

**BRITISH COLUMBIA RODEO ASSOCIATION  
2017 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
Saturday October 14, 2017  
10:00 am  
Quesnel & District Senior Center, Quesnel, BC**

**Meeting Minutes**

Meeting called to order at 10:12 am by the President

56 Members in attendance

1. President's Report ~ Gord Puhallo

It has been a challenging year with the floods and fires, thank you to all who made it today. Thank you to all that sold Polaris tickets, we did good and the raffle was a success even with some rodeos unfortunately getting cancelled. Thank you to the Nechako Valley Rodeo Association for hosting the 2017 BCRA Polaris finals, it was very well run.

2. 2016 AGM Meeting Minutes

**MOTION: Motion by Kelly Walls to adopt the 2016 AGM meeting minutes as presented. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Deana Lloyd. All in favor.**

3. Financial Report by Laura James ~ all members were given current financials. Laura touched based that income and expenses were both down due to the wildfires this summer. The raffle did well considering cancelled rodeos where our raffle booth would have done really well. Raffle ticket sales were approximately \$43,000, which is approx. \$1000 less than last year. Sponsorship was a bit lower this year, again I believe it is from the challenging summer so many people faced. Without the banquet expenses, the BCRA is sitting really well with approximately \$97,000 as the bottom line.

**MOTION: Motion by Earl Call to adopt the financials as presented. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Patti Gerhardi. All in favor.**

4. Sponsorship Report ~ As Laura mentioned, sponsorship was a bit down this year. The Polaris raffle went well. Things are looking well for Polaris to be on board again for the 2018 season.
5. 2017 Finals Review by Brenda Ferguson of NVRA.

Thank you to competitors for coming. Finals went over fairly smooth. NVRA awarded buckles to go around winners each day and some buckles are coming in for the ties. They made some money, which is good. The reaction from the community, was well received.

6. Rodeo Committee Reports ~ Open to all committee in attendance

- a) Quesnel ~ Mel Peterson. Unfortunately, the 2017 Quesnel Rodeo was cancelled due to the wildfires. Our sponsors have agreed that the money will be towards 2018 rodeo. Looking forward to a great year
  - b) Williams Lake ~ Kelly Walls. Everything went really well and thank you to all the competitors for coming to our rodeo.
  - c) Barriere ~ Carmen Ross. Thank you Laura James for continuing to work through all the challenges this year, thank you to the cowboys that came to our rodeo. North Thompson Agri-plex had 5000 animals housed for 2 months due to the wild fires. We still managed to pull off our rodeo, was the smallest rodeo for entries we have hosted. Many reasons are due to wildfires, membership price and local entry rule. Thank you to the BCRA, members and stock contractors.
  - d) Vanderhoof spring rodeo ~ Brenda Ferguson. Thank you to everyone for coming to our rodeo. There were a few glitches but overall went well.
  - e) Prince George ~ Carl Hyde. Didn't have a rodeo this year due to housing evacuated animals. Hope to have one for the 2018 season.
7. BCRA office and entry Report ~ Laura James.

It was a very challenging year for the BCRA office with 18 days of no power due to the floods and then displaced for just about a month due to the wildfires. With all the challenges Laura believes the office still ran smoothly and hopes 2018 will be much smoother. The entry system worked well this year and the online entries are really being utilized more. There were a few complaints during Smithers/Alkali weekend and Barriere weekend with contestants not getting their day. Laura said it is very hard when everyone asks for the exact same day, some people are not going to get what they ask for.

8. BCRA Director Nominations
- a) Directors Finished after 2017 Season
    - Wade McNolty
    - Carl Hyde
    - Jay Savage
    - Allison Everett
    - Christoph Muig (Replaced Matt OFlynn)
    - Ray Jasper (resigned - 1-year term)
  - b) Directors with one year remaining (2018)
    - Gord Puhallo
    - Trish Kohorst
    - Ty Lytton
    - Tom Danyck (1-year term ~ Resigned)
    - Aaron Palmer
    - Tim Terepocki (Replaced Ryan Hume)

2. Expectation as a director ~ Being a director is a commitment, you will need to call in and have the best interest of the association in mind; not personal interests. Commitment at the rodeos, to your fellow directors and to the BCRA.

Membership discussion on some directors not making enough meetings. One particular director only made one meeting the past year.

**MOTION: Motion by Patti Gerhardi to remove any directors that have missed consecutive meetings as per rule. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kelly Walls. All in favor.**

3. Nominations

- a) Kelly Walls nominates Allison Everett. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve Lloyd ~ Will Stand
- b) Tim Terepocki nominates Steve Lloyd. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kelly Walls ~ Will Stand
- c) Aaron Palmer nominates Carl Hyde. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trish Kohorst ~ Will Stand
- d) Blaine Stoltz nominates Kelly walls. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ty Lytton ~ Will Stand
- e) Judy Hyde nominates Rhoda Petal. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gord Puhallo ~ Will Stand
- f) Patti Gerhardi nominates Ray Jasper ~ Ray Declined
- g) Trish nominates Shaylene Tucker. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mariah Mannering ~ Will Stand
- h) Steve Hohmann nominates Christoph Muigg. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kelly Walls ~ Will Stand
- i) Sherry Jasper nominates Patti Gerhardi. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kelly Walls ~ Will Stand

