



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Friday, May 27, 2005

Best Western Saddleback Inn, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
10:00 a.m.

AGENDA

Call to Order

Welcome and Introductions

Roll Call

Approval of Previous Minutes
University – February 18, 2005

Approval of Previous Financial Reports
February, March, and April 2005

Membership Committee Report

Larry Lindstrom, chairman
Recognition of Florida Gay Rodeo Association (FGRA)

Executive Board Reports

President

Brian Helander

Vice President

Mitch Gill

Secretary

Larry Lindstrom

Treasurer

David Hill

President Emeritus

Craig Rouse

Administrative Assistant

Tommy Channel

Trustees Committee Chair

Jackie D'Amico

Committee Reports

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| Finals | – Mark Nicks |
| Growth & Planning | – Mike Lentz |
| Hall of Fame | – Char Werth |
| Health & Safety | – Bryan Lester & Heather Murray |
| Information Systems | – David Hill |
| Internet Technology | – Frank Harrell |
| Judges | – Amy Griffin & Rick Jones |
| Marketing | – Executive Board |
| Membership | – Larry Lindstrom |
| Merchandise | – Ronn Anacabi |
| Nominating | – Dot Trevis |
| Public Relations | – Tom Sheridan |
| Rodeo Resources | – Brian Rogers |
| Rodeo Rules | – Michael Norman & Frank Elam |
| University | – Karroll Parker |

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- Rodeo Success Criteria

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IGRA Board of Directors Meeting
Best Western Saddleback Inn, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
May 27th, 2005

Call to Order. President Brian Helander called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

Introductions. Everyone present introduced himself or herself including name, title, and member association.

Roll Call. See attached sign-in sheet.

Previous Minutes. The minutes from University dated February 18, 2005 were approved with no objections.

Previous Financial Reports. The financials from February, March, and April 2005 were approved with no objections.

Executive Board Reports.

President. Brian Helander reported that he has been to several rodeos so far this year and has been listening to officials, contestants, and volunteers. He is going to compile a "Top 10" list of things IGRA should do this year and present it at the Chicago board meeting.

Vice President. Mitch Gill presented a written report and discussed the following items:

1. Americans with Disabilities Act. One of the ASGRA's royalty contestants crushed her ankle and will not be able to film the horsemanship portion of the competition. Mike Lentz said we have three options. First, not to allow her to compete at finals. Second, award her a zero for horsemanship and count the remaining categories. And third, award her the lowest score earned by a contestant for this competition. This topic was referred back to the Vice President.
2. Mitch recommended removing Miss Sybil as the first Miss IGRA 1996 and make Naomi La'Rell the only Miss IGRA 1996. Motion carried by a voice vote.
3. Mitch recommended to allow Tamara Marks to use the IGRA logo, which will be centered along with a red ribbon surrounding it, but not touching it. Benefits from the fundraiser would be split four ways. Clark Monk suggested a physical design before voting. Brian requested using the IGRABOD group and not wait until the board meeting in Chicago. Consensus to postpone motion until a presentation is made and then vote on how the funds are going to be distributed.

Secretary. Larry Lindstrom presented a written report. In addition, he requested that...

- associations regularly send in updated membership lists to Tommy Channel,
- trustees include a copy of the stock contractor's insurance when taking minutes, and
- this meeting is the official notice for selecting international awards.

Treasurer. A written report was submitted. David Hill reported that GGRA paid their sanction fee on time and he will postpone recalculating the Bud Light money from any and all cancelled rodeos until the end of the year.

Animal Issues & Concerns. Ric Kelly submitted a written report and an **Animal Injury Form** to be filled out by the Arena Director and Chute Coordinator. Kim Dawson moved to accept the new form with the addition of the Rodeo Director's signature because of animal injuries behind the scenes. Motion carried by a voice vote.

Arena Directors. Refer to the written report. There were no action items.

Auditors, Secretaries, & Scorekeepers. Refer to the written report. There were no action items.

Budget. Refer to the written report. There were no action items.

Bylaws & Standing Rules. Refer to the written report. There were no action items.

Chute Coordinators. Refer to the written report. There were no action items.

Community Outreach. Ken Pool moved that the recipient charity of the 2005 IGRA royalty funds raised go to Body Positive in Phoenix. Motion carried by voice vote. It was noted that the funds paid to Body Positive at the last board meeting was from the money raised as contestants.

Convention. Alan Frank submitted a written report. It was recommended that Alan contact each committee chair soon for their requirements regarding time frame, room size, and equipment.

Corporate Sponsors. Brian reported on the Hero Unit agreement and that he has been talking to Walgreen's about sponsorship. Patrick Terry stated that the printer used for the GPR program would like to work towards a national sponsorship. Doug Graff commented that a bottled water company in the Bay Area was interested, but backed off when asked for a written contract.

Clark Monk reported that American Airlines does not want their banners and/or logo filmed in the documentary at this rodeo. James Ramey spoke on "product placement" and logo usage by third parties. Anheuser-Busch went to this company for their angle, then Bud Light and Bacardi Silver provided full release of their logo. He added that it is the production company's responsibility to obtain a release from corporate sponsors, not IGRA's.

Dance. Lorry King submitted a written report.

The meeting recessed at 10:35 a.m. and resumed at 10:45 a.m.

Finals Rodeo. Mark Nicks submitted a written report and highlighted certain portions of the report. Lorry questioned having two hotels and splitting royalty and contestants. Mark responded that the hotel in Mesquite was not large enough for all attendees, but was aware of the concern about the split and also about royalty contestants competing as rodeo contestants.

Ken Pool commented that TGRA has done a good job at promoting the show, questioned the proposed running order, and reported about complaints that the selection of officials was out of the contestant hands. Mark said he would be asking for a variance in the trustees meeting and that the officials were selected for their abilities, not necessarily that they were TGRA members.

Mark Larson asked how would running just the “Top 5” affect judging? A contestant may be in the top five all year, but may be knocked out of the top five during Saturday’s performance. Jorge Ramirez urged the board, trustees, and committee chairs to go out and put out a positive message about this year’s Finals Rodeo. Kim Dawson wanted TGRA to publicize the official running order, because there was confusion about the seven events printed in their newsletter.

Doug Graff asked about TGRA’s success at other bars. Mark Nicks said that TGRA is looking into throwing events at other bars.

Growth & Planning. Mike Lentz reported that he had neither a written report nor action items. He did comment that what happens in Jorge’s ad hoc committee will directly affect his.

Hall of Fame. Char Werth’s committee met this morning and reviewed nominations.

Information Systems. A written report was submitted with no action items.

Internet Technology. Frank Harrell reported that he is finalizing an online contestant survey form and online change-of-address form. He also urged individual associations to update their respective Web sites with contact information (arena, hotels, etc.) He is also testing putting a Health & Safety video online.

Judges. A written report was submitted with no action items.

Marketing. Brian Helander reported that the Executive Board recommended that IGRA engage the Kur Carr Group for up to \$2,500. Jorge Ramirez asked if we could use the same PR firm as Finals? Brian revised his recommendation to use up to \$2,500 for a PR firm as deemed fit by the committee. Motion carried by a voice vote.

Merchandising. A comment was made that our vendors are not at all rodeos nor is there any merchandise on the IGRA Web site yet. Mitch Gill noted that Ronn Anacabi has had difficulty receiving anything from the vendors.

Rodeo Resources. A written report was submitted with no action items.

Rodeo Rules. A written report was submitted with no action items.

Membership. Larry Lindstrom submitted a written report. After Carl Davis spoke on behalf of the Florida Gay Rodeo Association (FGRA), the committee recommendation was to accept FGRA as a Recognized Member Association to be later seated at convention in Calgary. Motion carried by a voice vote.

John King asked about their marketing area. Carl replied that FGRA will be centered around Orlando, but have members up in the Florida Panhandle, on the East coast down in Fort Lauderdale, and on the West coast in Tampa–St. Petersburg, Sarasota, and Fort Myers.

This ended the standing committee reports. The meeting was recessed at 12:50 p.m. for lunch and resumed at 2:10 p.m.

Ongoing Business. For IGRA Mission & Goals, Brian Helander moved to adopt the following and send to convention in 2005:

The IGRA mission statement is *“Supporting Associations that Support Their Communities”* and the goals are *“To provide associations with the tools to produce quality events”* and *“To promote, in a positive way, the GBLTQ country western lifestyle.”*

Motion carried by a voice vote.

