



The meeting was called to order by President Blackwood at 6:39 p.m.

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| David Blackwood – President         | Ric Franklin |
| Jeffrey Neal– Secretary             | Bill Watkins |
| David Hering - Treasurer            | JD Jensen    |
| Winsor Cooper III – Member at Large | Tony Clark   |
| Colin Moulton – Member at Large     |              |
| Doug Graff – Member at Large        |              |
| Shaun Sewell                        |              |

Board Members Absent:

Joel Castillo – Vice President  
Mitch Gill – Member at Large  
Brian Rogers – Trustee

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#### President's Report

- Report submitted.
- **President appointed Doug Graff as Royalty Liaison in support and mentor to the team as they complete their year and look to represent NGRA at IGRA. C.Moulton moved. Second-D.Hering. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**
- Trustee position will be up for election this year and according to Bylaws, ballots would go out in August for election by September and the position will begin for three years come January. President would like to appoint D.Hering as Election Chair to oversee this to make sure it happens. **W.CooperIII moved to appoint D. Hering as Election Chair. C.Moulton – Second. Discussion on stipend to be considered as offered to any candidate. Approved by verbal vote with one abstention.**

#### Vice President's Report

- Report submitted.
- Membership at 99.
- Nominees for Member of the Month. Shaun – nominated Jason C. for his support of Pride weekend events (cash donation, selling at events, and support of all fundraisers)

#### Secretary's Report

Minutes from May meeting were presented. Doug Graff requested a change to the Fundraising notes to show Board felt the lower prices downtown was a better fit for the event. **D.Hering Moved to accept with the change. C.Moulton - Second. Approved by unanimous verbal vote.**

#### Treasurer's Report

- Report submitted.
- Reviewed financial accounts and balances.
- Showed a breakout of how the fundraisers to date are working and pointed out that there is a deficit that needs to be made up. David is asking the Fundraising committee to discuss this as a



group and come up with an action plan on how we can make the monies that are already budgeted against expenditures.

- Tax Accountant has been called and email but has not responded. David is going to work with Winsor to see if we can make contact to determine if the taxes which were due May 31 were filed.

#### Trustee's Report

- Report submitted.
- Action item regarding Logo'd barrel wraps to be donated to finals. Per President, this item has been handled separately and is being pulled.
- Brian requests the Board to approve to increase sponsorship dollars from \$300 to \$500 for the Convention in Reno, NV in November. Some discussion but the motion failed for lack of a second but can be discussed again.

#### Member-At-Large Reports

Winsor Cooper III – no report

Doug Graff – looking forward to working with the Royalty and will meet with them quickly after the meeting to touch base and share some ideas.

Colin Moulton – State Convention is next month. To date there have been no requests for changes but several people have some ideas and will get with Colin. Deadline is the 23<sup>rd</sup> of June for change submissions.

D.Graff moved to allocate up to \$100 to go toward food for the State Convention. Second – W.CooperIII. Discussion. Approved with one abstention.

#### Royalty

- Ric & JD would like the Board to approve the two charities, Sin City Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence and Shiloh Charitable Trust, as beneficiaries of the NGRA Fundraising Trust to be disbursed with \$325 to Shiloh and \$652 to the Sisters with checks to be cut by June 26th. J.Neal-moved. Second-D.Hering. Discussion. Approved with unanimous verbal vote.
- Kimberli has a show scheduled at Charlie's this Friday, June 18<sup>th</sup> – Real Housewives of Las Vegas (Trailer Park Edition). He will have jello shots, raffles, and would like all proceeds to go to his IGRA Charity in support of his bid for IGRA Royalty. D.Hering-moved. D.Graff-Second. Approved with unanimous verbal vote.
- Friday, July 16 - Joint Show with Kimberli and DeShannon. Kimberli would like her half of the proceeds to go to Sin City Sisters. D.Hering moved. W.Cooper – Second. Motion approved with unanimous verbal vote.
- Friday, Aug 13 - JD & Kimberli would like to host a travel fundraiser in conjunction with the Bootsie and Jason in order to raise funds for all four individual's travel. D.Graff – Moved. D.Hering – Second. Approved with unanimous verbal vote.
- JD represented in Salt Lake City at the Coronation there.
- JD attended the Empowerment Group - Superhero Party
- JD asked to discuss the past weekend's misunderstanding regarding fund disbursement activity: approvals and the miscommunications. Royalty felt that it had been announced who the NGRA Trust funds would go to. It was asked which meeting this was brought up to and it was not at a Board meeting specifically but the Royalty Team was under the assumption that they needed no further approvals. Doug suggested that we consider a written check request process so that we



