



Attendees:

Ken Hruby – President	Chad Hinerman
Chris Due – Vice President	Phil Lombardi
Jeffrey Neal– Secretary	RJ Frank
David Hering – Treasurer	Buzz Green
Guy Puglisi – Trustee	Roger Bergmann
Barry Jones – Director	David Wright
Carolyn Jones – Director	Lorry King
Kathy Alday – Director	Andrew Goodman
Brian Porras	

Board Positions Absent:
None

President called the meeting to order 6:31 p.m.

President asked everyone to be concise with their reports to accommodate some requests to complete the meetings more expediently.

President's Report

- **President would like to appoint Brenda Alday as the Webmaster. Second-J.Neal. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**
- **President has chosen to take on the responsibility of Election Chair for the upcoming Board Elections. Second-J.Neal. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**
- **K.Alday moved to change the November meeting to Monday, November 28 to accommodate travel back from IGRA Convention. Second-J.Neal. Discussion. Motion failed.**
- **G.Puglisi moved to change the November meeting to Tuesday, November 22 to accommodate travel back from IGRA Convention. Second-C.Jones. Discussion. Approved with one no vote.**
- President is calling for a member to come forward and take on the role of Membership Chair. If you are interested please reach out to the President.
- David Wright has offered to chair an effort to allow NGRA memorabilia to be displayed and shared at various events or places.
- WGRF has asked if NGRA is able to provide additional prize money.
- **J.Neal moved for NGRA to consider making a donation toward WGRF prize money. Second-G.Puglisi. Discussion. Motion failed.**
- 501C3 – IRS has sent back some inquiries which we are answering.
- SNAPI is in the throws of their 2016 PRIDE events so we have no further update on the pending monies from last year.

Vice President's Report

- Membership – of 91.
- Horseman's Park has confirmed the requested Rodeo Dates for 2017 Rodeo.
- Requested nominations for Member of the Month for September:
 - David Blackwood – for his work on making new contestant sashes
 - RJ Frank – for his unwavering support of the Fundraising Committee meeting and events.



Secretary's Report

- Minutes from September meeting were presented for review. J.Neal moved to approve. Second-D.Hering. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.

Treasurer's Report

- Report submitted and reviewed.

Trustee's Report

- Verification of Delegates for Convention: Lorry, Jeffrey, Roger, Ken, Andrew and Guy.

Director-At-Large Reports

- Barry - Report submitted
- Carolyn – Report submitted

Fundraising

- Reviewed recent events and activities.
- Brenda, Kathy and Joshua presented NGRA \$515 for the Football events from 9/19-10/10.
- Fright Night made \$465
- Line Dancing events on Thursday have raised \$439 from 9/15-10/6
- NGRA Gives Thanks event will be at FLEX on November 12th. Katrina Davenport scheduled to emcee.
- Thanks to all the Board members that have donated toward gift baskets and prizes.
- Please continue to have a Board Member presence at the events and the bars – and also realize that we are doing a lot of recruitment of new members.
- Please have any discussions with the Bar for instructions for activity come through the Fundraising Chair. There should only be one contact.
- **Next Fundraising meeting will be announced via the newsletter and email blast**

Pre-Rodeo Committee (PRC)

- BigHorn Rodeo 2017 will be held at Horseman's Park on September 22-24, 2017

Royalty Team

- No formal Reports submitted.

Historian

- No Report submitted
- Has received an old NGRA flag and is going to be requesting further information and history related to this item.

Newsletter

- Deadline for submissions for pictures, articles and information is 23rd for the next newsletter.
- Barry expressed his concern over the lack of information he is receiving. He is spending a lot of time trying to get people to contribute. Please get stories, commentary, and all positive contributions to him so he can provide a great product monthly.
- Looking for further ways to improve or enhance the information. Any ideas for stories can be sent to News@NGRA.com



Royalty Competition

- Report submitted
- D.Blackwood is working to update the Contestant Sashes. And the Winner Sashes for the 2017 team.
- Sash pins have also been ordered.
- Researched – and determined that GIST can provide buckles as needed by the event .
- Low cost venue for interview has not presented itself as of yet. J.Neal offered to schedule space at his offices at US TelePacific, 3300 N. Cimarron Road, Las Vegas, NV 89129. Barry and Jeffrey will arrange the logistics.
- Barry moved for NGRA to host a cocktail party at his home on Sunday, November 27th, for contestants, judges and everyone who has helped with Competition. Second-C.Due. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.

Unfinished Business

- None

New Business

- Andrew Goodman presented opportunities for NGRA to participate in IGRA University this year by offering an educational outreach for Friday of IGRA-U weekend in January 2017
 - Chutes training
 - Horse activities
 - Arena Activities
- **J. Neal moved to have NGRA accept the proposed activities and sponsor the educational outreach events for that Friday and the \$250 fee for Horseman’s Park. Second-D.Hering. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**

Quorum was met.

General Membership

- Requested nominations for Member of the Month for September:
 - David Blackwood – for his work on making new contestant sashes
 - RJ Frank – for his unwavering support of the Fundraising Committee meeting and events.
- **Congratulations RJ.**
- RJ shared his history with Rodeo in FL. He requested that we provide better support from the Board for all aspects of the organization. Better representation, better focus on what is going on, and support for the few people that are participating – much less doing all of the work to try and raise funds and awareness for what the organization stands for.
- **B.Jones moved for the Board to go into executive session for the purpose of reviewing items for the upcoming Royalty Competition. Second-D.Hering. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**

General membership adjourned, and Board adjourned into Executive Session at 7:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeffrey Neal, NGRA Secretary