Rodeo Success Criteria. Refer to the written report submitted by Jorge Ramirez. He stated that before we can determine a set of measurements, we first need to establish what to measure. Jorge moved to accept the first seven criteria (from his report).

Doug Graff wanted to remove #7 because you cannot compare market areas. Clark Monk felt that he can produce a rodeo within budget, but having 200 paid admissions is not considered a successful rodeo. Doug asked about criteria for new contestants and/or retaining old contestants.

After additional discussion, Scott Johnson offered a friendly amendment to include all 12 criteria. Motion carried by a voice vote.

2006 Rodeo Dates. Due to a new bylaw requiring rodeo dates to be approved 6 months in advance, Mike Lentz asked AGRA for their 2006 dates. Kim Dawson moved to waive the 6-month deadline for the Phoenix rodeo (and approve their dates at the Chicago board meeting). After discussion, the general consensus was that the board will handle rodeo dates through February 2006 via an e-mail vote.

It was suggested that the IGRA Secretary notify associations that could possibly host a rodeo through April 2006 to have their paperwork ready for the Chicago board meeting. Rodeos from May through the summer can be approved at annual convention.

Hero Unit Productions. Brian Helander reported that as the chair of the corporate sponsorship committee, he had signed a letter of intent with **Hero Unit Productions** to film 10 of the 2005 IGRA rodeos. Ken Pool requested a list of requirements that CGRA will need for the remaining rodeos. Clint Wieden asked about reimbursement for additional expenses and \$350 in armbands.

Brian said the agreement gave exclusivity to Hero Unit to film as the sporting event of rodeo, but not for documentaries, reality shows, etc.

The meeting recessed at 3:40 p.m. and resumed 3:50 p.m.

Ken Pool moved to ratify Brian’s decision for the Hero Unit sponsorship through the letter of intent. Lorry King commented that discussion was conducted at the board meeting in Fort Worth. Mike Lentz added that the original letter of intent was e-mailed to the board on March 10th and only 3 responses to the group were made.

Doug Graff moved to reconsider accepting the minutes from Fort Worth. Motion carried by a voice vote. Mike Lentz moved to adjust the minutes of February 18th “that there was discussion of a Hero Unit agreement and the board directed Brian to act on our (the board’s) behalf.” Motion carried by a voice vote.

Scott Johnson moved that no contract can be entered into without the full board's approval. This was in reference to Hero Unit only. Motion failed by a voice vote.

Ken Pool's original motion passed by a roll call vote (20, 3, 1).

| <u>In favor</u> | <u>Opposed</u> | <u>Abstained</u> |
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| Secretary, Treasurer, AGRA, ASGRA, CGRA, GGRA, GSGRA, GWGRA, HGRA, HSRA, ILGRA, KGRA, MGRA, MIGRA, NGRA, NMGRA, NSGRA, OGRA, RRRRA, SMRA | SSRA, TGRA, UGRA | President |

Mike Lentz moved to amend the proposal and that #1 Association Fund be lowered to \$1,000 (or 20%, per filming and #4 Hosting Association be raised to \$1,000 (or 20%). Motion carried by a voice vote.

Jorge Ramirez moved to amend #1 Association Fund changing the word "rodeos" to "associations." Motion carried by a hand vote (12, 7, 5).

Mike Lentz moved to amend the proposal and add education to the third bullet point of #2 IGRA General Account. Motion carried by a voice vote.

Jackie D'Amico moved to amend #3 Contestant Fund for Finals Rodeo the year it is accumulated for all contestants. Motion died due to lack of second.

Lorry King moved to amend #3 Contestant Support Fund ...to be accrued **as additional purse money** to the 2006 **regional** rodeos, **excluding Finals Rodeo** (the wording in bold to be added). Motion carried by a voice vote.

The original proposal, as amended 5 times, was passed by a voice vote.

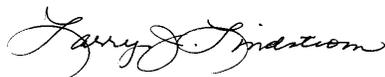
The meeting was recessed at 5:15 p.m. and resumed at 5:25 p.m.

James Ramey asked that he and Anheuser-Busch be officially notified of the cancelled rodeos as well as the new corporate address of IGRA.

Announcements. GSGRA, MGRA, NMGRA, and TGRA-Finals Rodeo made announcements.

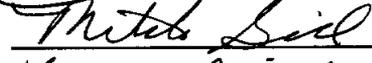
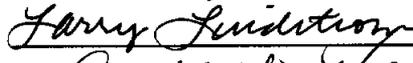
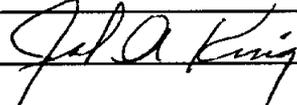
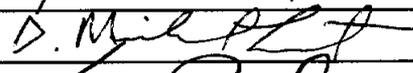
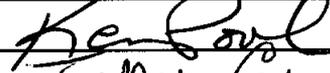
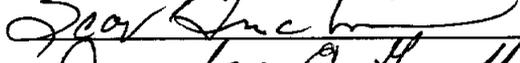
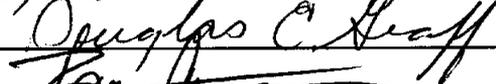
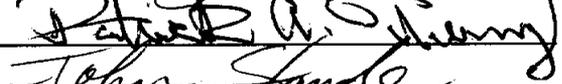
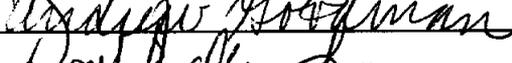
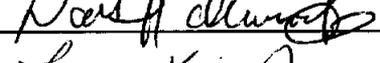
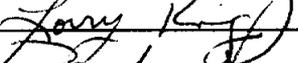
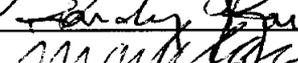
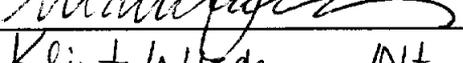
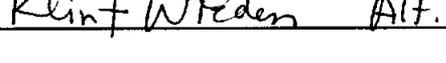
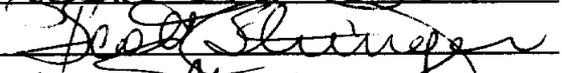
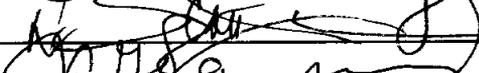
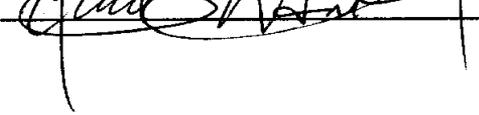
Adjournment. Brian Helander adjourned the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Larry Lindstrom
IGRA Secretary

Board of Directors Meeting
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| Association | LastName | FirstName | Signature | RATIFY |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------------------|--|-----------|
| President | Helander | Brian |  | abs. |
| Vice President | Gill | Mitch |  | |
| Secretary | Lindstrom | Larry |  | yes |
| Treasurer | Hill | David |  | yes |
| Admin Assistant | Channel | Tommy | | |
| Past President | Rouse | Craig | | |
| AGRA | King | John |  | yes |
| ARGRA | Anderson | Ashley | | |
| ASGRA | Lentz | Michael |  | yes |
| CGRA | Pool | Ken ^(NO) |  | yes |
| DSRA | Green Jr | Jacky ^(NO) |  | — |
| GGRA | Fincher | Scot |  | yes |
| GSGRA | Graff | Douglas |  | yes |
| GWGRA | Ostmann | Ray |  | yes |
| HGRA | Dawson | Kim |  | yes |
| HSRA | Brennan | Thom |  | yes |
| ILGRA | Adamowski | Anthony |  | yes |
| KGRA | Stangle | John |  | yes |
| MGRA | Goodman | Andrew |  | yes |
| MIGRA | Hallwood | David |  | yes |
| NGRA | King | Lorry |  | yes |
| NMGRA | Gardner | Randy |  | yes |
| NSGRA | Larson | Mark ^(NO) |  | yes |
| OGRA | Lodzinski | Jamie |  | yes |
| PNWGRA | | | | |
| PONY | Frankel | David | | |
| RRRA | D'Amico | Jackie |  | yes |
| SMRA | Bean | Buzz |  | (Alt) yes |
| SSRA | Johnson | Scott |  | no |
| TGRA | Ramirez | Jorge |  | no |
| UGRA | Monk | Clark |  | no |

Larry Lindstrom

From: <AAdamowski@aol.com>
To: <larry.lindstrom@igra.com>; <amazcowboy@cox.net>; <JDAmico@MidwestCityOK.org>
Cc: <patrick.terry@att.net>
Sent: Wednesday, May 25, 2005 5:54 AM
Subject: ILGRA Alternate Trustee for OKC

Please allow Patrick Terry, an ILGRA Member in good standing, to serve as alternate trustee for this coming weekend in Oklahoma City. Unfortunately, due to scheduling conflicts, I am unable to attend the Board/Trustee meetings on Friday and unable to be at the rodeo on Saturday & Sunday.

