



Minutes from the Board of Directors Meeting – February 21, 2024

Attendees:

Stewart Black – President
Bryan Shields – Secretary
Jeffrey Neal – Vice President
David Hering – Treasurer
Guy Puglisi – Trustee
Christopher Aguilar – Director
Douglas Graff – Director & Rodeo Director
Ken Wells – Fundraising Director

Marshall Hughes
Becky Bocky/Michael Pitta
Tequila Mockingbird/Jason Banales
David Wells
Tony Alvarez

Board Members Absent:

Patrick Terry – Director

President called the meeting to order 7:10 p.m. Quorum of Board was met. Meeting was held via Zoom.

President's Report

- Report
- Reminder to attend Nevada Gay Rodeo Association State Convention on Sunday, February 25, 2024.
- Reminder: any proposed bylaw changes are due to secretary@ngra.com by Friday 2/23. It's most ideal to have them ahead of time! However, they may be brought up during New Business portion of the meeting.

Vice President's Report

- Membership: 82 Members: 8 Honorary, 3 Contestant Members. 71 Voting Members.
- Report Submitted
- Reminder that Nevada Gay Rodeo Annual State Convention will be an in-person meeting on Sunday, February 25, 2024, at 10am. The meeting will be held at TPx Communications located at: 3300 N. Cimarron Rd, Las Vegas, NV 89129. Thank you TPx Communications!

Secretary's Report

- **D.Hering moved to approve January meeting minutes with minor edits. C.Aguilar – Second. Discussion. Approved unanimously.**

Treasurer's Report

- Report Submitted

Trustee's Report

- No Report

Director-At-Large Reports

- Patrick Terry – Director
 - No Report
- Douglas Graff – Director
 - No Report
- Christopher Aguilar – Director
 - Report

Fundraising

- Report
- **K.Wells moved to approve up to \$100 to clean and replace a broken mirror piece, and up to an additional \$100 towards the purchase of a saddle stand for the disco ball saddle that was donated to NGRA from Badlands. D.Hering – Second. Discussion.**
 - **Amended motion: Up to \$100 total for cleaning and saddle repairs only. D.Hering – Second. Discussion. Motion passed by unanimous verbal vote.**



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- For historical reference, this saddle disco ball hung inside Badlands for the last 20 years.
- Thank you, D.Graff, for donating a saw horse in lieu of a saddle stand.

Royalty Team

- Reports Submitted
- **M.Hughes moved to approve use of NGRA assets to be used on long sleeve shirts to be worn at out-of-town events while representing. K.Wells – Second. Discussion. Motion was withdrawn.**
- **D.Hering moved to approve the purchase of NGRA long sleeve shirts for our four Royalty Team under the condition that they all match and use colors from the NGRA logo. G.Puglisi – Second. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**
- **G.Puglisi moved to proceed with research and planning of a potential beer garden at an upcoming community picnic in partnership with Imperial Court on Sunday, May 19, 2024. D.Hering – Second. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**

Rodeo Planning Committee - RPC

- No Report
- Please reach out to your contacts to assist with buckle sales. Your assistance is greatly appreciated!
- **D.Graff moved that NGRA renew subscription for RodeoGo software at \$19.99 per month leading up to BigHorn Rodeo, up to an approximate \$60 investment. B.Shields – Second. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**
- **D.Graff moved that NGRA fund BigHorn Rodeo with \$10,000 from the rodeo reserve fund to be returned at the conclusion of the rodeo. D.Hering – Second. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**

Sponsorship

- Report Submitted
- If anyone would be interested in taking over as Sponsorship Director, please let Stewart Black know.

Marketing

- Report Submitted
- If anyone would be interested in taking over as Marketing Director, please let Stewart Black know.

Unfinished Business

- N/A

New Business

- Lupine Entertainment fundraising opportunity presented for review and consideration.
- Discussion regarding incident prior to a recent fundraiser and expectations of our Royalty and Fundraising teams, and our organization moving forward. Work together, show unwavering gratitude for and express sincere thanks to all our community partners and volunteers.

Quorum was met.

General Membership

- N/A

Board Meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Bryan Shields, NGRA Secretary 2018-2026