

**NDWS Board of Director's Meeting**  
**Monday, August 31, 2015 – NDWS Gold Buckle Pub – 6 pm**

Those in attendance at the NDWS Board Meeting were as follows: Dennis Hoye, Nick Holm, Dana Didier, Beth Didier, Dawn Riley, Jim Nelson, Whitney Vogel, Matt Kvien, Pete Paulson, Tim Ost, Doug Muske, Bill Carlblom, Brad McKay, Nick Hoffart & Angie Curtis. President, Dennis Hoye, called the meeting to order. The minutes from the July meeting were then reviewed, with a motion made by Tim, seconded by Doug to approve the minutes; motion carried.

**Financial Reports:** The financial reports were reviewed, including the year end financials, with more discussion to take place at the annual meeting. A motion was made by Brad, seconded by Doug, to approve the financials; motion carried.

**Jr. High/ High School Rodeo:** The rodeos are scheduled for September 19-20 and help is needed. Matt will be able to go down to the cutting in Marion on Sunday night and will find some others to work there, likely Lane, Noah Kaber and Sage. He will be able to work in the arena on the roping end as well. Pete will be available to run a gate, Brad to dig the arena, Jim where needed, Dana and Nick Hoffart in the indoor arena and Whitney will be available on Sunday. Angie will get the arena directors a breakdown of additional labor needs for each arena. Reservations for horse stalls are coming in already and 500 stalls will be planned for.

**North Star Classic:** For the first time, online bidding will be available for the cattle sales, through DVAuction. This, along with other changes, were suggested or implemented by the livestock committee. A gun raffle had been suggested, but due to the raffle held during the Winter Show, we are unable to obtain another permit. Another organization could perhaps organize that; Beth was checking getting another type of raffle, but is not able to pursue this further. Some members of the livestock committee met to evaluate the advertising funds and various publications that ads have been placed in. Several changes were made, including a new publication added and also a portion of the funding to be used towards the DVAuction fee. The committee is aware that the show needs to generate a profit, or it may not be able to continue. No dinner show entertainment has been decided as of yet.

**4-H Livestock Judging:** The state 4-H committee decided to move the livestock judging that has been held during the Winter Show, to NDSU, with the date of March 5<sup>th</sup> tentatively scheduled. The livestock judging workout that has been done at the NSC however, is still taking place.

**5 Star Invoicing:** Another bill has been received from 5 Star; this dispute between the NDWS and 5 Star needs to be resolved! The NDWS has a signed contract from 5 Star for the building rent last November and that fee was never paid. The NDWS however, has been receiving invoices for amounts and payments never agreed upon and with no contracts ever signed. These amounts have been for chute rent for the PRCA Rodeos and the high school rodeos, as well as cooler rental. The board members that had met with the 5 Star members felt that at the last meeting in February of 2015, that all was resolved, a "clean slate" to move forward. A decision was made to meet again; the board will meet with the entire 5 star board at a neutral location to discuss all of this. Dana, Doug and Matt will meet at the office before to get a breakdown from Dawn, of all the times 5 star has been allowed to use the NDWS building to unload bulls, store chutes and other equipment and what fees would have typically been charged for those services.

**Committee Reports:**

- A. *Rodeo Queen:* no report
- B. *Arena/Grounds:* The NDWS was approved for a \$36,000 grant from the city, so more stalls will be purchased.
- C. *Commercial/Concession:* no report
- Concert:** [REDACTED] is confirmed for the 2016 Winter Show, along with [REDACTED]. Another act is still needed however, with some names to be checked with including [REDACTED]
- E. *Crop Show:* no report
- F. *Finance:* Discussed previously
- G. *Horses:* Great comments were heard from the Appaloosa show recently held and approximately \$2000 was made. The next show will be a Quarter Horse Show September 10-13.

- H. *Labor*: no report
- I. *Livestock*: no report
- J. *Rodeo*: the contract for the PRCA rodeo during the Winter Show has been sent in. No other report.
- K. *SEB*: Roof is still leaking; Dawn has talked to Enterprise about this and is waiting to hear back.
- L. *Ag Hall of Fame*: no report
- M. *Sponsorship*: Letters for NSC sponsorships are going out soon. A list will be handed out at the next meeting, with businesses left to contact for sponsorship. The next BOD meeting will be after the annual meeting. Discussion turned to changing the annual NDWS meeting to October, as to not coincide with the jr. high/ high school rodeo preparations. A motion was made by Jim, seconded by Matt to have the annual meeting Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup>. The motion carried, with Dawn and Pete voting no to the October date.
- N. *Timeless Traditions*: no report

**Other:** Dawn relayed that Lindsey gave her notice and will be leaving October 1<sup>st</sup> to work at AgCountry. Also, in preparing for the annual meeting, Holly Johnson has not signed a letter to renew her term; Kevin Christensen has committed verbally, but no letter has been signed yet. Instead of finding a replacement for Holly, the number of board members will once again be 12.

With no other business at this time, meeting was adjourned by Dennis.

*Respectfully Submitted by: Angie Curtis, NDWS Event Coordinator*