Thank you!

Anthony Adamowski,
ILGRA Trustee

Larry Lindstrom

From: "OGRA Rodeo" <oqgrarodeo@hotmail.com>
To: <admin.assistant@igra.com>; <trustees.chair@igra.com>; <vice.president@igra.com>; <president@igra.com>; <treasurer@igra.com>; <secretary@igra.com>
Sent: Friday, April 29, 2005 4:19 PM
Subject: Alternate Trustee

This is to formally inform the IGRA Board that Klint Wieden, President of OGRA will be alternate trustee at the trustee meeting in Oklahoma City on May 27th, due to the fact that Jamie Lodzinski is the rodeo director and his attention is needed elsewhere that day.

Jamie Lodzinski
OGRA Trustee & Rodeo Director 2005

Klint Wieden
OGRA President 2005

Larry Lindstrom

From: "Waldner, Justin (TN)" <WaldnerJ@iconus.com>
To: <president@igra.com>; <secretary@igra.com>
Cc: <txsss@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 25, 2005 2:54 PM
Subject: Trustee Substitution for Oklahoma City, OK Trustee Meetings:

Brian and Larry,

Sorry about the last notice. It totally slipped my mind. Been really busy getting SMRA's name out there! *smile* But Buzz Bean will not be attending the trustee meetings this weekend. In his place Scott Stringer will be our Trustee.

Please contact me if you have any further questions.

Thanks,
Your bud,
Justin James
SMRA President



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Call to Order. Chair Jackie D'Amico called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

Roll Call. The Secretary performed the roll call. The following trustees were present:

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| AGRA | John King |
| ASGRA | Michael Lentz |
| GGRA | Scot Fincher |
| GSGRA | Douglas Graff |
| GWGRA | Ray Ostmann |
| HGRA | Kim Dawson |
| HSRA | Thom Brennan |
| ILGRA Alt. | Patrick Terry |
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| SMRA Alt. | Scott Stringer |
| SSRA | Scott Johnson |
| TGRA | Jorge Ramirez |
| UGRA | Clark Monk |

Previous Minutes. Thom Brennan moved to discuss the rodeo review board minutes from Wichita. Larry Lindstrom said there was no conclusion written on two of the protests but was in the notes taken. Scott Johnson moved that the protest report (from Wichita) that no action was taken after discussion with the appropriate officials. Motion carried by a voice vote.

Scott then moved that the rodeo checklist and the protest chair must be filled by a trustee first and then by an alternate. John King stated that a board member must complete the corporate compliance checklist. Motion carried by a voice vote.

David Hallwood moved to accept the minutes as amended. Motion carried by a voice vote. The other 12 sets of minutes were then approved with no further objections.

New Business. GWGRA will be looking at May 6–7, 2006 for their first rodeo and it will be called the Gateway Regional Rodeo.

Rodeo Date Changes. David Hallwood gave notice that MIGRA cancelled their 2005 rodeo.

Certifications.

Judges. Amy Griffin mailed a written report (see attached) to the Secretary and recommended the following for re-certification as IGRA Judges for the 2006 rodeo year. Recommendation passed by a voice vote.

- Amy Griffin
- Rick Jones
- Thom Sloan
- Dee Zuspenn

Arena Directors. Al Wright submitted a written report (see attached) and asked for re-certification for the following Arena Directors. Recommendation passed by a voice vote.

- Kim Dawson
- Al Wright

Chute Coordinators. David Hallwood presented Jeanne McLeod for re-certification as a Chute Coordinator. Jay Beck (not present) told David she served in the position as an assistant in Little Rock. However, the committee felt she could not fulfill the position because she was also the Arena Director of the rodeo. David stated the committee could not re-certify her at this time.

David did present Scott Stringer (see attached) as a new certification and that he has fulfilled all the requirements for a Chute Coordinator. Recommendation passed by a voice vote.

Variance Requests. On behalf of TGRA, Jorge asked for a change in the running order for finals. This would be rodeo rule 36. Saturday's performance would be the top 5 based on season points and Sunday's performance would be the top 5 from Saturday's performance. Motion carried by a voice vote.

The stock contractor's crew chief's wife wanted to compete at this rodeo. Clark Monk referred to page 34 that "stock contractor and staff" cannot compete. Doug Graff moved to interpret the rule as "paid" stock contractor staff. After discussion, Doug withdrew his motion.

The following duties were assigned:

- Corporate Compliance Chair – Clark Monk, UGRA Trustee,
- Rodeo Checklist Chair – Doug Graff, GSGRA Trustee, and
- Protest Chair – Scott Johnson, SSRA Trustee.

The post-rodeo meeting was scheduled for 30 minutes outside the rodeo office near the front entrance. The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Larry Lindstrom
IGRA Secretary

TO: IGRA Board of Trustees
FROM: Amy Griffin & Rick Jones, Judge Committee Co-Chairs
DATE: May 27, 2005
RE: Report

Having satisfactorily fulfilled the requirements, The Judge's Committee has approved and recommends the following for recertification as IGRA judges for the 2006 rodeo year:

Amy Griffin
Rick Jones
Thom Sloan
Dee Zuspann.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Griffin & Rick Jones



COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: Arena Director

Committee Chair(s): Kim Dawson, Al Wright

Committee Members: Kim Dawson, Jorge Ramirez, Brian Helander, and Al Wright

Date & Time of Last Meeting: February 18, 2005

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: Asked Jorge Ramirez to join the committee. We have had subsequent e-mail among the committee members. We have one request from Jay Beck to enter Arena Director program.

Items of Critical Importance (to be discussed at the next BOD meeting):

None at this time.

Items Requiring Action (to be voted on at the next BOD meeting):

Action for the Trustee meeting.

Requesting Re-certification of Arena Directors listed below:

Kim Dawson, Al Wright

No report at this time

Respectfully submitted, Co-chairs Kim Dawson, Al Wright



COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: Chute Coordinator Committee

Committee Chair(s): Kim Dawson, David Hallwood

Committee Members: Al Wright, Brian Helander (not in attendance)

Date & Time of Last Meeting: 02/18/05

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: Recertification of Chute Coordinators, Web group for Chute Coordinators and persons in Chute Coordinators program, database in progress of persons in Chute Coordinator program.

Items of Critical Importance (to be discussed at the next BOD meeting):

1. Web group for Chute Coordinators started May 05.
2. Certification of Scott Stringer, TGRA.
3. Recertification Issue of Jeannie McLeod, TGRA.

Items Requiring Action (to be voted on at the next BOD meeting):

1. Certification of Scott Stringer.

No report at this time

Respectfully submitted, David Hallwood

Variance request for Finals Rodeo

General Rodeo Rule #36

36. Running order for each go-round will be assigned by random drawing by the Rodeo Secretary, except for bull riding.

Some events will be split between the morning and afternoon performances. Variance requested to allow placing contestants ranked 6 through 20 in the morning and those ranked 1 through 5 in the afternoon. Running order for morning competition would be assigned by random drawing by the Rodeo Secretary. Running order for afternoon competition would be 5-4-3-2-1. Ranking will be determined on Saturday by the international standings and ranking on Sunday will be determined by Saturday's results. Accommodation will be made for contestants ranked in the top 5 in numerous events.



COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: _____

Committee Chair(s): _____

Committee Members: _____

Date & Time of Last Meeting: _____

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: _____

Items of Critical Importance (to be discussed at the next BOD meeting):

Items Requiring Action (to be voted on at the next BOD meeting):

No report at this time

Respectfully submitted, _____



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IGRA Finals Rodeo

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James Ramey
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Alan Pierce

Russell Bleakney

Jim Gadiant

Bryan Hopkins

Dwight Jones

Jeanne McLeod

Thomas Montgomery

Tom Truitt

The Finals Rodeo Committee met Saturday April 16th with a report on the April 2nd meeting of the Finals Steering Committee.

The Finals Rodeo Steering Committee met in Dallas April 2, 2005 at the Resource Center of Dallas. Members present included Rodeo Director Karroll Parker, Assistant Rodeo Director Thomas Montgomery, Dallas Tavern Guild Executive Director Michael Doughman, Russell Bleakney and Mark Nicks. Others present included Nathan Johnson, Charley Lanier, Michael Norman, Doug Sullens and Becky Parsons.

