

**MRA Directors Meeting
September 3, 2011
Cow Camp**

1. Call to order

2. Roll Call (directors present listed):

Nate VanderKolk	Sarah Vander	Dave Firman
Seth Madry	Kooy	Mike Shegan
Dennis Orr	Kacie Kapp	Dirk Rinz
Garett Madry	Stuart Pletcher	Stoffer Cowles
	Dan Swiler	

3. Secretary's report distributed and reviewed. Mike Shegan motioned to accept, Seth 2nd. Motion passed.

4. Treasurer's report- update to printed report.

Checking	\$19429.68
Savings	\$3100.00

Mike Shegan motioned to accept, Nate 2nd. Motion passed.

5. Qualifier roping

- Add to qualifier roping that money won counts towards year end points.
- Stuart got called about the roping being moved with one team at Vision of Victory. We don't have any protocol to say what to do.
 - Protocol: In the circumstance that a roping moves location during a round the whole round will be re-run in the new arena location.
- Conversation about entering the qualifying roping. Qualifier will remain a partner call in.
- Discussion about continuing the qualifying roping.
 - Only 2 people earned qualifying spots to finals that did not have them
 - MRA didn't make any more money.
 - Sarah Vander Kooy and Katie VanderKolk will create an online survey to ask members what they would like to see done with the qualifier roping as well as some other questions about their perceptions of the association.
 - Qualifier location?
 - Qualifier format?
 - Is the qualifier needed?
 - If the qualifier is kept, should it be a 10 head format?

- Are entry fees adequate?
- Change the wording about earning a qualifying spot to 1 spot for every 4 teams (1 spot for every 25%)

1-8 teams= 1 qualifying spot

9-11 teams= 2 qualifying spots

12-15 teams= 3 qualifying spots

16-19 teams= 4 qualifying spots

6. Finals

- Awards—secretaries gifts have been purchased and options are being explored for prizes for top 10 winners. Budget approximately \$110-115 for awards.
- Banquet
 - i. MRA will pay \$10 per member for diner –dinner choices were decided.

New Business

1. MYTEC—Mike Shegan and Kacie Kapp asked for a donation to the MYTEC Championship. Dave Firman moved to donate \$150, 2nd by Dan Swiler. Motion passed.
2. Ratings
 - a. Discussion regarding numbers and people who are standing out considerably.
 - b. Is it fair to change numbers this close to finals?
 - c. No changes will be made today, however at finals directors need to watch ropers and make notes as to if they are numbered appropriately.
 - d. Katie will email all directors a current rating list before finals.
3. Membership form amendments—discussed to move to an online bulletin only effective January 1, 2012 unless otherwise requested. This will be updated on the membership form. Also add US# and MRA # for new members to fill out so that we are getting people numbered as they purchase their memberships.
4. Phone list to be emailed to all directors by Katie.
5. Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Mike Shegan, 2nd by Stoffer Cowels. Motion passed.

