



Attendees:

Ken Hruby – President
Chris Due – Vice President
Jeffrey Neal– Secretary
David Hering – Treasurer
Guy Puglisi – Trustee
Barry Jones – Director
Carolyn Jones – Director
Kathy Alday – Director
Chris Sanders
Jason Dyer
Brian Porras

Chad Hinerman
Phil Lombardi
RJ Frank
Buzz Green
Roger Bergmann
David Wright
Gary Segal
Johnny Bob Dalton
Mark Pierce - Locker Room (Guest)

Board Positions Absent:
None

President called the meeting to order 6:30 p.m.

Introduced guest speaker, Mark Pierce from The Locker Room, who extended an invite for NGRA to return to the bar for fundraising events. Fundraising Chair, K.Alday advised that beyond the Monday Night Football events that are currently scheduled, a quarterly event might be possible between now and the end of the year.

President's Report

- Received input from recent executive retreat to set up a Finance Committee to review our finances.
- **D.Hering moved to appoint Lorry King to be the head of the new Finance Committee. Second-C.Jones. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**
- **Trustee Election results are in. Lorry King has been elected to be the next Trustee.**
- Upcoming election for the Vice President, Treasurer, and three Director positions will be open for next year's Board. Nominations and interest will be circulated over the next month.
- New WebMaster is being sought to take over the website and possibly revamp the site to more current software. C.Jones will be taking over the email notifications and the President will talk to another member that has expressed some interest.
- President was advised that the language, attire and demeanor presented at a recent show may have been too risqué or inappropriate. The President suggested to those involved with fundraising and events that we want to make sure the shows are appropriate. The team agreed that we need to keep it fun.
- Recent retreat recommended that we have a person focused on Membership including keeping the list current, handling renewals, and general outreach like the Sunshine Committee. If you are interested please contact the President.
- Recent retreat recommended that we have a traveling NGRA Exhibit – a moving display that can be presented at fairs, local businesses, or events. The President is also looking for someone to oversee this project.
- SNAPI has advised that they will contact us after this year's PRIDE event to close out from least years funds still owed.



Minutes from the Board of Directors Meeting – September 19, 2016

- 501-C(3) Update – we have heard back from the IRS with further clarification requests. President and Treasurer will review the answers.
- Several event posters were approved over the past month by the President and were included in the packet.

Vice President's Report

- Membership – of 91.
- Requested nominations for Member of the Month for August:
 - Kathy Alday – for her work with Fundraising
- **C.Due nominated Bob Edwards, a Founding Member of NGRA and the first NGRA President, and his partner, NGRA Founding Member Randy Larson, to have Lifetime memberships. Discussion. Approved by split vote. Four yay, Three nay.**

Secretary's Report

- **Minutes from August meeting were presented for review. B.Jones moved to approve. Second-C.Jones. Discussion. Approved with one abstention.**

Treasurer's Report

- Report submitted and reviewed.

Trustee's Report

- No further report.

Director-At-Large Reports

- Barry - Report submitted
- Carolyn – Report submitted
- Kathy – Report submitted
 - Covered items that have been going on this past month and items that fed into Fundraising.

Fundraising

- Calendar submitted.
- Received poster concept for November 12 Gives Thanks Event.
- **K.Alday moved to accept the Give Thanks poster concept. Second-C.Jones. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**
- December's event will be Country Winter Wonderland. December 10. Poster provided for concept approval.
- **D.Hering moved to accept the Winter Wonderland poster concept. Second-J.Neal. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**
- Discussion of last Saturday of the month events at Charlie's - hosting the Beer Bust.
- Fundraising team is looking for additional support with raffle prizes.
- **Next Fundraising meeting will be announced via the newsletter and email blast**

Pre-Rodeo Committee (PRC)

- C.Due has discussed dates with Horseman's Park
- Reviewed dates of September 22-24, 2017
- That puts three rodeos back to back next year on the west coast.
- Talking with potential Rodeo Director candidates.



- **J.Neal moved to approve the PRC to move forward with BigHorn Rodeo 2017 on September 22-24, 2017 at Horseman’s Park in Las Vegas. Second-KAlday. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**

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.
- 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
- Kendra Jay Litter (aka Ken Wells) and Phat Patty (aka Chris Sanders) will be competing for Miss NGRA 2017.
- Brian Porras and Jason Dyer will be competing for Mr. NGRA 2017
- Chris Due and Katrina Davenport Jewel will be hosting the event
- Taylor Trash will be supporting the Sashing activities at the event
- David Wright will be assisting the event logistics
- Jeffrey Neal will be auditing the scoring activities.
- Preliminary list of judges is being prepared.

Unfinished Business

- None

New Business

- **J.Neal moved to approve Mark Pierce of the Locker Room an honorary membership for the remainder of the 2016 calendar year. Second-C.Due. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**
- **D.Herring moved to approve Joe Cervantes of the Locker Room an honorary membership for the remainder of the 2016 calendar year. Second-K.Alday. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**

President requested an Executive Session of the Board. Second-J.Neal. Approved by verbal vote. Executive session was called at 8:17 p.m.

Quorum was met at 9:26 pm.



General Membership

- Nominations for August Member of the Month:
 - Kathy Alday – for her work with Fundraising
 - **J.Neal moved to accept by acclamation. Discussion.**
 - **Congratulations Kathy.**
- **Founding Member of NGRA Bob Edwards, who was also the first NGRA President and his partner, NGRA Founding Member Randy Larson, are being presented by the Board for ratification by the membership to have Lifetime memberships. Discussion. Approved by split vote. 2 Against.**
- **Two honorary memberships were presented by the Board: Mark Pierce, Joe Cervantes of the Locker Room. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**

Board adjourned at 9:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeffrey Neal, NGRA Secretary