

NMGRA Minutes

Date: 12/11/07

The meeting was called to order by President Kelly Peebles at 7:03 pm.

Members's Present: Ken Hogg, Jeff Lowe, Keith Holtzclaw, Kelly Peebles, Lin Marksbury, C.A. Boliver, Jimmy Schrock, Arnie Chavez, Bob Pimentel, Mike Howard, Drew Nelson, Dan Johnson, Mark Burdine, Victor Dickerson and Tony Carson.

Membership Report: A new member by the name of Teddy was announced and both Jeff Lowe and Bob Pimentel stated that they knew him and thought he would be a good member. Teddy has asked that he go by "Teddy" only at this time and that his name not be used until further notice. Teddy was approved and voted into membership. Renewals for this past month were Jeff Lowe, Steve Benoit and Bill Steers. A list of members who are past due in their memberships was handed out and all present were asked to remind these members to renew their memberships as soon as possible. Membership Report Accepted.

President's Report: Kelly introduced Mark Burdine and stated that the Board has recommended Mark as our new Rodeo Director. He was immediately voted in by the general membership. Bob and Jeff stated they will be assisting Mark to become comfortable with his new duties.

Kelly made the following appointments and all accepted their appointments:

Arnie Chavez was appointed as parliamentarian.

Jeff Lowe was appointed as membership chairman.

Ken Hogg was appointed to be in charge of our bulletin board at Sidewinders.

Lin Marksbury was appointed as public relations chair.

Kelly also asked Bob to chair an audit of NMGRA Financial Records. He accepted and then asked CA if he will help him. Need audit...bob as chairman, CA

Bob Pimentel and Kelly Peebles will be taking over the care and maintenance of our official NMGRA Web Page. Trustees Report Accepted.

Secretary Report: Minutes from last meeting were presented by Ken Hogg. Report passed

Treasurer's Report: The report was presented by Keith Holtzclaw. Current Bank Balance for NMGRA is \$6427.36.
Report passed.

Trustee Report: Bob announced that the IGRA university will be February 22 – 24 in Las Vegas, Nevada. He also stated that he is willing to help anyone who wants to go to figure out how to get there. Several of our members have attended in the past and have found it very beneficial. Larry Travecheck and Larry Lindstrom continue to work on the online contestant registration. We voted and passed a resolution to begin a merchant's account. This will allow NMGRA to accept credit card payments for memberships, payments and merchandise.

Bob will update IGRA that Mark Burdine is our new rodeo director.

Bob also announced that we will be contacting Debbie Romero to help us receive state funds for our Finals Rodeo. Our Finals Rodeo will be held October 16, 2009.

Brian and his partner have taken possession of a ranch in Santa Fe and will be joining our organization this year. Bob will be going to the New Mexico Rodeo Council meeting in January, 2009.

Report passed.

Vice President's Report:

Mikey was absent due to illness. Dan announced that the next Royalty show will be held at Sidewinders on January 13, 2008. There is a very nice photo of Johnny, Patricia and Bo in the bulletin board space, however Tony was absent for the photo. He will be added at a latter date. The first Royalty committee meeting will be held a week before the January show. Kelly announced that NMGRA is adopting the IAGRA rules for Royalty and handed out copies of these rules which include a contract for each royalty member to sign, stating that he/she will abide by these rules.

Report passed.

Rodeo Director's Report:

Jeff Lowe as is transition out and Mark Burdine is transition into this position. Jeff stated that we have 3 judges confirmed Amy Smith, Thom Sloan and Rick Jones. Arena director Russell Leakek.

Mark announced that he has asked Heather Murry to be our chute coordinator, Patrick Terry to be our score keeper and Michael Kaplan to be Secretary. Jeff pointed out that Michael may not be the best choice due to problems in the past so his appointment is on hold at this time.

Mark has begun to seek out a stock contractor. He noted that the Sheriff's arena is on the calendar but we do not yet have a contract. He will be working on this.

Mark would like us to immediately get moving on sponsorships and getting a brochure printed..

Mark introduced committees:

Advertising: Kelly will head this committee.

Buckle Sales:

Contestant Registration:

Entertainment: Mikey will head this committee.

Finance: Dan will head this committee.

DJ: Johnny wants to use his equipment and use the payment as a donation to NMGRA as part of his money to be raised thru the year for IGRA requirements. This idea will need to go to committee for further discussion.

Security:

Ticket Sales:

Volunteers:

Poster Design:

Theme:

Rodeo committee meeting: Mark will chair this committee.

Report passed

Old Business:

We are still waiting to hear from the IRS concerning our status as a 501c3.
Jeff will present our chairity donation check of \$500.00 to Tierra Del Sol.

New Business:

Rainbow Vision is asking us to attend a dance once a month and then share the funds raised with NMGRA.

Jimmy presented a plaque to NMGRA for our support for AIDS research. He also present copies of the Final report "Behavioral Assessment Projects".

Motion to adjourn...passed at 800 pm