

Attendees:

Ken Hruby – President Jeffrey Neal – Secretary Carolyn Jones – Director Phil Lombardi - Director Guy Puglisi – Trustee Ken Wells David Wells
David Blackwood
Barry Jones
Buzz Green
Marcus Grissom
Traci Kimberlan

Board Positions Absent: OPEN – Vice President David Hering – Treasurer Joseph Gurican - Director Michael Yarborough - Director

President called the meeting to order 6:50 p.m.

President's Report

- Report submitted
- Being President is new for me, so please make sure to call me between meetings if there is something I might not know.
- Several appointments are needed so if you are interested in any of the openings please let Ken know.
- The first of the surveys have been sent out. More to come in the future months.
- Have had several meetings with the Center. They are thrilled to have us here and we are continuing to work on
- Mat Todd has been appointed to head up the Pride Parade Float
- NGRA has agreed to provide volunteers for one ticket booth and one serving booth
- Parade Float needs to be dynamic and we need to work on a way to put \$500 towards it. Have discussed with the Treasurer.
- G. Puglisi moved to rescind the vote from last month's meeting:
 - "Working the drink tickets and Coke booth at Pride with any proceeds awarded to NGRA to be earmarked for The Center"
 - Second-C.Jones. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.
- G. Puglisi moved to accept working the drink tickets and coke booth at Pride with the first \$500 of the proceeds to be used to cover expenses toward the Pride Float. Second-C.Jones Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.
- G. Puglisi moved to authorize up to \$500 for materials and entry fee for the Pride Parade Float. Second-P.Lombardi. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.
- Deadline for Royalty Competition is August 30th. The contest is November 28th.
- G.Puglisi moved to sponsor two categories of medals at the WGRF for \$200. Second-C.Jones. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.
- WGRF is arranging their own pub crawl for Finals weekend. Discussion on whether money from selling jello shots goes directly to NGRA. P.Lombardi will coordinate making and selling the shots during the pub crawl and K.Hruby will confirm proceeds discussion.





- Proceeds from upcoming season of Monday night football events at Charlie's will benefit NGRA. Everyone be sure to attend and have a great time during Football Season.

Vice President's Report

- Membership 101
- Requested nominations for July member of the month for activities performed July.
 - Matthew Grenke-Martinez for helping co-host Drag Roulette.

Secretary's Report

- Minutes from July meeting were presented. J.Neal moved to accept. G.Puglisi – Second. Discussion. Approved by verbal vote with one abstension.

Treasurer's Report

- Treasurer's reports for August will be presented with next months' report.

Trustee's Report

- A.Goodman has been appointed as IGRA-U Chancellor for 2016
- No bids have been received for IGRA Convention 2016 or 2017
- Proposals for Convention are due by September 15th
- IGRA Secretary and Vice President are up for election this year
- Nine associations failed to submit candidates for judging and will be fined. NGRA is not one of those.
- IGRA VP will be out of contact in early September
- Alotta Trash has stepped away from her position on IGRA Royalty citing personal issues.
- Laura Scott has been named Rodeo Director for WGRF 2016
- Membership renewals are due by September 15th
- All associations are encouraged to provide general members to the various committees.
- IGRA Board meetings 2016 will be in Tucson (Jan) Palm Springs (May) Denver (July) and the Convention location.
- WGRF reported on their progress toward their Oct event
- IGRA Convention in St. Pete in November. If you are interested in attending as a delegate or alternate get in touch with Trustee@NGRA.com

Director-At-Large Reports

- Carolyn report submitted.
 - Volunteers are needed during WGRFinals for various activities.
 - Presented several ideas for update of banner and flag for the association. Discussion. Is already approved.
- Joseph no report submitted
- Michael report submitted
 - Asked for status on the 501C-3. No further information is available
 - Gave some update on upcoming survey data we are going to try to get back from members
 - Requested
- Phil report submitted. No actionable items

Royalty Team

- Report submitted. No actionable items.



Fundraising

- Report submitted.
- Committee requested for Board approval for the following intended format for events in 2016:
 - 12 events at Charlie's, one to be the Royalty Competition
 - 4 events at Badlands
 - 4 events at Flex
 - 4 events at the Phoenix
 - G.Puglisi-Second. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.
- Discussion of whether to advertise a boot raffle on our poster further information needed.
- C.Jones moved to approve the concept of the December Poster. P.Lombardi-Second. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.
- Minutes of last Fundraising Committee was included for review.
- Next fundraising meeting will be held in September at the home of Barry & Carolyn Jones. Date and time to be announced.

Public Relations

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

Historian

No report submitted.

<u>Newsletter</u>

- Deadline for submissions for pictures, articles and information is 23rd for the next newsletter.
- Submissions are much better. Thank you. Hope everyone is enjoying the publication.
- Any ideas for stories can be sent to News@NGRA.com

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

None

Quorum was met.

General Membership

- Requested nominations for July member of the month for activities performed in July.
 - Matthew Grenke-Martinez for helping co-host Drag Roulette.
 - J.Neal moved to accept by acclaimation. T.Kimberlain-Second. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.
- Congratulations to Matthew.

Board adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Jeffrey Neal, NGRA Secretary