



Attendees:

Doug Graff – President  
Ken Hruby – Vice President  
Jeffrey Neal– Secretary  
David Hering – Treasurer  
Bill Trunzo - Director  
Guy Puglisi – Trustee

Laura Scott – Rodeo Director  
Michael Yarborough  
Joseph Gurican  
Ken Wells  
David Wells

Board Members Absent:  
Carolyn Jones – Director  
David Wright – Historian

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

President's Report

- Attended Closet Ball – lots of fun energy.
- Attended the Third Annual Homecoming at The Center.

Vice President's Report

- Membership – 89
- Member of the Year Results
  - **Joseph Gurican -- Congratulations**
- Requested nominations for March member of the month for activities performed in March.
  - Gary Wiens (Stephan) for his work with Miss Cow Patty Contest

Secretary's Report

- Minutes from March meeting were presented. **Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**
- All committee heads are reminded to submit any meeting date requests where they need space at The Center through the secretary so that we can confirm room dates and locations.

Treasurer's Report

- Treasurer's reports on March were submitted.
- Reviewed the income activity and questions on reports

Trustee's Report

- Next IGRA Board meeting is in Little Rock, AR.
- Finals is looking for rodeos to be advertising in the program in October.

Director-At-Large Reports

- Carolyn – report submitted.
  - Glass Panels in the showcase at Charlie's have been replaced
- Bill – No report



### Royalty Team

- Outlined the events that were attended in March and so far in April.
- Outlined some of the upcoming events that will be attended.
- Planning fundraiser in preparation for his bid to IGRA Royalty Competition this Fall. June 20<sup>th</sup>. Temptation Island. Asking community partners and the Board to provide a decorated Flamingo for the event.

### Fundraising

- Report submitted.
  - Reported on Closet Ball event... it was a great success
  - Flex event is coming together – format has been agreed upon.
  - Requested approval of June 27 and September 26 at Badlands - Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.
  - **July 29<sup>th</sup> Flyer reviewed for approval. Several changes recommended. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**
  - **June 27<sup>th</sup> Flyer reviewed for approval. Several changes recommended. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**
  - **June 13<sup>th</sup> Flyer reviewed for approval. Several changes recommended. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**
  - **July 18<sup>th</sup> Flyer reviewed for approval. Several changes recommended. Discussion. Approve by unanimous verbal vote.**
- **Next fundraising meeting will be Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Carolyn & Barry Jones.**

### BigHorn Rodeo

- Report submitted with one update – water is \$2.99 per case.
- Host hotel – Alexis Park - has sold over 100 room nights so far.
- Set for the Pool Party with the models
- MedicWest has confirmed as well as the Vet and Ferrier.
- Hat vendor has offered a hat to us to raise funds with – in honor of Curtiss Lewis
- Stock Contract and insurance issues are handled.
- Shepplers has provided product for the event.
- Will be meeting with Southern Wine & Spirits this week.
- Dates for bag stuffing will be May 5<sup>th</sup>.
- Banners are getting picked up this week.
- Set up will be Thursday – looking to get 95% of things completed on that day. Many hands make light work.
- Rodeo Schedule:
  - Wed May 6<sup>th</sup> – 7 pm – Bingo
  - Thurs May 7<sup>th</sup> – Scavenger Hunt – 5:45 pm shuttle from Host Hotel
  - Fri May 8<sup>th</sup>
    - Pool Party – Alexis Park – Noon
    - Fashion Show – Alexis Park – 3 pm
    - Barrel Race – 5:00 pm at Horseman’s Park
    - Registration is 5 pm – 8 pm at Horseman’s Park
    - Party in the Park is following Registration



- Sat May 9<sup>th</sup> – Rodeo Day 1 – 11 am – Until
  - 9 pm – Charlie’s with Phoenix Heat Wave performing
- Sun May 10<sup>th</sup> – Rodeo Day 2 – 11 am – Until
  - Awards 8 pm at the Park
- **Future Meeting Schedule**
  - **April: 29<sup>th</sup>**
  - **May: 5<sup>th</sup>**

#### Public Relations

- No report

#### Historian

- No report

#### Newsletter

- Deadline for submissions for pictures, articles and information is 23rd for the next newsletter.
- Any ideas for stories can be sent to [News@NGRA.com](mailto:News@NGRA.com)

#### Unfinished Business

- **Election Results:**
  - **President: Doug Graff**
  - **Vice President: Ken Hruby**
  - **Secretary: Jeffrey Neal**
  - **Treasurer: David Hering**
  - **Director 1: Joseph Gurican**
  - **Director 2: Phil Lombardi**
  - **Director 3: Michael Yarborough**
  - **Director 4: Carolyn Jones**
- New Board takes office May 1<sup>st</sup>. All current and newly elected members are expected to be at the next meeting.

#### New Business

- **State Convention – will be on June 7<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 am – location will be confirmed and circulated.**
- Request from Fundraising for the Board to decorate a flamingo for the July event. J.Gurican agreed to head up the activity.
- **Vacant Royalty position**
  - **BTrunzo moved to appoint D.Blackwood aka Taylor Trash as Miss NGRA 2015. Second-G.Puglisi. Discussion. Approved by verbal vote with one nay.**
- **GPuglisi moved we waive the initiation fee for any members with expired memberships that wish to renew between now and June 30<sup>th</sup>. Second-B.Trunzo. Discussion. Approved with one nay and one abstention.**

**Quorum was met.**



General Membership

- Requested nominations for March member of the month for activities performed in March.
  - Gary Wiens for his work on Miss Cow Patty
- K.Wells moved to accept by acclamation. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.
- **Congratulations to Gary Wiens.**

Board adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeffrey Neal, NGRA Secretary