

NMGRA General Membership Minutes for 03/11/08

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jeff Lowe, Ken Hogg, Dan Johnson, Mark Burdine, Craze, Bob Pimentel, Arnie Chavez, Lin Marksbury, Keith Holtzclaw, Kelly Peebles, Tony Carson and Ben Martinez

President Kelly Peebles announced that we have quorum and the meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM.

Membership Committee Report: Jeff Lowe

New members: Brian Healander, Howard Du-Bin

Renewals: Will Lann, Arnie Chavez

Renewals over 3 months: Mitch Petersen

A motion was made to accept new members and also renewals that were over 3 months late, however a friendly amendment was made to vote on late renewals separately. The friendly amendment was accepted.

All new members were voted into membership.

Mitch Petersen's renewal was voted into membership.

Membership Committee met 03/10/08

Committee recommends that memberships be pro rated and memberships all renewed on December 31, yearly.

Motion and second to accept committee's report: Accepted

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Keith Holtzclaw

Minutes from last meeting were presented.

A motion and second was made to accept and motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Dan Johnson

IGRA insurance paid...\$657.72

501C-3 still pending approval by state of NM.

Current Checking account balance: \$6389.36

Motion and second to accept report...Motion passed.

TRUSTEE'S REPORT: Bob Pimentel

IGRA university went well

Sponsorship of Bud Light for finals rodeo will most likely not be happening.

Currently Coors Beer is looking at sponsoring finals.

IGRA is looking for a liquor vendor for finals.

Bob, Arnie and Roger Coutaman have been asked to go to New York to represent the IGRA for gay EXPO for 2008.

Bob attending the mandatory Trustee Board Meeting in Las Vegas during University.

Bob thanked Kelly for representing him at the Ft. Worth Rodeo.

A motion and second was made to accept the Trustee's report. Motion passed.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT/ROYALTY ENTERTAINMENT/SPECIAL EVENTS REPORT: Mike Spencer was absent so report was given by Tony Carson.

Royalty Show on February 19, 2008 brought in a total of \$418.00

There is to be a UCS show at Sidewinders on 03/09/08 in honor of Patricia (Miss NMGRA 2008 in which the proceeds will be donated to NMGRA.

Tony announced that the Royalty Committee would like to meet monthly at Sidewinders on the 2nd Tuesday at 6:00 PM prior to the General Membership Meeting.

Tony announced that he attended the IGRA University where he took classes on better understanding the duties of Royalty. Tony also announced that he has set up riding classes with Craze and also that La Quinta Hotel has sponsored him for a buckle for 1st runner up Mr. NMGRA.

Tony is working with the Guild theater where they may play some westerns....we might need to help with working the theater at these shows....we would rent theater for 2 hrs...150/2hrs. The proceeds would then be donated to NMGRA. Tony will get details and report back at the next meeting.

A motion and second to accept was passed.

RODEO DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Mark Burdine

The next rodeo committee meeting will be on Thursday 03/13/08 then future meetings will be the 2nd Tuesday of the month following the general membership meeting at 8:00 PM at Sidewinders.

Mark reported that 6 buckles have been sponsored: All around cowgirl and cowboy sponsored by Sidewinders, Bull riding for women and men sponsored by Sidewinders. One buckle of NMGRA's choice is to be sponsored by Thom Sloan and Mark Arnold. Country Inn Suites will sponsor another buckle, name of buckle to be announced at a latter date. Liquor license is yet to be set up but in the works. Country Inn Suites will be our host hotel with same rates at last year. Comp rooms not yet announced.

Rodeo Poster and brochure still need finalizing.

Mark announced that we need to start selling ads and asking around for sponsors.

Mark will be meeting soon with New Mexico Rodeo Council.

Donald R. will be our new volunteer coordinator for this year.

Dan Johnson got us a sponsorship with National Distributing who will be printing posters for us...for free.

Also, Jack Daniels will be donating liquor for our rodeo.

A motion and second was made to accept this report: Report passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Board meetings to be held on Tuesday at 7:00 PM at Sidewinders 2 weeks before each General Membership Meeting.

Ken Hogg reported that he will register NMGRA for a booth and the parade for PRIDE...cost will be \$116.00..approximately...includes table, parade, horses...

A motion and second was made to accept Ken's report...motion passed.

Dan reported he now has the card machine to make membership cards.

The 2006 and 2007 Financial Audit is now completed. Bob Pimentel will give his recommendations for further financial reporting to the Standing Rules committee.

Dan Johnson reported that he will provide space for NMGRA archives.

March 30th will be a clean-up day in Dan's office so that he can provide space for archives...all are invited and encouraged to come and help.

Bob Pimentel will be hold the final Class for Standing Rules following the Board Meeting on the 25th of March at Sidewinders.

Bob reported that he is still unable to reach Jeffrey McCasland concerning getting access to our NMGRA Web Page. Craze said she would definitely get ahold of Jeffrey and have him call Bob. Bob. This is to be completed by the next board meeting.

Motion and second to adjourn.

Adjourned 8:13 PM