



## Minutes from the Board of Directors Meeting – March 19, 2025

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### Attendees:

Stewart Black – President  
Jeffrey Neal – Vice President  
Bryan Shields – Secretary  
Jason Banales – Director  
Doug Graff – Rodeo Director

Michael Pitta/Becky Bocky/Miss NGRA 2024  
Leela Alland  
Rosemary Tomasulo-Campos

### Board Members Absent:

David Hering – Treasurer  
Guy Puglisi – Trustee  
Chris Aguilar - Fundraising Director

### Available Positions:

Director at Large  
Sponsorship Chair

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President called the meeting to order 7:06 p.m. Quorum of Board was met. Meeting was held via Zoom.

### President's Report

- Report Submitted
- IGRA University went very well. Thank you to everyone who attended 2025 Convention, Doug for hosting and Jeffrey for serving as Chairperson.

### Vice President's Report

- Report Submitted
- Membership: 79 (Individual 45 + Lifetime 18)
- Remember to update your calendar for the Third Saturday of the month at The Phoenix Bar and Lounge from 6pm-8pm. Fundraising and Royalty Teams appreciate your presence and support as we move toward this year's BigHorn Rodeo and beyond.
- NGRA State Convention – was held at Casa De Baygo on March 2. Thank you so much Doug Graff for your hospitality and to Lizza and the team for providing a great lunch. Changes to the Bylaws and Standing Rules are in final review to be released by the end of the month.
- April's Show is our Closet Ball. Hope to see everyone there. If you would like to compete, please reach out to our Royalty Team to get on the list.
- **J.Neal moved to approve Jim Carnes/Scarlet Fever for membership. Second - B.Shields. Discussion. Approved via unanimous verbal vote.** Welcome back, Scarlet!

### Secretary's Report

- **D.Graff moved to approve the February 2025 meeting minutes. Second – J.Neal. Discussion. Approved by unanimous vote.**

### Treasurer's Report

- Report

### Trustee's Report

- No Report Submitted

### Director-At-Large Reports

- Jason Banales – Director
  - No Report Submitted

### Fundraising

- No Report Submitted
- Next Fundraising meeting to take place in person on Tuesday evening, April 1<sup>st</sup> (First Tuesday of the month) at 6:30p at Roadrunner, located on the corner of Washington and Buffalo.



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### Royalty Team

- Report Submitted
- Jazz-men Cha'nel-DeCarlo (Miss UGRA 2025) and Pup Mystic (Mx. IGRA 2025, 1RU) have reached out to Becky Bocky regarding an IGRA event in Vegas to fulfill both Becky and Jazz-men's IGRA competition requirements. Once the date is finalized and the poster is made, the poster will be sent out to the board for approval.

### Rodeo Planning Committee – RPC / Sponsorship

- No Report Submitted
- Next RPC Meeting Thursday, March 27 – via Zoom
- **D.Graff moved to approve Frank Marino as Grand Marshall. Second - J.Neal. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**
- Mel Cole and Rick Peter to be honored during the riderless horse ceremony.
- Thank you to Leela for the great work with Rodeo social media!

### Marketing

- No Report Submitted

### Unfinished Business

- N/A

### New Business

- **Stewart Black nominated Rosemary Tomasulo-Campos as Director at Large. Second – B.Shields. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**

**Quorum was met.**

### General Membership

- N/A

### General Membership - New Business

- Reminder – Closet Ball contestants are not required to be NGRA Members. Thank you to all interested contestants!
- **D.Graff nominated Leela Alland for all her phenomenal volunteerism with NGRA thus far. Second – R.Tomasulo-Campos. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.** Thank you, Leela!

**Quorum was met.**

**Board of Directors and General Membership Meetings adjourned at 7:54 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted by,  
Bryan Shields, NGRA Secretary 2018-2025