



Attendees:

Ken Hruby – President  
Chris Due – Vice President  
Jeffrey Neal– Secretary  
David Hering – Treasurer  
Guy Puglisi – Trustee  
Barry Jones - Director

Carolyn Jones – Director  
Marcus Grissom – Fundraising Director  
Kathy Alday  
Brenda Alday  
Lorry King

Board Positions Absent:

None

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President called the meeting to order 6:32 p.m.

President's Report

- **Lifetime memberships – President nominates Richard Armstrong for a lifetime membership for being the first competitor and still competing after 20+ years. Second-D.Hering. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**
- Amnesty for former members. President recommended that we offer an amnesty to former members provided they do not need a new name badge.
- G.Puglisi moved to offer amnesty of the \$25 initiation fee for former members through the 30<sup>th</sup> of June. Second-J.Neal. Discussion. Motion withdrawn.
- **G.Puglisi moved to offer amnesty membership renewal of \$15 through June 30<sup>th</sup> and if applicants wish to have a new name badge it will be an additional \$15. Second-C.Jones. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**
- **President appoints Matt Tod to be the NGRA Pride Parade Float committee chairperson. Board approved with unanimous verbal vote.**
- President would like to see a special fundraiser or event that would raise funds for another charity and keep our name in the community. This is not intended to be coordinated under fundraising and would need someone who would like to lead this effort.
- Fundraising leadership met to review ideas and discuss forward activities
- Fundraising prize items will be inventoried this month in hopes to be moved to the current Fundraising Chair's home by the end of the month.
- PRIDE money is still being monitored for pay out.
- 501-C-3. All documents have been sent to the CPA. The costs will come in under budget for what we have already approved.
- Open Director position to be filled to replace the opening created by the change in the Bylaws relating to Rodeo Director.
- Marketing/PR position is still open. Looking for someone that would be willing to come in to help us from outside the organization.
- NGRA Retreat. Board is due to respond with open dates for a planning retreat.
- NGRA Royalty competition is underway. C.Due is working to set up the arrangements.

Vice President's Report

- Membership – of 84.



## Minutes from the Board of Directors Meeting – May 16, 2016

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- Attended an event at the Center and hosted a presentation on NGRA for the community and invited and hosted the very first President of NGRA, Bob Edwards. NGRA received \$200 for the doing the event.
- Palm Springs Rodeo made a historic achievement by placing First thru Fourth in women's Barrel Racing on Saturday's event go.
- Also of note, all of NGRA's contestants (men and women) are currently in the top 20 contestants on the IGRA circuit in the various events they compete in.
- Calendar for the Center at LGBTQ.Vegas has the NGRA events on it now.
- Requested nominations for Member of the Month for April:
  - Brian Porras – for his constant work in support of Fundraising.

### Secretary's Report

- **Minutes from April meeting were presented for review. D,Hering moved to approve. Second-C.Due. Approved by verbal vote with three abstentions.**

### Treasurer's Report

- Report submitted.
- 2015 Taxes have been filed and accepted by the IRS.

### Trustee's Report

- IGRA meeting was held in Palm Springs this month.
- There are 12 rodeos calendared for 2016 and 17 scheduled for 2017
- IGRA Royalty team has raised \$19,000 to date.
- IGRA is looking for associations to supply bids for 2017 and 2018 Convention and 2018 University. Bids should be submitted by June 20<sup>th</sup>.
- The timeframe for rule change requests must be six months prior to the rodeo and must be submitted 14 days prior to an IGRA Board meeting for review.
- IGRA is receiving continued interest for new associations that wish to form.
- IGRA is receiving interest for the Dance Competition to come back.
- Grand Marshals for WGRF have been announced
- Finals committee is looking for venues for the 2017 and 2018 WGRF venues
- NGRA should look at putting an ad in the WGRF program

### Director-At-Large Reports

- Barry - Report submitted
- Carolyn – Report submitted and reviewed
  - Garden Party will be this coming weekend. Attendance is encouraged.
  - Would like to know the Boards thinking on work opportunities at PRIDE. The Board is committed to supporting the IGRA WGRF event.

### Fundraising

- Report submitted.
- Planning calendar is set up for the remainder of the year.
- Posters will be sent to the President for approval and distribution
- **Next Fundraising meeting will be held in July and will be announced in the Newsletter.**

### Royalty Team

- No report.



Historian

- No Report

Newsletter

- Deadline for submissions for pictures, articles and information is 23rd for the next newsletter.
- Looking for further ways to improve or enhance the information. Any ideas for stories can be sent to [News@NGRA.com](mailto:News@NGRA.com)

Unfinished Business

- None

New Business

- None

**Quorum was met.**

General Membership

- Lifetime memberships
  - Jeffrey Neal, for his work for Rodeo
  - Richard Armstrong, for continuing to compete after 20+ years for NGRA
  - **Both nominations were approved by unanimous verbal vote.**
- Nominations for April Member of the Month:
  - Brian Porras – for his constant work in support of Fundraising.
- **J.Neal moved to accept by acclamation. Second-G.Puglisi. Discussion. Approved by verbal vote. Congratulations Brian!**

Board adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeffrey Neal, NGRA Secretary