



Attendees:

Doug Graff – President
David Blackwood – Vice President
Jeffrey Neal– Secretary
David Hering - Treasurer
Bill Trunzo – Director
Joel Castillo – Director
Brent Rosinski – Director
Chris Reynolds – Director
Guy Puglisi – Trustee
Jason Metzger

Ryan McPherson
Preston (Charli) Phillips
Ephraim Cervantes
Julio Heredia
Laura Scott
Ken Wells
Cristina DiGioia
Lin Hansen

Board Members Absent:

Meeting called to order 6:31 p.m.

President's Report

- Working with UNLV Rodeo group to hold a possible rodeo school and other education opportunities.
- **President nominated Ken Wells as Historian. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**

Vice President's Report

- Report submitted.
- Current membership is at 102.
- Requested nominations for September of the month for activities performed in August:
 - Carolyn Jones – for her coordination of Pride Volunteers .

Secretary's Report

- Minutes from August meeting were presented. **D.Hering moved to approve the minutes with two changes. Second-J.Castillo. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote .**

Treasurer's Report

- Report submitted.
- Updated financials of the past few events.

Trustee's Report

- Judges for IGRA Royalty
 - Laura Scott – Entertainment
 - Andrew Goodman - Interview
- IGRA Convention – setting of Delegates and Alternates – reviewed and got volunteers to be delegates and alternates at IGRA Convention.
- Guy will assign committee participation closer to the event.



Minutes from the Board of Directors Meeting – September 16, 2013

- IGRA Awards - took recommendations for plaques recognizing some of our key sponsors and supporters for Gay Rodeo.
- Gay Games 2014 – early registration amounts are increasing.
- HSRA is not going to maintain membership. Guy verified that any members could come back to NGRA and that we could reclaim the territory if there are at least 10 members in that area.
- G.Puglisi moved that any member of HSRA wanted to join NGRA we would honor their current paid membership through the end of the calendar year.

Director-At-Large Reports

- Bill – Pride Parade went very well.
- Brent – no report
- Chris – no report
- Joel – no report

Royalty Team

- Discussed logistics for Katrina’s Brunch.

Fundraising

- Report Submitted
- Reviewed recent events
- Outlined new upcoming events
- Moved to approve three new events
 - Nov 9th – Gospel Theme
 - Dec 14th – Dance your Pants Off
 - 2014 Garage Dates -- 1/25, 4/26, 7/19, 10/25
- **J.Neal seconded to accept the dates above and the Monday Night Football dates. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**
- Upcoming Events
 - Sept 29 – Club Metro – Beer Bust Social
 - Monday Night Football events at Charlie’s benefitting NGRA (9/30, 10/28, 11/25, 12/23)
 - Oct 6 – Charlie’s – Royalty Chuck Wagon
 - Oct 12 – NCOD - booth
 - Oct 12 – Charlie’s - Boys Night Out
 - Oct 26 – The Garage – Beer Bust
 - **Next fundraising meeting Tuesday, October 1st @ 6:30 p.m. at The Center.**

BigHorn Rodeo

- Report submitted.
- Assistants have been chosen: Ken Hruby and Matt Cox.
- Other positions beginning to be filled. Interested parties that wish to be part of RPC should come to the meetings on 2nd Monday’s

Public Relations

- Report submitted
- Is working on articles in several publications.
- Presenting all of our upcoming events – Royalty competition, Rodeo etc.



- Flyers for Competition are being placed in the All Vegas Horses newsletter.
- Working on Membership opportunities and discussing the organization wherever we can.
- Remember to use the full name when stating our acronym... help others not make mistakes on what NGRA stands for.
- Would like volunteers to assist with a few PR videos on what and who we are. See Brent to express interest.
- **B.Rosinski moved to move the October Board meeting to 10/24. D.Hering-Second. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**
- B.Rosinski advised of an opportunity to sponsor a \$250 brick at Horseman's Park. Will get the specs and report back.

Newsletter

- Deadline for submissions for pictures, articles and information is 23rd for the next newsletter.

Royalty Competition

- Team is collecting top auction prizes and gifts.... Anyone that has items can donate.
- October 4th – Horseshoes & Hardwood – at Charlie's 9 pm

Unfinished Business

- Trustee Election Results - Guy Puglisi will be returning as Trustee for the next three year term. Congratulations Guy.

New Business

- President is looking for someone to chair an Educational Committee to teach the membership. Please see Doug if you are interested.
- **C.Reynolds moved that we get a bid together for 2015 Convention to be presented in San Diego. B.Trunzo-Second. Discussion. Approved by unanimous verbal vote. L.Scott agreed to lead this effort.**

Quorum was established.

General Membership

- Nominations for September Member of the Month.
 - Carolyn Jones – for her work with Pride Volunteers.
- Doug moved to accept by acclamation. JNeal-Second. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.
- Congratulations to Carolyn Jones.

- Board presented to change the October meeting to 10/24. RMcPherson-Second. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.

Board adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey Neal
NGRA Secretary