**MOTION: Motion by Tim Terepocki to cease nominations. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Aaron Palmer. All in favor.**

New Directors

- Steve Lloyd
- Allison Everett
- Carl Hyde
- Shaylene Tucker
- Rhoda Petal
- Patti Gerhardi (1-year term)
- Kelly walls (1-year term)

9. BCRA President Election

- a) Judy Hyde nominates Gord Puhallo. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tim Terepocki ~ Will Stand
- b) Ryan MacNaughton nominates Trish Kohorst. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Deana Lloyd ~ Will Stand
- c) Patti Gerhardi nominates Carl Hyde. Carl Declined

**MOTION: Motion by Nita Cameron to cease nominations. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Laura James. All in favor.**

Gord Puhallo voted in as president.

10. BCRA Event Representatives

- a) Bareback ~ Christoph Muigg
- b) Saddle Bronc ~ Steve Hohmann
- c) Bull Riding ~ Ty Hammil
- d) Tie Down Roping ~ Steve Lloyd
- e) Steer Wrestling ~ Colton Wardrop
- f) Ladies Barrels ~ Judy Hyde
- g) Breakaway ~ Terris Billyboy

- h) Team Roping ~ Ty Lytton
- i) Junior Representative ~ Brianna Billy

## New Business

***Motion: Motion by the BCRA Board of Directors to reduce membership cost to \$200.00 for an open membership, \$400.00 family membership (2016 membership fees). 2<sup>nd</sup> by Laura James. 30 in favor. 3 opposed. Motion Carried***

Discussion ~ Membership felt the membership was too high last year and was part of the reason for low membership. Let's put the membership price back to where it was in 2016, which is more affordable.

***Motion: Motion by the BCRA Board of Directors makes to increase entry system charge, judges' fees, and finals surcharge by \$1.00 each. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Aaron Palmer. All in favor. Motion Passed***

Discussion that the official's wages were increased in 2017 and with the decrease in the membership fees going forward, this could help to recoup those costs.

***MOTION: Motion by Carmen Ross that Vision 2020 presented by Ray Jasper (created by Ray Jasper, Court Smith, Tim Terepocki, Steve Lloyd, Tom Danyck, Jay Savage) be adopted by the membership to move forward with the presented document, Vision 2020. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jason Beier. All in favor.***

### ***VISION 2020 document attached***

Discussion ~ Is the membership willing to give the directors and vision 2020 committee the ability to change rules throughout the year to build and implement Vision 2020. 30 copies of Vision 2020 were handed around to the membership. Ray Jasper presented the proposed Vision 2020 document to the membership present so every member is aware what they are voting on. Rhoda Petal spoke to the northern open rodeos and at this point they are not perceptive to becoming apart of the BCRA at this point. They would like to see more 2-1-day rodeo, directors more open to membership with communication, more fair judging, they do not like some of the rules, they would like to see bcra restructure, membership fee scared them, they want total control over their rodeo.

***MOTION: The BCRA Board of Directors makes a motion that a contestant may enter one rodeo per year as a local competitor (as per the 2016 rules). 8 opposed. Rest in favor. Motion Passed.***

***MOTION: The BCRA Board of Directors makes a motion that, at its' discretion and under extenuating circumstances, approve rodeo ground rules that are in the best interest of the committee, the BCRA and its members. All in favor. Motion Passed.***

Discussion on the situation in Chilliwack with the tie down roping ground rule.

**MOTION: Motion by Judy Hyde to delete rule Section 14 8.11: Barrels may not be practiced on at any time during the BCRA finals weekend. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mariah. All in favor. Motion Carried**

Discussion that the finals be hand raked after each run like at the CFR to make the production quicker. Motion is about not allowing barrels to be set up over the finals, why can barrel racers not set up barrels as long as off the peg so many feet.

**MOTION: Motion by Russ Glassford that there is one rake only during the peewee barrels. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve. Discussion that some of the peewees are running just as hard at the woman. The spectators love the kids and don't mind waiting on a rake. Motion defeated.**

**MOTION: Member motion that the mens' all around is changed to a mens' high point (three cheques in two events). 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve. 13 in favor. 10 opposed. Motion Carried.**

**MOTION: Motion by Neal Antoine that the open breakaway be restricted to women only. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nita Walker. Motion defeated.**

Discussion on finals points being 100 to 10 from 1<sup>st</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> rather than 40-10 points and whether the season leader money should go into finals rather than sudden death finals. Could depend on how much added money there is per round at future finals. To put under the vision 2020 for finals formatting.

Discussion on Roughstock numbers, 8 or less entries in a roughstock event allows contestants to take the two head option, could this be increased for a 3-day rodeo. Should be either 10-12 or less to enter for two head.

**MOTION: Motion by Carmen that the finals stock be voted on by the top 15 via electronic or mail from the office with the event rep helping. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve. All in favor. Motion passed.**

Discussion on scheduling issues such as Anahim Lake and Pritchard on the same weekend. What about HSR and BCLBRA conflicting, how can we all schedule better.

**MOTION: Motion by Russ Glassford to adjourn the meeting at 12:52 pm. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Court Smith. All in favor.**