

Attendees:

Ken Hruby – President Jeffrey Neal– Secretary David Hering – Treasurer Carolyn Jones – Director Michael Yarborough - Director Phil Lombardi - Director Guy Puglisi – Trustee

Board Positions Absent: OPEN – Vice President Joseph Gurican - Director David Wright David Blackwood Barry Jones Buzz Green Roger Bergmann

President called the meeting to order 6:30 p.m.

President's Report

- Report submitted
- Position openings (Vice President, PR Spokesman, and Election Chair) Please contact the President if you are interested in any of these positions.
- NGRA has been approached to assist with a sponsorship of the Survivor's Brunch after WGRF at Charlie's.
- J.Neal moved to allocate \$50 of the WGRF sponsorship to be earmarked for the Survivor's Brunch at Charlie's. M.Yarborough-Second. Discussion. Motion failed.
- Confirmed with Phil that jello shots will be made and delivered for the WGRF Pub Crawl.
- 501-C3 Still waiting on attorney response.
- Online Vote for a Convention bid was included as part of the Secretary's Report.
- Received suggestions from LGBT community leadership regarding rising costs of Horseman's Park and options on how to handle
- G.Puglisi moved to interpret the definition of compact disc to include thumb drives. Second-C.Jones. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.

Vice President's Report

- Membership 104
- Requested nominations for August member of the month for activities performed August.
 Efrain Cervantes & Julio Heredia-Paz for their work on the boot raffle.

Secretary's Report

- Minutes from August meeting were presented. G.Puglisi moved to accept with two changes. M.Yarborough – Second. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.

Treasurer's Report

- Report submitted.
- G.Puglisi moved to allocate the remaining funds from the Miss IGRA Travel Fund to offset the lodging costs for the IGRA Contestants. J.Neal-Second. Discussion. Approved with one abstention.



Trustee's Report

- Convention 2015 is looking for Break Sponsors.

Director-At-Large Reports

- Carolyn report submitted.
 - Recommended we consider the Gaming Form for Lotteries. Need more info to consider.
- Joseph report submitted
- Michael report submitted
 - Pride Banner was delivered. Funds left over for the Flag as well.
 - Hoping to have the flag delivered for use at Finals
- Phil report submitted.

Royalty Team

- Report submitted.
- Thank you all for your help at the show at Charlie's. It was a great event.
- Please come to Finals and cheer us on for our bid for IGRA Royalty.

Fundraising

- Report submitted.
- Thanks to all that helped with Fiesta Independencia. It was great.
- Working on Event locations and Dates for 2016.
- Carolyn discussed the feelings of the committee related to NGRA being able to give funds back to the community without having a rodeo in 2016.
- Discussed the action items on report and what they can do to support the efforts. Any questions about the budget should be come to the Board as they approve the NGRA budget.
- Next fundraising meeting will be held in October 7 at the home of Barry & Carolyn Jones.

Royalty Competition

- Ken is working on the arrangements.
- Judges will be discussed in closed session tonight.

Public Relations

- President will entertain any interest in filling this vacant post.

Historian

- Quarterly report submitted.

Newsletter

- Deadline for submissions for pictures, articles and information is 23rd for the next newsletter.
- Outline was sent out... please send any suggestions.
- Any ideas for stories can be sent to <u>News@NGRA.com</u>

Unfinished Business

- Convention Delegates list was revisited. Anyone that wishes to attend as a delegate is encouraged to reach out to Trustee@NGRA.com.



New Business

- Election Chair and Call for Elections – need to alert everyone of the upcoming elections since they will happen at a different time of the calendar year.

Quorum was met.

General Membership

- Requested nominations for August member of the month for activities performed in August.
 - Efrain Cervantes & Julio Heredia-Paz for their work on the boot raffle.
 - J.Neal moved to accept by acclamation. M.Yarborough-Second. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.
- Congratulations to Efrain & Julio.

Board adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Board retired into Executive Session with P.Lombardi excluded. 8:17 pm

D.Hering moved to have executive session. Second-J.Neal. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.

Review of potential Judge List for Royalty Competition.

J.Neal moved to approve the potential judges list presented. Second-M.Yarborough. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.

Adjourned at 8:35 pm

Respectfully submitted, Jeffrey Neal, NGRA Secretary