Coordinator Appointments

The following new appointments were announced as Finals Rodeo Coordinators.

- Volunteers – Nathan Johnson
- Grand Entry – Reed Hoke
- Royalty – Terry Covington and Becky Parsons
- Barn Manager – Doug Sullens
- Vendors – Mike Cox

Coordinator Vacancies

Several vacant positions were discussed. Anyone interested in the positions or anyone with a recommendation should contact the Chair.

- Contestants
- Awards Presentation
- Voucher Program
- Ribbon Sales
- Entertainment
- Community Relations
- Promotions
- Publicity

It was suggested that a list of the available positions be posted on the Finals Rodeo web site.



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Coordinator Reports

The chair reported that Buckle designs have been submitted to Anheuser Busch for approval.

A Ribbon design will soon be presented. DJ Jones will forward that to us when it's completed. We will not have conchos.

Michael Norman discussed Contestant Registration and will make a recommendation about location after visiting the arena and the hotel. He will work with the Volunteer Coordinator to provide a list of positions needed on Friday night.

Nathan Johnson was introduced as the Volunteer Coordinator. He will work with the Rodeo Director and present a plan at our next meeting.

It was announced that *The Turtle Creek Chorale* has agreed to produce the Grand Entry at Finals Rodeo. It will include a short medley of songs, the national anthems, Riderless Horse and presentation of the states. It may also include introduction of officials. Or we may ask for a variance to introduce officials at another time during the rodeo. The entire presentation should last 20 minutes.

Becky Parson outlined plans for the Royalty competition. It will be held at the Holiday Inn Select Love Field.

MergeMedia has presented a proposal for handling Public Relations for the rodeo. It has not been accepted at this point, unless additional funding can be procured. There has been a change in the management of MergeMedia which has caused some delay in our projects. But the change will be beneficial.

The chair reported that the Raffle Program has been cancelled due to our inability to obtain prizes for each rodeo's drawing. No travel agency was willing to offer a travel package for 20 winners.

Russell Bleakney reported that a bid to print the program was offered by Rapid Reprographics. He is also investigating the company which printed the Phoenix program. The Finals Rodeo Program will be 8 1/2 x 11 We'll print 2500 copies and will provide advance distribution in Dallas 2 weeks prior to the rodeo as well as to the crowd at each rodeo performance.



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A report from Roxine Genthner was read outlining her plans to sell the advertising space in the Rodeo Program. The prices will be

Full Page \$400

1/2 page \$250

1/4 page \$125

Card \$50

We will offer spot color for full page ads only for an additional \$300.

The Rodeo Sponsorship program continues to be pursued by us and by MergeMedia. We are very close to procuring a local media sponsor. We hope to have further details soon.

The media plan was presented and a copy of that plan is attached.

Promotions

Our first music video was shot during the Cowtown Rodeo. We'll be using the song *Save a Horse, Ride a Cowboy* and it should be completed in time for the Rodeo Kickoff Party at the Round-Up.

The Finals Rodeo Kickoff Party will be held Friday May 6th at the *Round-Up Saloon* beginning at 8:00pm. Michael Doughman will host and entertainment will include *ClubNIN* and the *Texas Twisters*. Information booths will be setup in the side bar with ticket sales, vendor and advertising information and TGRA membership information. Hot Dogs and Hamburgers will be cooked on the patio by the *Dallas Wranglers* softball team and Ben E Keith will bring the Bud Boys with various give-away items. And we'll play Bud Light Poker. Every time you buy a Bud Light you get a playing card. Winning hands will receive prizes.

Posters have been printed. InfoCards are being printed now. Distribution will begin in May. For details see the media plan.

We've setup a blog on our FinalsRodeo web site. Coordinators are urged to add notes about their activities to keep everyone involved and informed.

Schedule of Events

After considerable discussion among IGRA officials and rodeo officials we will take a new approach to the weekend schedule. Variances may be required for some of the changes we will make and if so, we'll seek



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those at the next IGRA board meeting.

We will divide the day into a morning performance and an afternoon performance. The afternoon performance will begin at 2:00pm with Grand Entry. The following events will be held during the afternoon performance:

- Barrel Racing
- Team Roping
- Bull Riding
- Bronc Riding
- Steer Riding
- Wild Drag
- Goat Dressing

In the afternoon performance we plan to include only 5 men and 5 women in each event. Those 5 contestants will be the top five in the event. For Saturday's performance it will be the top 5 based on the standings. For Sunday's performance it will be the top 5 from Saturday's competition. All the remaining events will be during the morning performance.

The morning performance will be a laid-back affair without music or fanfare. Then beginning at 2:00 with the Grand Entry featuring *The Turtle Creek Chorale*, the afternoon performance will have a high energy announcer with music throughout. We'll have entertainment during arena setup. And we're asking each of our rodeo officials to make every effort to make it a fast and smooth-running performance.

Rodeo Officials

The committee approved a list of proposed rodeo officials which is hereby presented to the TGRA board of trustees.

The include:

- Arena Director Jeanne McLeod
- Production Manager Russell Bleakney
- Chute Coordinator Jay Beck
- Arena Crew Coordinator Mack Williamson
- Head Judge Rick Jones
- Judge Jorge Ramirez
- Judge Thom Sloan



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- Judge Ashley Anderson
- Scorekeeper Tamara Marks
- Timers to be named later
- Morning Announcer RD Lynch
- Morning Commentator Michael Doughman
- Afternoon Announcer to be named later
- Secretary Michael Norman
- Treasurer Tom Truitt
- Auditor David Hill

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Nicks
Finals Rodeo Chair

Finals Rodeo Media Plan - By media

Local Point of Purchase

- Posters 6 months out (May)
- Posters refreshed at 3 months out (Aug)
- Posters refreshed at 1 month out (Oct)
- InfoCards (LeaveBehinds/TriFolds) 6 months out (May)
- InfoCards refreshed 3 months out (Aug)
- InfoCards refreshed 1 month out (Oct)
- Preview Parties 6 months out (May)
- Preview Parties 3 months out (Aug)
- Organizational Pitches (May – Oct)
- Corner Ticket Booth (Sept, Oct, Nov)

Local Gay Periodicals

- Regular rodeo articles updating contestants standings after each rodeo
- Feature on Finals Rodeo May
- Feature on Finals Rodeo Oct
- Feature on Finals Rodeo Nov
- Ad campaign begins 3 months out (Aug)
- Preview feature Nov 5th
- Cover feature Nov 12th

Local Mainstream Periodicals

- Regular rodeo articles updating contestants standings after each rodeo
- Feature on Finals Rodeo Nov
- Preview feature Nov 5th
- Ad campaign Nov 11, 12

Local Radio/Television

- Radio Ad campaign begins 1 week out (Nov 5)
- Television PSA campaign begins 1 week out (Nov 5)
- PR appearances rodeo week (Nov 5)

Local Other

- Billboard Cedar Springs @ Throckmorton beginning April 25

Regional Point of Purchase

- Posters 6 months out (May)
- Posters refreshed 3 months out (Aug)
- InfoCards 6 months out (May)
- InfoCards refreshed 3 months out (Aug)

Regional Gay Periodicals

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National Gay Rodeo Circuit

- **Banner in Rodeo Arena**
- **Sponsor Banners in Rodeo Arena**
- **Regular announcements during Rodeos**

National Point of Purchase

- **Posters 6 months out (May)**
- **Posters refreshed 3 months out (Aug)**
- **InfoCards 6 months out (May)**
- **InfoCards refreshed 3 months out (Aug)**
- **Music Video Distribution (May, July, Sept, Oct)**

National Gay Periodicals

- **Regular rodeo articles updating contestants standings after each rodeo**
- **Preview Feature Oct**

National Internet

- **Internet Ad campaign begins 3 months out (Aug)**
- **FinalsRodeo.com regular updates**

Other

- **Monthly Promotion Newsletter**
- **Monthly Finals Rodeo Newsletter**
- **Regular PR and News Releases**
- **Booth at Dallas Pride (Sept)**

Finals Rodeo Media Plan - Calendar

March

Fort Worth Rodeo – Banner in Rodeo Arena
Fort Worth Rodeo – Sponsors banners in Rodeo Arena
Fort Worth Rodeo – Regular arena announcements
Monthly Promotion Newsletter
Monthly Finals Rodeo Newsletter
Update FinalsRodeo.com

