NDWS Board of Director's Meeting Monday, August 8, 2016 ~ Rosebud Visitor's Center/NDWS Office

Those in attendance at the NDWS Board Meeting were as follows: Beth Didier, Bill Carlblom, Dawn Riley, Whitney Vogel, Kevin Christensen, Tim Ost, Nick Holm, Brad McKay and Angie Curtis. President, Beth Didier, called the meeting to order.

Review of Minutes: The minutes from the July 11th meeting were reviewed and a motion was made by Nick to accept the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Bill; motion carried.

Financial Reports: The financial reports were reviewed and a motion made by Bill to accept the reports as written; the motion was seconded by Brad and motion carried.

Holding Company By-Law: Due to a by-law to be discussed, a motion was made by Kevin to recess the NDWS Board of Directors' Meeting and open a holding company meeting. Motion was seconded by Brad and motion carried. Dawn stated that in the current by-laws the annual meeting is to be held in September. She would like to see the meeting month changed to November, because of the work involved getting ready for the Jr. High/High School Rodeos. A motion was made by Kevin to move the meeting to November; Bill seconded the motion and motion carried.

A motion was then made by Nick to adjourn the holding company meeting and reopen the NDWS BOD Meeting; motion was seconded by Brad and motion carried.

<u>Jr. High/High School Rodeos</u>: Set up for the rodeos will begin after the Appaloosa Horse Show, which is scheduled for August 20-21. With approximately 500 stalls rented last year, the same is expected for this year; once again additional panels will need to be borrowed for the stalls set up outside. Dawn shared a quote received from Kelly Kohn to add more electrical hook-ups; for 19 spaces the total would be \$7000. Due to the spaces being sold out for the rodeos and the September horse show, the consensus was to move forward with this project and possibly add on more, up to an expense of \$10,000, which is the yearly income received from the electrical spaces each year.

Also concerning rodeo, Nick and Doug will not be available to work and Brad will be there on Sunday only. Dawn will be checking with Dylan to see if he would be available.

NSC "Black Tie" Event: The event name has been changed to the "Cattleman's Ball & Sale" and will be discussed in further detail at the livestock meeting, scheduled for Wednesday night. A gaming license was obtained in order to have this and, as a result, the award amount is not limited to \$12,000. There is however more accountability with tickets and more work is involved, including a separate bank account needing to be set up.

Also concerning the NSC, Dawn shared that a gun show may possibly be held; postcards have been mailed out, with instructions to call or email the office for entry information. If enough vendors are interested in attending, the show will be held.

Committee Reports:

- A. *Rodeo Queen:* Kevin has asked Jodi Kvien is she is interested in taking over as chairperson; he has not heard back so will talk to her again.
- B. *Arena/Grounds:* Quotes for a new heating system were received from Air Anderson and Bakkegard & Schell. Both were reviewed; the Air Anderson quote is approximately \$125,000, but requires a qualified engineer to evaluate the building. Bakkegard does not require the third party, but is \$142,000. The Air Anderson quote also does not include electrical, so both are likely similar in price. Upon further review, likely a more commercial or industrial type system is needed instead, so Bill will check on this.
- C. *Commercial/Concession:* The Winter Show vendor packets will be going out this month; no other report.
- D. Crop Show: Brad has not yet contacted Curt Van Dyke about overseeing the crop show; he will contact him.
- E. *Finance:* Dawn has emailed Bobby Koeplin, inquiring about the payment from the city for the horse stalls; she has not heard back on that yet however.

- F. *Horses:* Dawn has been contacted by a couple different groups, asking about renting the facility. One is a paint horse association that is interested in having a paint and appaloosa horse show next year and the other is a barrel racing group interested in renting the arena for three hours; Dawn quoted them \$100 per hour.
- G. *Labor:* Nikki will now not be attending school in the fall, so will be working at the barn until January. Noah Kaber is interested in working full-time until January as well, so no new employee is needed until at least then. Concerning the office positions, Angie shared that she will be decreasing hours until an end date the end of this month; Dawn stated that Jacey's last day will be this week Wednesday.
- H. *Livestock:* As discussed previously, a committee meeting will be held on Wednesday night. No other report.
- I. *Rodeo:* A ranch rodeo has been booked for next year, July 14th, with possibly a dance to follow.
- J. *SEB/Ag Challenge/HPG:* Stacey Lilja did email Dawn a couple suggestions for Ag Challenge speakers; those will be checked into. Whitney suggested Amberley Snyder, a motivational speaker and paralyzed barrel racer. Angie has contacted Temple Grandin, but not heard back on her availability yet.
- K. Ag Hall of Fame: No report.
- L. *Sponsorship:* Letters to last year high school rodeo sponsors have gone out and letters will be going out soon to the previous NSC sponsors.
- M. *Timeless Traditions:* As discussed previously, it is not known yet whether or not the National Guard Armory will be available to use; this will need to be known soon, so alternative locations can be found or shows possibly combined.

Other: Kevin has purchased 32 panels, at \$400 each, for use at the barn; a financial plan will need to be implemented to pay for these. Pertaining to the 4-H scheduling, Bill and Dawn will be meeting soon with the extension office to discuss the events and re-scheduling of those on perhaps one weekend, instead of two.

With no other business to discuss at this time, a motion was made by Kevin to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded by Tim and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by: Angie Curtis, NDWS Event Coordinator