

High School Meeting

Hotchkiss 2011

Jeff Jones our President started the meeting by dispelling rumors that the saddles that were being awarded at the Hotchkiss rodeo were not being paid for by the state. The Tri County Club had gotten the sponsors for them.

Jeff wanted to remind all old members and inform new members that the State has an incentive program that pays members 20% back of all the sponsorships they bring in. Jeff went out and brought in most of the saddles sponsors for the 2011 state finals. He did not take the 20% for himself. If a Jr. High member gets sponsors that money will stay in Jr. High, if a High School member gets sponsors that money will stay in High School.

The state ended up paying for 8 of the High School Saddles this year that weren't sponsored.

Jeff again asked this year if any parents would like to volunteer to be on an Awards Committee. There were no volunteers.

Sherri passed out an Expense/Income report to all the members. We went over the report.

We have 133 High School members as of this rodeo.

The board would like to see all Senior members fill out scholarship applications. All Seniors must fill out an application to be considered for the interview scholarships and the 4 year scholarships. If members don't fill out the application and turn it in on time they will not receive a scholarship, this is how it has been done for many years. Simmon Moore is still sponsoring the White Scholarships; last year we gave away \$5,000.00. \$26,000.00 in scholarship monies has not been collected yet, 2011 seniors have until November 2012 to ask for the money.

Academic cinch team- if members are on the Cinch Rodeo Team and have straight A's, they will be asked to write an essay, the best essay will determine who is on the academic team.

The board went over a chart that Lisa Black put together on what other states are charging for fee and what they expect their members to do. This was handed out so everyone could see it.

Siri Stevenson is planning on working for our state to get sponsorships for us. She will be given 20% of all the sponsorships.

The High School members and parents would like to have a sample coat to try on for national winners.

The High School members will all be required to sell 20 ticket raffle tickets at \$10.00 each this year, it is mandatory. All member and parents will be required to sign a Financial Agreement saying they will sell their tickets or buy them. Members joining in the spring will be required to sell their tickets by Golden's rodeo or buy the tickets. If member don't sell or purchase their tickets they will not be allowed to finish the season after the due date is determined.

Roger Huffman wanted to know if we could sell something else other than the Horse Trailer. Jeff told him we need to Raffle the trailer since we own it.

Some of the Suggestions we had at the meeting and in writing were as follows:

1. Start rodeos later on Saturday so people don't have to come so earlier - it will help with expenses.
2. Have more BBQ's at the weekly rodeos to get people together.

The meeting was adjourned