April

Tulsa Rodeo – Banner in Rodeo Arena
Tulsa Rodeo – Sponsors banners in Rodeo Arena
Tulsa Rodeo – Regular arena announcements
Little Rock Rodeo – Banner in Rodeo Arena
Little Rock Rodeo – Sponsors banners in Rodeo Arena
Little Rock Rodeo – Regular arena announcements
Las Vegas Rodeo – Banner in Rodeo Arena
Las Vegas Rodeo – Sponsors banners in Rodeo Arena
Las Vegas Rodeo – Regular arena announcements
Monthly Promotion Newsletter
Monthly Finals Rodeo Newsletter
Update FinalsRodeo.com

May

Local Point of Purchase - Posters
Local Point of Purchase – InfoCards
Regional Point of Purchase - Posters
Regional Point of Purchase - InfoCards
National Point of Purchase - Posters
National Point of Purchase - InfoCards
Preview Party @ *The Round-Up Saloon*
Cedar Springs Billboard – promoting Preview Party
Music Video Distribution to Dance Bars nationwide
Organizational Pitches
Local Gay Periodicals - Regular rodeo articles updating contestants' standings
Local Mainstream Periodicals - Regular rodeo articles updating standings
National Gay Periodicals - Regular rodeo articles updating standings
Local Gay Periodicals - Feature on Finals Rodeo
Wichita Rodeo – Banner in Rodeo Arena
Wichita Rodeo – Sponsors banners in Rodeo Arena
Wichita Rodeo – Regular arena announcements
Reno Rodeo – Banner in Rodeo Arena
Reno Rodeo – Sponsors banners in Rodeo Arena

Reno Rodeo – Regular arena announcements
Oklahoma City Rodeo – Banner in Rodeo Arena
Oklahoma City Rodeo – Sponsors banners in Rodeo Arena
Oklahoma City Rodeo – Regular arena announcements
Monthly Promotion Newsletter
Monthly Finals Rodeo Newsletter
Update FinalsRodeo.com

June

Organizational Pitches
Local Gay Periodicals - Regular rodeo articles updating contestants' standings
Local Mainstream Periodicals - Regular rodeo articles updating standings
National Gay Periodicals - Regular rodeo articles updating standings
Preview Party @ (*women's bar to be determined*)
Cedar Springs Billboard – promoting Preview Party
Albuquerque Rodeo – Banner in Rodeo Arena
Albuquerque Rodeo – Sponsors banners in Rodeo Arena
Albuquerque Rodeo – Regular arena announcements
Monthly Promotion Newsletter
Monthly Finals Rodeo Newsletter
Update FinalsRodeo.com

July

Organizational Pitches
Local Gay Periodicals - Regular rodeo articles updating contestants' standings
Local Mainstream Periodicals - Regular rodeo articles updating standings
National Gay Periodicals - Regular rodeo articles updating standings
Music Video Distribution to Dance Bars nationwide
Cedar Springs Billboard
Minneapolis Rodeo – Banner in Rodeo Arena
Minneapolis Rodeo – Sponsors banners in Rodeo Arena
Minneapolis Rodeo – Regular arena announcements
Calgary Rodeo – Banner in Rodeo Arena
Calgary Rodeo – Sponsors banners in Rodeo Arena
Calgary Rodeo – Regular arena announcements
Denver Rodeo – Banner in Rodeo Arena
Denver Rodeo – Sponsors banners in Rodeo Arena
Denver Rodeo – Regular arena announcements
Atlanta Rodeo – Banner in Rodeo Arena
Atlanta Rodeo – Sponsors banners in Rodeo Arena
Atlanta Rodeo – Regular arena announcements
Detroit Rodeo – Banner in Rodeo Arena
Detroit Rodeo – Sponsors banners in Rodeo Arena
Detroit Rodeo – Regular arena announcements
Monthly Promotion Newsletter
Monthly Finals Rodeo Newsletter

Update FinalsRodeo.com

August

Organizational Pitches

Local Gay Periodicals - Regular rodeo articles updating contestants' standings

Local Mainstream Periodicals - Regular rodeo articles updating standings

National Gay Periodicals - Regular rodeo articles updating standings

Local Point of Purchase - Posters refreshed

Local Point of Purchase – InfoCards refreshed

Local Preview Party @ site to be determined

Cedar Springs Billboard promoting Preview Party

Local Gay Periodicals – Ad campaign begins

Regional Point of Purchase – refresh Posters

Regional point of Purchase – refresh InfoCards

National Point of Purchase – refresh Posters

National Point of Purchase – refresh InfoCards

Internet – Ad campaign begins

Los Angeles Rodeo – Banner in Rodeo Arena

Los Angeles Rodeo – Sponsors banners in Rodeo Arena

Los Angeles Rodeo – Regular arena announcements

Chicago Rodeo – Banner in Rodeo Arena

Chicago Rodeo – Sponsors banners in Rodeo Arena

Chicago Rodeo – Regular arena announcements

Monthly Promotion Newsletter

Monthly Finals Rodeo Newsletter

Update FinalsRodeo.com

September

Organizational Pitches

Local Gay Periodicals - Regular rodeo articles updating contestants' standings

Local Mainstream Periodicals - Regular rodeo articles updating standings

National Gay Periodicals - Regular rodeo articles updating standings

Ticket/Information Booth Friday & Saturday Cedar Springs @ Throckmorton

Cedar Springs Billboard

Local Gay Periodicals – ad campaign continues

Internet – Ad campaign continues

Music Video distribution to Dance Bars nationwide

Kansas City Rodeo – Banner in Rodeo Arena

Kansas City Rodeo – Sponsors banners in Rodeo Arena

Kansas City Rodeo – Regular arena announcements

Washington DC Rodeo – Banner in Rodeo Arena

Washington DC Rodeo – Sponsors banners in Rodeo Arena

Washington DC Rodeo – Regular arena announcements

San Francisco Rodeo – Banner in Rodeo Arena

San Francisco Rodeo – Sponsors banners in Rodeo Arena

San Francisco Rodeo – Regular arena announcements

Houston Rodeo – Banner in Rodeo Arena
Houston Rodeo – Sponsors banners in Rodeo Arena
Houston Rodeo – Regular arena announcements
Monthly Promotion Newsletter
Monthly Finals Rodeo Newsletter
Update FinalsRodeo.com

October

Organizational Pitches
Local Gay Periodicals - Regular rodeo articles updating contestants' standings
Local Gay Periodicals – Feature article
Local Mainstream Periodicals - Regular rodeo articles updating standings
National Gay Periodicals - Regular rodeo articles updating standings
National Gay Periodicals – Preview feature
Ticket/Information Booth Friday & Saturday Cedar Springs @ Throckmorton
Local Gay Periodicals – ad campaign continues
Internet – Ad campaign continues
Cedar Springs Billboard
Local Point of Purchase – refresh Posters
Local Point of Purchase – refresh InfoCards
Music Video distribution to Dance Bars nationwide
Monthly Promotion Newsletter
Monthly Finals Rodeo Newsletter
Update FinalsRodeo.com

November

Organizational Pitches
Local Gay Periodicals - Regular rodeo articles updating contestants' standings
Local Gay Periodicals – Preview feature Nov 4th
Local Gay Periodicals – Cover story Nov 11th
Local Mainstream Periodicals – Ad Campaign Nov 11th & 12th
Local Mainstream Periodicals - Regular rodeo articles updating standings
Local Mainstream Periodicals – Preview feature Nov 4th
Local Mainstream Periodicals – Ad campaign Nov 11th & 12th
Local Radio/Television – PR appearances beginning Nov 5th
Local Radio – Ad campaign begins Nov 5th
National Gay Periodicals - Regular rodeo articles updating standings
National Gay Periodicals – Preview feature
Ticket/Information Booth Friday & Saturday Cedar Springs @ Throckmorton
Local Gay Periodicals – ad campaign continues
Internet – Ad campaign continues
Cedar Springs Billboard
Monthly Promotion Newsletter
Monthly Finals Rodeo Newsletter
Update FinalsRodeo.com

Mark Nicks

Subject: Bud Light Presents IGRA Finals Rodeo



April Sponsor Promotions

Upcoming Events

T-Town Rodeo

April 8, 9, 10 Tulsa, Oklahoma
[Details](#)

Rodeo in th eRock

April 22, 23, 24 Little Rock, Arkansas
[Details](#)

Big Horn Rodeo - Las Vegas

April 22, 23, 24 Las Vegas, Nevada
[Details](#)

Sponsorships Available

[For more information about a Finals Rodeo Sponsorship](#)

Coming up in May...

[Look for our first Finals Rodeo Preview Party](#)

Greetings!

