

02/12/08

NMGRA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

President Kelly Peebles announced that we had quorum and called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Keith Holtzclaw, Jimmy Schrock, Bo Tipton, CA Boliver, Ken Hogg, Jeff Lowe, Bob Pimentel, Arnie Chavez, Lin Marksbury, Dan Johnson, Johnny Romero, Mike Spencer, Kelly Peebles, Tony Carson, Ben Martinez, Jesse Contreras, Adam Halliday, (two people whose names were written illegibly)...one guest from NMAS Joshua Derrig

Kelly introduced Josh Derrig who was visiting from NMAS

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Jeff Lowe, Chairman

RENEWALS: 1. Mike Craig...he was voted back into membership as he was 3 months past due. 2. John Bates...he was voted back into membership as he was 3 months past due. 3. Vic Ashley 4. Dan Johnson 5. Bob Pimentel

NEW MEMBERS: 1. Casey Wood ...Casey is joining us from Texas. He is 18 years old and cannot join the rodeo in Texas because of his age. He is presently active in high school rodeo and plans to be active in IGRA. 2. Donald Rosenstein

All renewals and new memberships were approved and the Membership Report was accepted.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Keith Holtzclaw

Jeff Lowe pointed out that the minutes from 01/08/08 under Rodeo Report should state there is a rodeo committee meeting on the second (not first) Thursday at 8:00 PM. The correction was made. The minutes from the last meeting with correction were approved and the secretary's report was accepted.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Dan Johnson

Keith had questions as to why the money raised at the last Royalty Show was not deposited into the NMGRA Bank Account and why a check was not written to the Patrick Murphy Memorial Fund from the NMGRA Account. Patrick Murphy was the NMGRA Miss for 2008, however she was murdered in January of 2008. Dan explained that he merged the donations from the Royalty show and also funds donated from the Bear's Beer Bust, along with donations from Sidewinders and wrote a check to the memorial fund from Sidewinders.

Treasurer's Report accepted

TRUSTEE'S REPORT: Bob Pimentel

Bob reminded all that IGRA university is approaching soon. He announced that Bob Pimentel, Arnie Chavez, Keith Holtzclaw, Jeff Lowe, Ken Hoggs and possibly Bo Tipton will be attending. He also announced that our rodeo director Mark Burdine will not be attending.

Finals Rodeo 2008 and 2009...Bob needs commitments from NMGRA for volunteers...Arena and Chute crews volunteers are especially needed.

Bo stated she could attend University if she gets a financial sponsor.

Bob will ask Will Lann to be Barn manager for finals.

Bob has met with the New Mexico council about the new rodeo arena. Phase one will begin in April or May of 2008. The main arena will seat 5,000 and have 400 horse stalls. There will be RV space, vendor and entertainment space along with water and power. Bob is also working with NM Expo (Tingley) for a backup arena. He also met with the NM Visitors Center.

Kelly asked about campgrounds for tents, however Bob did not yet have that information.

ROYALTY REPORT: Mikey Spender, Vice President

Mikey reported there is a show this Sunday, Feb. 17th at 7:00 PM

He wants to try and expand some of the performances...example a dating game, also said he was trying to get some good prizes for ticket sales. Dale Gomez announced he would like to get some drag queens together for a pie in the face throw where money can be raised.

Mikey proposed a motion to retain Patricia's crown and title for 2008 and not to have a new Miss. This would be to honor her name and memory. This motion passed.

Mikey will contact craze about horse requirements for Royalty.

Report Passed

OLD BUSINESS: Presented by Kelly Peebles

Keith reported that the Bylaws do not need to be mailed to the State Corporation as their new rule is that non-profit organizations will keep a copy of the Bylaws in their Charter Records and post them on their web page.

We will begin to file PDFs on Discs to archive history of NMGRA

All officers will now be required to attend a class to learn their duties...Bob Pimentel will teach the class which will be held Tuesday February 19th 7 pm

Bob continues to monitor and update the NMGRA web page...Minutes will now be posted along with downloadable membership applications, dates for meetings. He is working with Jeffrey McCasland to attain access to mail server.

Bob said he would like to hand over the shirts and flag which he brought back from Zia Rodeo...Jeff Lowe said he would take care of them. Michael normal will be our zia rodeo auditor for 2008.

Kelly reported that the board....

Gen membership mtg will stay 2nd Tuesday at 7 fol by rodeo mtg at 8 pm

4th tudsdays will be royalty mtg at 7 and board after...

motion to approve recommendation...motion received a friendly amendment from Keith to table the motion...passed

New Business:

Recommendation to make quickbooks the official software for doing the treasurer's report and keeping records...motion passed

Recommendation to purchase and maintain a computer for treasurer to keep all records...friendly amendment to study this motion...passed the friendly amendment
Membership: Jeff presented that we will begin to do memberships yearly and pro rate thru the year...This has already passed...

Membership chair will have a mtg and present by march mtg. and how it will work...
Sidewinders will set up a machine to print credit cards...to print membership cards...we may be able to get sponsors with discounts on cards...small expense of 45 bucks or so and occasional replacements...

Motion to accept the cards...motion passed

Lin will head up committee to find businesses to give discounts

Ken will head this committee

Bo wants to know who will sponsor the 2008 buckles...

Announcements:

Gear works is raising money for nmas food bank...Jeff reported that tomorrow night 2/13/08 donation will be made to Tiera del Sol...he would like all who can go to this presentation.

Motion to adjourn at 8:12 pm