



Minutes from the Board of Directors Meeting – August 20, 2025

Attendees:

Stewart Black – President
Jeffrey Neal – Vice President
Bryan Shields – Secretary
David Hering – Treasurer
Guy Puglisi – Trustee
Doug Graff – Rodeo Director
Rosemary Tomasulo-Campos – Director
Jason Banales – Director

Michael Pitta/Becky Bocky/Miss NGRA 2025
TJ Leogardo
Leela Alland

Board Members Absent:

N/A

Available Positions:

Fundraising Director
Sponsorship Chair

President called the meeting to order 7:02 p.m. Quorum of Board was met. Meeting was held via Zoom.

President's Report

- Report Submitted
- Congratulations to Felinda Bush Mx NGRA on meeting the fundraising requirements to run for IGRA.
- NGRA is seeing a new Fundraising Director and Sponsorship Chair. Please contact Stewart Black or any Board Member if you are interested in either of these roles.

Vice President's Report

- Report Submitted
- Membership: 77 (Individual 45 + Lifetime 18)
- **Jeffrey Neal moved to change the Standing Rule to allow candidates that have been members for at least 6 months to be able to declare a candidacy for Royalty at the November Royalty Competition event; and had a Contestant status until the following year working with the Sashed team. Second – D. Graff. Discussion. Motion failed by unanimous verbal vote.**

Secretary's Report

- **Bryan Shields moved to approve the July 2025 meeting minutes. Second – D.Graff. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**

Treasurer's Report

- Report

Trustee's Report

- Report Submitted
- NGRA was drawn for the IGRA Royalty Competition judging as follows:
 - o Horsemanship: 8th alternate (Candy Pratt assigned)
 - o Western Wear/Public Presentation: (Guy Puglisi assigned as placeholder)
 - o Entertainment: 1st Alternate (Andrew Goodman assigned as placeholder)
- Convention delegates for IGRA Convention need to be decided. (November 13-16, 2025 – NGRA has 6 + 1 alternate).
 - o Guy Puglisi
 - o Jason Banales
 - o Doug Graff
 - o Dwayne Rennels
 - o Roger Bergman
 - o Andrew Goodman
 - o Jeffrey Neal (Alternate)



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Director-At-Large Reports

- Jason Banales – Director
 - No Report Submitted
- Rosemary Tomasulo-Campos – Director
 - No Report Submitted

Royalty Team

- Report Submitted
- **Jeffrey Neal moved to approve Becky Bocky hosting a fundraiser towards her travel fund on September 6, from 7-10p at Dust. Second – J.Banales. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.** Please come out and support!

Rodeo Planning Committee – RPC / Sponsorship

- Report Submitted
- Black Rodeo will be taking place on Friday, October 17 & Saturday, October 18, 2025. If you'd like to volunteer, please contact Doug Graff.

Fundraising

- No Report Submitted
- Next Fundraising meeting to take place in person on Tuesday evening, September 2nd (First Tuesday of the month) at 6:30p at Roadrunner, located on the corner of Washington and Buffalo.
- **Jeffrey Neal moved to approve the Workin' It Like Ladies of the 80's poster concept. Second – R. Tomasulo-Campos. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**

Marketing

- No Report Submitted

Unfinished Business

- N/A

New Business

- **David Hering moved to create "STANDING RULE TEN: BigHorn Rodeo Rookie Contestant Scholarship Fund" with edits. Second – D. Graff. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote. Vote to ratify finalized version by membership in September's General Membership unfinished business.**

Quorum was met.

General Membership – Unfinished Business

- N/A

General Membership - New Business

- N/A

Quorum was met.

Executive Session

General Membership meetings adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Board meeting and Executive Session adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

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