The Cowtown Rodeo is history for another year - and what a weekend it was! Another great rodeo on the 2005 IGRA Rodeo Circuit. Lots of tough competition among the Cowboys and Cowgirls - and another great turnout from Fort Worth and Dallas as well as from around the country. It all climaxes in Dallas at the IGRA Finals Rodeo November 10th - 13th.

This April PR Blast will keep you up to date on all the activities we have planned this month to promote Finals Rodeo and our Rodeo Sponsors.

T-Town Rodeo / Tulsa, Oklahoma

Finals Rodeo Sponsors will be prominently featured in all our advertising during the T-Town Rodeo since it is one of our prime areas we draw from. Arena Banners, Host Hotel Banners and announcements during the rodeo.



Rodeo in the Rock

Another popular rodeo that will likely send a number of spectators to Finals Rodeo - The annual rodeo in Little Rock, Arkansas. Prime exposure is guaranteed at this rodeo.



Big Horn Rodeo

What more famous rodeo site (outside of Texas that is) than Las Vegas, Nevada - home of the National Finals Rodeo. It's one of the most popular rodeos on the IGRA rodeo circuit. And Finals in Dallas will be prominently featured, as will all our Finals Rodeo Sponsors.



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Mark Nicks

Subject: FW: News from IGRA Finals Rodeo



April 29, 2005

IGRA Finals Rodeo Newsletter

Finals Rodeo Comes to Dallas in just 6 months



Greetings!

Believe it or not, we're just over 6 months from Finals Rodeo in Dallas! And as we head into the month of May we have lots of activities planned to kickoff our pre-rodeo countdown.

And the whole thing gets a kickstart from the Learning Channel with tonight's episode of *Sheer Dallas*. Rodeo star Steve Daigle is featured in the series on TLC at 9:00 pm Central Time. You'll get to see Steve and lots of other Cowboys and Cowgirls in action at the **Cowtown Rodeo** last month in Fort Worth.



The Learning Channel

Rodeo Kickoff

Friday May 6th at the Round-Up Saloon

Then we'll officially start the 6-month countdown with a Rodeo Kickoff party at the Round-Up Saloon in Dallas. It all takes place Friday May 6th beginning at 8:00 pm.

Lots of fun and entertainment with a cookout on the patio, giveaways all night long and plenty of information on what will be the best Finals Rodeo you've ever seen. We'll feature a rodeo video called **Steers & Queers & Beers** as well as the premier of our Finals music video.



- ClubNIN
- Texas Twisters
- Country Singer Kyle Lloyd Mistrot
- Rodeo Stars Steve Daigle & Charlie Colella
- and much more

- [More on the Rodeo Kickoff](#)

Upcoming Rodeos

Wichita, Reno & Oklahoma City

And don't forget the next rodeos on the IGRA rodeo circuit.



Rodeo Wichita - May 13-15

Comstock Stampede - Reno - May 13-15

Great Plains Rodeo - Oklahoma City - May 27- 29

All roads lead to Finals. Great competition as they fight for the points needed to get an invitation to Dallas this November.

- [Rodeo Wichita](#)
- [Comstock Stampede](#)
- [Great Plains Rodeo](#)
- [Finals Rodeo](#)

Call for Volunteers

We Need You...



If you want to be involved in Finals Rodeo, we need you! Our steering committee is looking for a few more committed individuals who are interested in working with us. Finals Rodeo in Dallas is sure to be one of the spotlight events in our community and we want you to be a part of it.

We also have opportunities to participate as a Rodeo Sponsor, Advertiser or Vendor. If you're interested in one of these

options, we want to hear from you. Call us at 214 446-0316 or send us an email by clicking on one of the links below.

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Mark Nicks

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Subject: News from IGRA Finals Rodeo



IGRA Finals Rodeo Newsletter

The Countdown to Finals Begins

May 6, 2005

Dear Mark,

May begins the official countdown to Finals Rodeo in Dallas. We are now six months away from one of the biggest events Dallas has ever seen. And we'll have lots of activities during May to get this party started. It all begins Friday night at the *Round-Up Saloon* in Dallas with a Kickoff Party beginning at 8:00pm. We'll also keep you updated on some of your favorite rodeo contesants. We'll let you know how they're doing and where to see them next. And finally, we'll point out some great specials that will save you some money when you join us in Dallas on November 10th thru 13th for **IGRA's Finals Rodeo!**

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- Holding on to First Place
- May Rodeos

Finals Rodeo Dallas

Kickin' it Off Right



May begins the six-month countdown to a whole town full of Cowboys and Cowgirls from all over the US and Canada. We'll get this kicked off the Dallas way. No not with big hair, but with a party at the *Round-Up Saloon* in Dallas. It all takes place Friday night May 6th at 8:00pm. Singin' and Dancin' and prizes and a cookout. We'll premier the Finals Rodeo music video. And much, much more. You will want to be on hand for this one.

[Read on...](#)

His Bike's a Buckin' Bronc



If you've successfully ridden an 800-pound bull, what could be harder to ride? Well apparently a bicycle. At least it is when a 2,000-pound car is involved. But Steve Daigle is determined to be back in the saddle this month.

[Read on...](#)

Holding on to First Place



She's been riding for less than five years, but she's regularly beating contestants who've been doing this all their lives. Will she be able to keep it up? Doreen will be trying to do just that in Wichita and Oklahoma City later this month.

[Read on...](#)

May Rodeos



Until November, all the action will be at the rodeos coming to an arena near you as all our contestants work for the points needed to get to Finals.

Up next **Rodeo Wichita** May 13-15 in Wichita, Kansas.



That same weekend is the **Comstock Stampede** in Reno.

And we'll bring May to a close in Oklahoma City, site of the annual **Great Plains Rodeo**, on Memorial Day Weekend.

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COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: Vice President Report

Committee Chair(s): Mitch Gill

Committee Members: 2005 Royalty Team

Date & Time of Last Meeting: Las Vegas/ Reno/ Oklahoma

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: Business Cards/ Plan of Action/ Rodeo attendance

Planned fundraiser/ Listings on web page/ Association Royalty

Items of Critical Importance (to be discussed at the next BOD meeting):

Removeable of Royalty Member

ADA

Use of IGRA Logo

Items Requiring Action (to be voted on at the next BOD meeting):

Removable of royalty member

ADA

USE of IGRA Logo

No report at this time

Respectfully submitted. Mitch Gill

To: IGRA Board of Directors
May 22, 2005
Oklahoma City, OK.

- The final total was \$9,204 for the 2004 IGRA Royalty Team. At this time they are gathering the paper work to that this money can be given out in June.
- Our 2005 Team will make a charity recommendation during their report for the funds raised by the Royalty contestants (\$7,959).
- With 50% going to charity (\$3,979.50)
- Thus far our 2005 Team has raised \$4,825.
- Several Team members have completed their financial obligations.
- The Team has raised \$21,081 in their communities.
- We have had three royalty meetings, as well as ongoing communication by email and have set their plans of action in motion. The team has traveled to several rodeos and well as other events across the nation. One of them will be traveling to Gay Days in Florida.
 - Raise \$2,000 each, in addition to the requirements
 - All rodeos covered with IGRA Royalty attendance
 - Keep a positive attitude
 - Increase visibility
 - Increase participation
 - Assist Association Royalty
 - Create a handbook of fundraising ideas/sponsorship
 - Create a finals Royalty participation fund
 - Assist webmaster with making the Royalty Page more informative
 - Travel arrangements (Working on sponsorship with American & America West)

Royalty Rodeo Forecast/Rodeo's Attended:

- Phoenix: Pussy LeHoot, Gaylia Young, Pauline Chavez, Eric Ziegler, and Destiny B. Child
- Ft. Worth: Beverly Lay, Destiny B. Childs, Amber Diva Daniels, and Wade Earp.
- Tulsa: Ken Pool and Wade Earp
- Las Vegas: Gaylia Young, Pussy LeHoot, Destiny B. Childs, Pauline Chavez and Eric Ziegler
- Little Rock: Ken Pool
- Reno: Eric Ziegler, Destiny B. Childs,
- OKC: Ken Pool, Beverly Lay, Amber Diva Daniels and Wade Earp
- Wichita: Ken Pool, Wade Earp
- Albuquerque: Beverly Lay, Gaylia Young, Pauline Chavez, Pussy LeHoot, Eric Ziegler, Destiny B. Childs, Ken Pool, Wade Earp.
- Minneapolis/St. Paul: Ken Pool

- Calgary: Eric Ziegler
- Denver: Beverly Lay, Gaylia Young, Pauline Chavez, Pussy LeHoot, Eric Ziegler, Destiny B. Childs, Wade Earp, Ken Pool
- Atlanta: Destiny B. Childs, Wade Earp
- Detroit: Destiny B. Childs, Ken Pool
- LA: Amber Diva Daniels, Pauline Chavez, Eric Ziegler, Destiny B. Childs, Wade Earp
- San Francisco: Pussy LeHoot, Eric Ziegler, Ken Pool
- Chicago: Beverly Lay, Gaylia Young, Pauline Chavez, Pussy LeHoot, Eric Ziegler, Destiny B. Childs, Wade Earp, Ken Pool
- Kansas City: Beverly Lay, Destiny B. Childs, Wade Earp
- Washington DC: Destiny B. Childs, Gaylia Young, Pussy LeHoot, Eric Ziegler, Ken Pool
- San Diego: Canceled
- Houston: Beverly Lay, Amber Diva Daniels
- Convention: Gaylia Young, Pauline Chavez, Pussy LeHoot, Eric Ziegler, Destiny B. Childs, Wade Earp, Ken Pool
- Finals: Beverly Lay, Gaylia Young, Amber Diva Daniels, Pauline Chavez, Pussy LeHoot, Eric Ziegler, Destiny B. Childs, Wade Earp, Ken Pool

Other:

- All room requests at IGRA Rodeos will go thru the Vice President in the form of a formal request to the rodeo directors. (this request must be thirty days out)
- Requesting contact information from all Association Royalty at this time.
- Requesting Association Royalty Requirements and Contest formats.
- Team is developing a study guide so that each association has the tools they need to compete for IGRA. Also working on a skeleton program to be able to give the Associations so they can produce a first-class royalty competition.
- Working with past Royalty teams in putting together a Royalty Task Force, for the purpose of guiding Association and reigning IGRA royalty.
- Working on getting Team out to more community events, besides IGRA rodeos.

Items to discuss and vote on:

- Americans with Disabilities Act: At this time we have a royalty contestant that has broken her ankle. She feels that according to her doctor she will not be able to complete her horsemanship tape. According to IGRA Bylaws/Standing Rules. Section C page 48 Section 20 it states:

The IGRA Royalty Competition will not discriminate against anyone based on disability according to the Americans with Disabilities ACT (ADA). If a contestant requires special accommodations or cannot compete in a certain category of the IGRA Royalty Competition because of his/her disability, that contestant must notify the IGRA Vice President ninety (90) days prior to the IGRA Royalty Competition. At that time, the IGRA Vice President and the

Board of Directors Meeting
May 27th, 2005
Secretary's Report

Please continue to submit your alternates to the four division chairs and me for upcoming rodeos and board meetings. Also forward current membership lists to the administrative assistant and me. Some of the membership lists are over 6 months old!

Please continue to assign one person to collect the following information and mail back to me:

- Pre-rodeo minutes
- Post-rodeo minutes
- Rodeo checklist
- Stock contractor insurance certificate, if available
- Compliance checklist
- Roll call
- Protest forms, if any
- Injury forms, if any
- Contestant surveys, if any

This is the official notice that nominations for international awards will be accepted up until Monday, August 22, 2005. This will give you 12 weeks to meet with your associations. Ballots will be distributed at the board meeting in Chicago to be returned to me that weekend. The results will be announced at annual convention in Calgary.

The Board of Directors and/or Trustees determine the following awards:

- Director's Award (5) – determined by the Board of Directors
- Trustee's Award (5) – determined by the Board of Trustees
- International Award (5) – determined by the Board of Directors
- Appreciation Award – Two (2) per Member Association

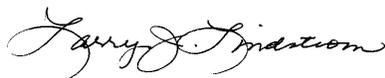
The Service Award will be presented to these past board members:

- Craig Rouse, past IGRA President
- Ron Trusley, past IGRA Secretary
- Ray Stapp, GGRA Trustee
- Al Wright, GSGRA Trustee
- Char Werth, HGRA Trustee
- Guy Puglisi, NGRA Trustee
- Jorge Ramirez, NMGRA Trustee
- Ric Poston, SSRA Trustee
- Charley Lanier, TGRA Trustee

The following awards are determined by their respective position:

- President's Award (1) – determined by Brian Helander
- Media Award (1) – determined by Tom Sheridan
- Web Site Award (1) – determined by Frank Harrell

Respectfully submitted,



IGRA Secretary



COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: Treasurer

Committee Chair(s): David Hill

Committee Members: N/A

Date & Time of Last Meeting: N/A

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: N/A

Items of Critical Importance (to be discussed at the next BOD meeting):

North Star sanction fee was due 5/2

Southern Spurs sanction fee was due 5/23

Items Requiring Action (to be voted on at the next BOD meeting):

With the cancellation of rodeo we will need to recalculate the Bud Light and Bacardi Silver money. I believe we should wait until year end before the recalculation.

No report at this time

Respectfully submitted, David Hill



COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: Animal Issues and Concerns

Committee Chair(s): Rik Kelly

Committee Members: _____

Date & Time of Last Meeting: Convention 2004

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: _____

Items of Critical Importance (to be discussed at the next BOD meeting):

Items Requiring Action (to be voted on at the next BOD meeting):

Attached is a form for animal injuries. It is not required, but I think it would be a good

idea to have it available, as the Chute Coordinators/Arena Directors are currently using the

contestant injury form and doctoring it.

No report at this time

Respectfully submitted, Rik Kelly

IGRA Animal Injury Report

To: Animal Issues and Concerns Committee
C/O IGRA
PO Box 460504
Aurora, CO 80046-0504

From: _____
Arena Director: _____

Chute Coord.: _____

Date: _____

Rodeo: _____

Day: Saturday Sunday

Owner: Contestant Stock Contractor Other _____

Event: _____ (If not injured during an event, enter None)

Brief description of injury:

Cause of injury (if known):

Treatment (Seen by the Vet, treated by owner, no treatment, etc.)



COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: Arena Director

Committee Chair(s): Kim Dawson, Al Wright

Committee Members: Kim Dawson, Jorge Ramirez, Brian Helander, and Al Wright

Date & Time of Last Meeting: February 18, 2005

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: Asked Jorge Ramirez to join the committee. We have had subsequent e-mail among the committee members. We have one request from Jay Beck to enter Arena Director program.

Items of Critical Importance (to be discussed at the next BOD meeting):

None at this time.

Items Requiring Action (to be voted on at the next BOD meeting):

Action for the Trustee meeting.

Requesting Re-certification of Arena Directors listed below:

Kim Dawson, Al Wright

No report at this time

Respectfully submitted, Co-chairs Kim Dawson, Al Wright



COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: Auditor, Secretary, Scorekeeper

Committee Chair(s): Jeffrey Shaw (Guy Publisi, Vice-Chair)

Committee Members: All certified officials in these categories.

Date & Time of Last Meeting: Convention 2004

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: Goal #1 Improve communications within the committee.

Keep everyone aware of problems affecting rodeos throughout the year.

Goal #2 Work more closely with those who wish to become certified and help prospective new officials to find positions necessary for their growth and certification.

Items of Critical Importance (to be discussed at the next BOD meeting):

None to my knowledge.

Items Requiring Action (to be voted on at the next BOD meeting):

None to my knowledge.

