

CoWN April 14, 2025 Board Meeting

Attendees: Joseph Barnett, Laura Bergroth, Diana Duncun, Abbie Ferris, Troy Griffith, Donna Hazel, Lisa Hurd, Jessica Pancost, Austin Reynolds, Cole Tully, Kristi Street, Amanda Van Der Zwagg, and Doug Van Der Zwagg.

Abbie called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

March 2025 Minutes: No changes. Lisa motions to approve, Cole seconds. Minutes are approved.

Treasurer's Report: No current updates as Doug is to meet with Cintia to go over how she did accounting for the show. He did receive awards receipts from Laura.

Clinic: Kudos to Joseph for organizing a great clinic. It was well attended and enjoyed.

Kickoff Show: Jessica will pick up the trailer from Troy and bring it to The Ranch by Wednesday. Cole would like to offer vendors at the show the same amount that RMQHA offers. 78 entries so far. Will do a last minute advertising that CoWN is adding an extra \$300 to the jackpot in addition to the \$70 entry fee for the all around and \$10 towards the class jackpot.

Non-Pro wants to school and it's showing up as mandatory to enter the jackpot, and there are complaints. Will keep the jackpot for Non-Pro for this show and revisit later. Doug approves, Cole seconds, Troy opposes.

Thursday set up- Cole, Diana and crew, Austin, and Lisa will be there to help. Joseph is receiving the cows, so he will help when he can.

Diana is working with Amanda to get a store front so board members can have a shirt or something similar that says CoWN Board so people know who to ask questions when at the show.

As of July 1, 2025, The Ranch will be charging \$22 for a bedded stall cleaning fee. They bring in people doing community service to clean the stalls. Gi said for us to write a letter to The Ranch explaining how this would impact our organization. Abbie to draft the letter for the Board to review. We will need to change the entry form to show tack stall vs a stall with shavings. They charge \$15/drag for over 6 drags. We usually have 8-10 drags at a minimum daily.

Diana thinks we would charge \$25/day haul in fee for all shows. Approved.

Add Lead Line.

Clinics: Nate has offered his facility to host clinics and has enough cows. Jessica to work with him to set up more and Lisa to help once school is out. Amanda said she'll look for a location down south for a clinic, possibly Shilo in Ft. Collins. Rookie stipulations- we didn't define properly what a Rookie is for the clinic, so Abbie was fielding a lot of questions. We need to do better with this next time.

Committee Updates: HS Committee- first meeting coming up.

Awards- all good.

Sponsors- Jessica got her vets (Vision Equine) to sponsor \$500. She got their banner and will get a logo for Abbie. Diana suggested a coffee and donut thing, but will revisit later. The Ranch doesn't want us

doing potlucks free to the masses and wants us to use their food and food truck people. RMQHA does potlucks without a problem, so we will not enforce The Ranch's "no potluck rule."

Spirit of CoWN/ Scholarships- The QR code is still working, which can be used to access the form. Lisa will also bring paper fliers to advertise these to the next show. There's a box of pins still in the trailer that we can hand out for the spirit award. Cole offered to sponsor more pins if needed. If you see a member being awesome, please give them a pin.

Education- There are pictures at the show that need to be posted.

Year End Standings- Abbie will work with Amanda.

Youth Board- Diana and Kristi will work with the youth and have more information at the next show to have a meeting.

New Business: The Grand Junction new show had 38 entries and Austin and Justin Henderson attended. They felt it was a good experience and it ran well. They need some help with posting draws and running order vs running classes concurrently. The ground was a bit rough. Cow and reining was in the rodeo arena and the footing was hard. Jessica had problems with the online entry and others had issues with the FB post. Stalling was complicated and not organized. Abbie will pass all of this along. The show was over by 4pm though.

Dropping one show for yearend.

We discussed We still haven't received pictures from Katie yet. She was going to provide last year's year end photos on a disk. Jessica to reach out to Katie.

Next Meeting: May 12, 2025 at 7 pm.

Adjournment: 8:04pm. Laura motions to adjourn, Lisa seconds.