have a way to track such requests in the future. Tony recommended to consider doing an email vote in the future. The Board will take this under consideration.

#### Fundraising Report

- No Report submitted.
- June Events
  - 12<sup>th</sup> - Charlies – Night at the Tony's
  - 18<sup>th</sup> – Kimberli Foxx IGRA show at Charlie's – Real Housewives of Las Vegas
  - 19<sup>th</sup> – DeShannon IGRA show at Charlie's – Miss Nobody
  - 26<sup>th</sup> – Badlands – Life's A Beach
- July Events
  - 10<sup>th</sup> - Charlies – Hot & Bothered
  - 16<sup>th</sup> – Kimberli Foxx & DeShannon IGRA show at Badlands
  - 17<sup>th</sup> – DeShannon IGRA show at Charlie's – Past Royalty
  - 24<sup>th</sup> – Badlands – Cowboys & Leather (with League of Gentlemen)
- August Events
  - 13<sup>th</sup> - Joint show with Imperial Court at Charlie's
  - 14<sup>th</sup> – Charlie's – Evening of Duets
  - 21<sup>st</sup> – Laughlin Bus Trip
  - 27<sup>th</sup> – DeShannon – IGRA Fundraiser – Badlands
  - 28<sup>th</sup> – Badlands – Pumps & Pearls (with The Imperial Court)
- Discussion of upcoming shows and Fundraising meeting
- Discussion on getting flyers into the bars on time. Issue discussed about who is responsible. Ric said he would take responsibility of production and placement of posters.
- Discussed the size of the ads in the newsletters and the equality of the promotions for the various shows and bars.
- Board requests the Fundraising Committee to review the relationships with the bars and establish a Memorandum of Agreement with both of the host bars by August 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Discussed moving the night of the meeting since Wednesdays are becoming problematic for several members.

#### Marketing/Advertising

- **D.Hering moved to re-appoint Shaun Sewell as Marketing Point Person for the next Board Term. W.CooperIII-Second. Approved with unanimous verbal vote.**

#### Newsletter

- Deadline is the 23<sup>rd</sup> of the month for all articles, photos, and submissions for the next newsletter.

#### IGRA Finals

- No report. – Covered in the Trustee's Report.

#### Unfinished Business

- Nothing to report.



New Business

- B.Watkins reminded the Board that the Secretary is to be providing the meeting minutes to the President within five days. Suggested that we post the meetings sooner with "Draft" under them until they are approved at the next meeting.
- **Doug moved that for the month of July and every month thereafter, to hold the Board meeting and the General Membership meeting on the same date with the time to start at 6:30 p.m. with the GM meeting following, and to move the Board Meetings to the Third Monday of the month. D.Hering – Second. Discussion. Approved with unanimous verbal vote.**
- Doug advised that if the Laughlin Bus trip is successful with the bus fully loaded with participants, the organization stands to make six-times the proceeds of a bar fundraiser. While this is one event, we need to get creative and think of more ideas that are outside the box, outside the norm, and look for new and different.

Adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Jeffrey Neal  
NGRA Secretary

NGRA – General Membership Meeting – Minutes 6/21/10

**Attendees:**

David Blackwood, President

Joel Castillo, Vice President

Jeffrey Neal, Secretary

David Herring, Treasurer

Mitch Gill – Member at Large

Brian Rogers - Trustee

Ric Franklin

Shaun Sewell

John Grubbs

Robert Presby

Laura Scott

Bill Trunzo

Bill Watkins

James Crawford

Tony Clark

Board Members Absent:

Winsor Cooper III – Member at Large

Doug Graff – Member at Large

Colin Moulton – Member at Large

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President's Report

Last week at the Board of Director's meeting, we decided to condense the Board of Director's meeting night with the General Membership meeting night. We will be getting notice out to the membership and so going forward with July, the Third Monday will be both the Board of Directors at 6:30 p.m. followed by the General Membership meeting at the Center. The Fundraising meeting will be moved to the Second Monday at the Center so we will still have our two nights there.

NGRA State Convention is coming up on the 18<sup>th</sup> of July. It will be held at Colin Moulton's office at CSI Nevada at 770 Pilot Road, Suite I, Las Vegas, NV 89119, and will start at 11 a.m. Details are in the BigHorn Gazette. Proposals are accepted through June 23<sup>rd</sup>, and any additional changes will be accepted on the Convention Floor.

Doug Graff has been appointed by the President as the Royalty Liaison to assist them in their bid for IGRA Royalty Team at the end of the year.

Vice President's Report

100 Members, including a new member this past month and a renewal which just came through.

Jason C. has been nominated for Member of the Month for his work with Pride. The floor was opened for additional nominations, and having none, Jason

Secretary's Report

Minutes from May were presented for approval D.Hering moved to accept. B.Rogers-second. Approved with unanimous verbal vote.

#### Treasurer's Report

Review of current Financial status and the fundraisers in May. Miss Closet Ball \$554 and Memorial Celebration \$181

Tax Accountant was discussed at Board Meeting and we were unable to reach him and unsure if our taxes were filed. Since that meeting we have received a notice that an extension was filed. The Board is working to get this taken care of.

#### Trustee's Report

Organization is going a great job of being represented at all the Rodeos. We may still have an opening in Tulsa, OK if anyone is going there.

The World Gay Games is well on its way and IGRA is now working on events to be a part of the event. It is a huge undertaking but should improve

Rodeo Officials Evaluation Program is getting a lot of focus. This is to be more objective a process so that it is not just a "most popular" activity for the officials at rodeos. Very paper heavy at the moment but looking to

2011 Board Meeting Locations - St. Louis, D

Finals Committee –

IGRA Awards

IGRA Convention – sponsorships are badly needed and IGRA Board is working closely with the team there but they would appreciate any sponsorship money from the associations.

Pre- and Post- Meeting Checklists

Trustee Position is coming open at the end of this year. Brian has provided details of the duties and what is needed to the President and they will be making this available and will be discussing with the membership to get some candidates for the Election. It was brought up that there is a reimbursement stipend in the Bylaws that allows for the Trustee to submit reasonable expenses. More information will be pulled together for any member wishing to consider this position.

#### Members At Large Reports

There were new

#### Fundraising Report

Ric thanked everyone for their participation at the fundraiser this past weekend. Ric made his IGRA requirement

Ric and JD will be splitting representation of NGRA at the Black & White Events

Ric and JD got approval to provide funds in disbursement to Sin Sity Sisters and Shilo at upcoming events.

Events:

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Rodeo Director

Poster contest is under way. Submission deadline is 23<sup>rd</sup>.

East Side Canary is being considered for the Host Hotel

Laura is meeting and talking with potential leadership candidates.

RPC meetings will officially kick off in August.

Several of our usual sponsors are already prepared to come back and will be connected soon.

Assistant Directors have been selected – Guy Puglisi, Joel Castillo, Jeffrey Neal

Newsletter

Deadline is 23<sup>rd</sup> for any submissions.

Old Business

None

New Business

Tom Collins is having a Birthday bash from 6-8 p.m. and is a fundraiser for his campaign. See Brian for details if you would like to attend.

Meeting Adjourned – 7:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Jeffrey Neal  
NGRA - Secretary