

**MONTANA HIGH SCHOOL RODEO ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING
ZOOM – 08/29/2023**

President Denver Gilbert called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

In Attendance: Kari Trexler, Mark Radue, Ryan Gaasch, Ricki Grebe, Tater Erickson, Clint Begger, Tobin Arnold, Cassie Gibson, Kortney Eiker, Tim Larson, Jay Wagner, Ty Parker,

Absent: Hailey Burger, Sophia Wyatt, Payton Levine

HS State Finals Rodeo Report:

Jay and Tater met with Bob & Jan Parker, owners of Majestic Valley Arena, about holding the 2024 HS Finals at their facility.

- Majestic Valley will charge a flat fee for the use of the facility, and they will take care of camping and stalling.
- The stall barn has 164 stalls
- 142 portable stalls
- 10 acres for dry camping
- MHSRA can have food vendors and other vendors come in
- There is a big screen available to use, this would be a separate charge from facility use
- They have ticket takers available that we can hire to take rodeo tickets
- There are rooms available for scholarship interviews, office, prom, etc.

Much discussion was held about the facility. There would be some additional fees such as porta potties, possible Cowboy Channel Coverage, , tractor, etc..

Lewistown has reached out to us about hosting the state finals as well. They would charge \$2000/day which includes a tractor and driver. MHSRA would be responsible for all camping, stalls, tickets, etc.

Discussion was held about the two available facilities to host the state finals.

MOTION: Ryan made a motion to hold the 2024 State HS Finals Rodeo at Majestic Valley Arena in Kalispell.

2nd by Jay

Motion approved.

Denver spoke with Laurie Cox and Paige Anderson about possibly coming on as MHSRA PR/Marketing. Discussion was held about what salary should be offered to someone in that position. Most people are paid a base salary of 25-30,000 plus 10-12% of the sponsorships they collect.

MOTION: Ryan made a motion to set up interviews with Laurie Cox and Paige Anderson for the PR/Marketing position.

2nd by Ty

Motion approved.

Denver will reach out to them and have interviews completed by October 1st.

Discussion was held regarding drawing for a partner in the team roping for members who don't have a partner. Discussion was held and it was decided that this is not something we want to change mid-season.

Debbie asked if the board wanted to purchase a table at the upcoming MPR Hall & Wall of Fame banquet.

MOTION: Tater made a motion to purchase a table at the MPR Hall & Wall of Fame Banquet.

2nd by Tim

Motion approved.

MOTION: Tater made a motion to adjourn the meeting

2nd by Kortney

Motion approved.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM