed.

Kate from Wild West Webs discussed with the Board questions we had asked regarding updating the website, email addresses, cost, hosting site, etc. She stated she would rebuild the site for a discounted rate of \$199 with an additional \$60 for hosting per year. If we wanted her to do the updating she would charge \$15 hourly. She stated that she was giving us a discount on the rebuilding so that she could become a CY sponsor. She also suggested adding Twitter and Face book to the site for easier updates to be sent out in mass. The members and parents would need to sign up for those updates but then it would be a faster way to get information out to members in case of rodeo cancellation, time changes, etc. She stated she would have access to add pictures to the site and have unlimited pages and the capabilities of having 15 email addresses. Rod moved to hire Kate to rebuild the CY site. Seconded by Sam. Motion passed. The Board decided to have two Board members be the contact to work with Kate on the new website. Carol and Angie will work with Kate to get the site up and running.

Nick stated that Ottawa would be willing to have us host the Fair rodeo along with any other dates. The charge is \$200 for lights/arena per day and to have a half million dollar insurance policy in place. CY will work the rodeo and keep the gate and pay the stock contractor for stock charge and fuel for the July 13<sup>th</sup> rodeo.

Jake from High Stakes stated that he did not have an official date for the rodeo in Perry at this time but he should in a few days after they have their meeting. He said that the Pastor of that church was concerned with CY having drama at the rodeo if they hosted it there. Jake stated he assured them he has not had any problems with the CY rodeo's he has put on and they felt reassured with that.

Peggy from Rawhide stated that the Baptist Church group that came down last summer was thrilled with the rodeo and would like to be able to come to another rodeo this summer. The Board asked Peggy if she was planning to produce any rodeos this spring and summer. Peggy stated she was there to see what we wanted. The Board told her we would like for her to produce three 2 day rodeos with the possibility of having a fundraiser event the Saturday evenings of those rodeos. We asked if she had any dates in mind or any sanction forms. Peggy stated that she had some in mind but no sanction forms yet and she did not want to give us dates at that time because she was unsure of what she was going to do. The Board stated that we have asked her several times to get us

sanction forms as we want our schedule to be set and if she is not going to produce any rodeos that we need to look for other dates and contractors. Peggy gave us “tentative dates” and stated she was unsure if she would have those. Those dates were:

May 28, 29  
June 11, 12  
July 9, 10  
August 6, 7

We thanked Peggy for those tentative dates and urged her to submit sanction forms for those dates ASAP as the Board would like to have the schedule finalized.

Rod stated that he will have the rulebook done and printed by the next rodeo. He also stated he will have a print out of the points available at the next rodeo at Lone Wolf.

Nick discussed the Tough Enough to Wear Pink rodeo we will be having at Lone Wolf on June 26<sup>th</sup>. He had looked into where we could donate the proceeds and stated that numerous cancer societies kept the majority of the donation. To be a sanctioned rodeo with the Tough Enough to Wear Pink Association we would have to buy \$250 worth of merchandise from them. It was discussed that we would be able to sell those items at the rodeo and make that money back along with a small profit. Nick stated he thought we should have a committee for this event. Nick, Jeff and Angie will be on the committee.

Rod stated that he spoke with the owner of the Fort Scott Sonic regarding sonic cards. He said we could purchase them for \$5 and sell them for \$10 if we were interested.

It was discussed to have a card for the members to all sign for Alex Umphenour. The Board thought this would be a nice gesture and help her to a speedy recovery. We will have a card at the next rodeo for members to sign.

Nick stated the Board needed to move to Executive Session to discuss some things. Executive session began at 8:32 pm and adjourned at 8:47.

The Board decided that the Finals this year will be held at the Ottawa fairgrounds on August 19-21. CY will produce the rodeo and will send out bids for stock, fuel cost, bull fighters, insurance and back pen help. CY will work and keep the gate and vote on judges and pick up men. The deadline will be June 1 for bids. It was discussed to include the announcer in on the bid. It was discussed that we have the announcement equipment and can try to find a volunteer to announce to save money for the awards. After much discussion it was moved by Chad to NOT include the announcer in the bid. Seconded by Angie. Motion passed.

The Board discussed the July 13<sup>th</sup> sanction form from High Stakes for stock, bullfighters, insurance and fuel. CY will produce the rodeo and keep the gate and entry fees. Rod moved to approve the sanction form, seconded by Jeff. Motion passed.

Rod moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Chad. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:01 pm.