

Cuttin' Loose Club of Washington
Board Meeting May 15, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Virtual MS Teams meeting

Meeting called to order 6:15 PM Pacific

Attendees:

Janice Horton
Kristy Johnson
Joe Jones
Bert Lindsey
Robin Nichols
Tim Shea
Jeff Sleeman
Jessica Ware
Gayle Wilkinson
Stephenie Winston

Treasurers Report

Bank \$11523.73 in account

To pay-May show hay

Show net \$ April \$1196, May \$1052,

Board Positions

The following change was made to board position:

- Vice President change: Jeff Sleeman appointed

These changes were initially presented to the board by the President, and the board members unanimously agree with the change. This change complies with Article III, Section 3.a

A vacancy on the Board of Directors by reason of death, resignation, or removal of a director shall be filled by the President. Such an appointee shall serve during the unexpired term of the Director(s) whose office has become vacant.

Shows

April 24

May 8

June 12

July 17

Aug 7

Sept 11

Board Member Discussion Topics

- Recruiting to increase fresh cattle entries- Further discussion is needed on attracting new members, especially as many trainers are semi, or fully retiring.
- Current show attendance was discussed, and proposal to cancel single cow classes. The club cannot sustain shows without an increase in fresh cattle class entries. Those classes cover not only show costs, but club operating and year end award costs. The trend for overuse of cattle in used classes cannot be offset by the current lack of entries in fresh cattle classes.
 - Class changes:
 - Eliminate 500N/N Ranch Horse, green/green, open boxing and novice boxing, beginner green cattle practice and boxing practice
 - The 250 N/N is considered a “beginner” class and will be allowed as a two-handed
 - Class changes conform to Article VI, Section 2.6
- Roles needed for shows
 - Sign-ups needed for each show to share the workload.

- A club liaison will be identified at each show. This person will be a board member, the role is to help answer questions from new members, and provide assistance to the secretary, announcer, etc.
 - Janice will be club liaison at June show where club liaison
- Herd scheduling and communication with herd handlers. Bert has helped coordinate herd scheduling previously and it's been very beneficial.
- Tractor operator should be a hired position
- 2019 Rule Book needs to be updated and placed online and printed version available at the show office
 - Update entry cut-off timeframe
 - One/two hand rule in classes should be explicitly stated in rule book
 - State allotted time for classes and practices as necessary
 - Judges have brought questions on how to judge classes i.e. 250 N/N scoring standard and non-comparison scoring with 500 class. Need to offer judges more than just the cliffs notes as necessary
- Protests shall be settled through a Cutter's Representative per Article VI, Section 2.23
- Show/practice entries
 - Registered names of horses should be used in entries to track earnings.
 - Entries submitted on behalf of owners, or one person submitting entry as favor to another causes difficulty matching entry submittal name to actual person supposed to pay.
- Post entries
 - Per Article VI, Section 2.12 *The post entry(s) will be placed at the end of the draw and no additional cattle will be added.*
 - Impact to show secretary for post entries
 - Hand entries on judge's card, secretary, draw and announcer sheets.
 - Communication with cattle handler
 - Post entries effect schedule for all subsequent classes/practices at that show
 - Overuse of cattle
 - The limited fresh cattle class and practice entries, and increasing trend in used cattle class and practice entries have resulted in the average cattle use at

approximately 3 runs/head. The number of used cattle entries should not exceed the number of fresh cattle entries.

- Suggestion to hold fresh cattle practices at the beginning of the show which will likely increase fresh cattle entries (practices or classes) overall

A post-entry fee of \$20 per entry per class will be implemented beginning at the June show. The board unanimously votes in favor of the \$20 post-entry fee. Show management reserves the right to limit post entries to prevent over-use of cattle, or to prevent impacts to show schedule

- Secretary duties are becoming difficult to handle due to significant questions and complaints and coordination needed
- Class changes allowed per Article VI, Section 2.6
 - Eliminate 500N/N Ranch Horse, green/green, open boxing and novice boxing, beginner green cattle practice and boxing practice
 - The 250 N/N is considered a “beginner” class and will be allowed as a two-handed
- The following concerns from members regarding practice sequencing is addressed with the aforementioned changes to classes offered
 - Suggestion to schedule classes such that all fresh cattle classes go first in the class order.
 - Suggestion to move used practices to end of day, and not stagger between the classes or to move to the middle of the day to allow cattle. This allows the cattle to rest after their first use as in the fresh cattle classes.
- The arena footing at Stewarts is still a concern.

The board proposes to hold another board meeting between the June and July shows.

For next Board meeting discuss proposed NCHA show at Stewarts.

Schedule for a general board meeting will be discussed.

Meeting adjourned 7:45 pm