



Attendees:

Chris Due – Vice President - Presiding	Roger Bergmann
Jeffrey Neal– Secretary	Brenda Alday
David Hering – Treasurer	Brian Porras
Lorry King – Trustee	Chad Hinermann
Bill Trunzo – Director	Brian Shields
Kathy Alday – Director	Barry Jones
Richard Frank – Fundraising Director	Carolyn Jones
Phil Lombardi	
David C. Wright	

Board Members Absent:

Ken Hruby – President
Andrew Goodman – Director

Vice-President called the meeting to order 6:32 p.m. Quorum of Board was met.

President's Report

- No items to report.

Vice President's Report

- Membership – of 72.
- Attended Road Runner Regional Rodeo - which was rained out.
- Requested nominations for Member of the Month for January:
 - No nominations received.
- Membership of the Year for 2016 will be put in the newsletter and posted for member vote.

Secretary's Report

- **Minutes from January meeting were presented for review. J.Neal moved to approve. Second-L.King. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote with one abstention.**
- State Convention location has been offered by B.Trunzo. Address where we will hold the meeting: 5385 Wynn Road, Las Vegas, NV 89118. Jeffrey advised that if you have suggested rule proposals to get them to either the President, Secretary, or Convention Chair – Roger Bergmann. The Bylaws are on the website and so are the contact emails.

Treasurer's Report

- Report submitted and reviewed.
- Question arose on do we have a letter to provide those that donate now that we are 501c(3)

Trustee's Report

- Report submitted.
- IGRA Pins are now available at rodeos and on the IGRA Website.
- Dance committee is holding a dance in Dallas June 8-11, 2017 with social dance, workshops, competition and exhibitions
- Chris Due was alternate trustee at the Phoenix Rodeo.



Director-At-Large Reports

- Andrew – no report.
- Bill – Report submitted
- Kathy – Report Submitted
 - Presented NGRA with over \$2,000 in proceeds from Monday Night Football events and thanks everyone who has supported them for the past few years.

Fundraising

- Fundraising Committee met
- Miss CowPatty and Closet ball have been postponed from the scheduled dates in 2017. The Board suggested that they be rescheduled by next meeting.
- Fundraising team research the Raffle idea further and has determined we can do it and the cost for state license would be \$5 and a \$25 application fee.
- J.Neal moved to approve the Fundraising team to proceed with the raffle idea including expending the costs of the state license fee and application fee up to \$30. Second-B.Trunzo. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.
- Fundraising team proposed to hold a First Annual *COUNTRY DIVAS OF LAS VEGAS*. The event would be held on June 17th, at Charlie's, and is intended to have a celebrity drag personalities to Emcee for the event. Board requested to have more information and a concrete outline.
- Fundraising is considering having a Miss BigHorn Rodeo 2017 or something like that; and considering ways to make that happen.
- **Next Fundraising meeting will be March 8th at the Orleans food court. We will send reminders by email and newsletter.**

Rodeo Planning Committee - RPC

- BigHorn Rodeo 2017 will be held at Horseman's Park on September 22-24, 2017
- RPC has appointed Brenda Alday as Assistant Rodeo Director for the non-Arena areas. Still working on an additional person for the Arena areas.
- Working on the budget framework.
- Dates for the RPC to meet have not been set yet but will be scheduled for regular times coming up by next month.
- Discussion of vendor form and any changes needed to get the form out.

Royalty Team

- Review of the events they have participated in during the past month.
- Very present at Phoenix rodeo handing out cards

Historian

- No report submitted

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



State Convention

- NGRA will be holding the annual State Convention meeting on Saturday, March 11th at 10am. Address where we will hold the meeting: 5385 Wynn Road, Las Vegas, NV 89118 courtesy of Bill Trunzo.
- Please get any suggested proposals to Roger or the Secretary.

Unfinished Business

- None

New Business

- Discussion on setting our charity beneficiaries early in the year so we can be promoting them all year long.
- It was suggested that the recommendations for charities be given to the RPC to consider and bring back to the Board next month.

Quorum was met.

General Membership

- Requested nominations for Member of the Month for January:
 - Chad Hinermann for his support of Royalty and NGRA shows
 - Andrew Goodman for his work on IGRA University
- **Vote taken by ballot.**
- **Congratulations Andrew.**
- C.Jones moved that the President or Treasurer approach other member organization s of SNAPI love program charities to ascertain if they were paid. Second-L.King. Discussion. Motion failed.
- Reminder that March is one of the Men of Charlie’s contests benefiting NGRA.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeffrey Neal, NGRA Secretary