

## Judges Committee

November 12, 2010

8 people representing 7 associations attended the committee meeting.

We reviewed the protests submitted throughout the year.

Discussion topics on Friday included the ongoing effort for overall consistency, as well as consistent positioning for events. We encourage the 2011 chair/committee to provide guidance to the team on the issue of consistent positioning for all events. We also discussed the importance of judges being amenable to explaining the intricacies of the rules, as well as their calls, to contestants.

Contestants pointed out that while we have had protests, these relate to an infinitesimal number of the thousands of calls made each year by the judges.

Throughout the year, the judges made a number of recommendations to the Rodeo Rules Committee. The rules committee also referred a couple of proposals to the Judge committee for review. We have forwarded one of those back to the rules committee.

The committee recommended to the Joint Certification Committee that the importance of ethics regarding travel reimbursement be elucidated to all certified officials. It is essential and expected that all officials be honorable with their reimbursement requests.

We recommend to future convention planners that two hours (rather than one) be allotted for the Friday judge committee meeting.

Many thanks to the convention committee for their valuable suggestions and input.

Respectfully submitted,  
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