No report at this time

Respectfully submitted, Jeffrey Shaw, Chairperson

YTD Budget Report
January through April 2005

| | Jan - Apr '05 | Budget | \$ Over Budget | Explanation > 10% |
|--|------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---|
| Income | | | | |
| 4110 · Rodeo sanction fees | 5,400.00 | 6,600.00 | (1,200.00) | Great Plains/North Star due |
| 4120 · Rodeo additional seat tax | 608.50 | 1,200.00 | (591.50) | RRRR \$434/Cowtown \$175 |
| 4130 · Rodeo general operating income | 2,365.00 | 1,500.00 | 865.00 | Entered events increased |
| 4140 · Rodeo fines income | 150.00 | 250.00 | (100.00) | Finals \$50/T-Town \$100 |
| 4150 · Rodeo finals contestant entries | - | - | - | |
| 4200 · Initiation fees/annual dues | - | - | - | |
| 4300 · Mr/Ms/Miss entry fees | - | - | - | |
| 4310 · Mr/Ms/Miss fund raisers | 4,349.75 | 750.00 | 3,599.75 | Mr's \$978/Ms's \$1,033/Miss' \$2,339 |
| 4320 · Mr/Ms/Miss cont fund raisers | 101.00 | - | 101.00 | Mr AGRA \$101 |
| 4400 · Contributions | 6,000.00 | 6,000.00 | - | |
| 4470 · IGRA University income | 11,270.00 | 15,800.00 | (4,530.00) | |
| 4500 · Contestant mailing income | - | - | - | |
| 4600 · Interest income | 368.70 | 200.00 | 168.70 | Cash balances higher than budgeted |
| 4700 · Merchandise commission | 51.70 | 150.00 | (98.30) | Rainbow & Stars \$52 |
| 4750 · Avis commission income | - | - | - | |
| 4800 · Miscellaneous income | - | - | - | |
| Total Income | 30,664.65 | 32,450.00 | (1,785.35) | |
| Expense | | | | |
| 6500 · Office supplies | 851.12 | 400.00 | 451.12 | Announcer cards \$460 |
| 6510 · Telephone expense | 389.14 | 350.00 | 39.14 | Conference call \$71 over budget |
| 6520 · Postage | 1,087.37 | 500.00 | 587.37 | Rulebooks postage \$523 over budget |
| 6530 · Printing | 1,344.15 | 150.00 | 1,194.15 | Rulebooks printing \$942 over budget |
| 6560 · Payroll expenses | 3,249.39 | 3,410.00 | (160.61) | |
| 7500 · Document scanning fee | - | 500.00 | (500.00) | Nothing scanned to date |
| 7530 · Committee meeting expense | 88.41 | 300.00 | (211.59) | Judge's room night \$88 |
| 7540 · Dance competition | - | - | - | |
| 7550 · Royalty competition | - | - | - | |
| 7600 · Travel | 2,334.27 | 2,600.00 | (265.73) | Travel purchases timing |
| 7650 · Executive meeting expense | 2,596.90 | 1,200.00 | 1,396.90 | OKC meeting paid in April \$1200 |
| 7750 · Computer-hardware | 472.32 | 3,000.00 | (2,527.68) | Flash mem \$239/Serial cord \$94/3 keypad \$132 |
| 7760 · Computer-software | 93.39 | 500.00 | (406.61) | Norton \$78/dosPRN \$15 |
| 7770 · Computer-maintenance | 225.01 | - | 225.01 | HP 7110 replaced with HP 7130 |
| 7780 · Computer-on line services | 488.12 | 740.00 | (251.88) | Not all submitted |
| 8100 · Name badges | 404.50 | 400.00 | 4.50 | |
| 8150 · Rodeo finals contestant payout | - | - | - | |
| 8200 · Marketing expense | 1,682.30 | 2,500.00 | (817.70) | ASGRA not submitted |
| 8300 · Rodeo school expense | - | 750.00 | (750.00) | Paid in May |
| 8471 · Facility costs | - | 2,500.00 | (2,500.00) | Not submitted |
| 8472 · Food service | - | 5,600.00 | (5,600.00) | Not submitted |
| 8473 · Instructor honorarium | 4,050.00 | 4,800.00 | (750.00) | Less instructors |
| 8473 · Supplies/printing | 1,130.86 | 2,900.00 | (1,769.14) | Not all submitted |
| 8470 · IGRA University expense total | 5,180.86 | 15,800.00 | (10,619.14) | |
| 8500 · Donations and contributions | - | - | - | |
| 8510 · Legal and professional services | 259.67 | 500.00 | (240.33) | Broadcast Music Inc \$260 |
| 8520 · Taxes and licenses | 2,870.00 | 2,000.00 | 870.00 | 04 income more than budgeted |
| 8530 · Bank charges | 4.01 | 50.00 | (45.99) | Balances lowered charges |
| 8535 · Credit card charges | 280.00 | 230.00 | 50.00 | Virtual check not budgeted \$50 |
| 8540 · Contestant mailing expense | - | - | - | |
| 8700 · Sponsorship compliance | - | 200.00 | (200.00) | Nothing to date |
| 8800 · Presidents discretionary fund | - | - | - | |
| 8900 · Convention registration fees | - | - | - | |
| 8950 · Convention int'l awards | 270.00 | - | 270.00 | 04 Jakino/Olsen HOF buckles |
| 9520 · Bad debt expense | - | - | - | |
| Total Expense | 24,170.93 | 36,080.00 | (11,909.07) | |
| Net Income | 6,493.72 | (3,630.00) | 10,123.72 | |



COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: Bylaws and Standing Rules

Committee Chair(s): Benjamin Avant

Committee Members: _____

Date & Time of Last Meeting: IGRA Convention

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: _____

Items of Critical Importance (to be discussed at the next BOD meeting):

Items Requiring Action (to be voted on at the next BOD meeting):

No report at this time

Respectfully submitted, Benjamin Avant



COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: Chute Coordinator Committee

Committee Chair(s): Kim Dawson, David Hallwood

Committee Members: Al Wright, Brian Helander (not in attendance)

Date & Time of Last Meeting: 02/18/05

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: Recertification of Chute Coordinators, Web group for Chute Coordinators and persons in Chute Coordinators program, database in progress of persons in Chute Coordinator program.

Items of Critical Importance (to be discussed at the next BOD meeting):

1. Web group for Chute Coordinators started May 05.
2. Certification of Scott Stringer, TGRA.
3. Recertification Issue of Jeannie McLeod, TGRA.

Items Requiring Action (to be voted on at the next BOD meeting):

1. Certification of Scott Stringer.

No report at this time

Respectfully submitted, David Hallwood



COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: Convention 2005

Committee Chair(s): Alan Frank

Committee Members: Del Stevenson, Judy Munson, Pierre Cadieux, Heather Murray, Alec Masse, Greg Holsworth, Mike Quail

Date & Time of Last Meeting: April 11, 2005

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: Discussed plans for the convention and updated each area.

Hotel arrangements are finalized. Web site has been updated with hotel information and registration form. Have Partner

Program finalized by mid-May and on Web site shortly after. Alan to meet with hotel to confirm times and space again of

conference rooms. Judy is working with bars on sponsorship and pub crawl. Mike is to find a wood dance floor to rent.

Need to finalize location of Saturday night dance competition and dance. Between regular hall for monthly dances and Symons Valley ranch.

Items of Critical Importance (to be discussed at the next BOD meeting):

First draft of Friday seminars to be ready. Partners program to be finalized and registration on

Web site. Final location of dance competition to be decided. Update on the nightly entertainment.

Items Requiring Action (to be voted on at the next BOD meeting):

Final dance competition location.

No report at this time

Respectfully submitted, Alan Frank



COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: Corporate Sponsors

Committee Chair(s): Brian Helander

Committee Members: Mitch Gill, Larry Lindstrom, David Hill

Date & Time of Last Meeting: April 1, 2005

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: HERO unit has committed up to \$50,000 as a sponsor.

They will produce the 2005 IGRA season as a sport event for QTV.

Items of Critical Importance (to be discussed at the next BOD meeting):

Use of proceeds from this sponsorship is unrestriced and the use of funds needs

to be determined by the BOD based on a recommendation by the Executive committee

Items Requiring Action (to be voted on at the next BOD meeting):

Use of proceeds from HERO Unit Sponsorship as attached

No report at this time

Respectfully submitted, Brian Helander

Hero Unit Productions

The following is the May 13th draft of how \$5,000 from each filming will be distributed:

1. **Association Fund.** \$1,500.00 to be split among all rodeos and paid out at year-end. Finals rodeo excluded. If Hero Unit films 10 rodeos and IGRA has 19 rodeos, the payment would be approximately \$785 per rodeo.
2. **IGRA General Account.** \$1,500.00 to be used for...
 - development and implementation of a marketing plan,
 - support for struggling rodeos (i.e. SWAT Team),
 - outreach (i.e. royalty work), and
 - promotion of all IGRA rodeos at expos and trade shows.
3. **Contestant Support Fund.** \$1,500.00 to be accrued to the 2006 rodeos. Based on 10 rodeos filmed in 2005 and 20 rodeos scheduled for 2006, the amount would be approximately \$750 per rodeo.
4. **Hosting Association.** \$500.00 paid directly to the association where the rodeo was filmed.



COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: Dance

Committee Chair(s): Lorry King and Mike Quail

Committee Members: _____

Date & Time of Last Meeting: Several, via e-mail

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: See attached

Items of Critical Importance (to be discussed at the next BOD meeting):

Items Requiring Action (to be voted on at the next BOD meeting):

No report at this time

Respectfully submitted, Lorry King and Mike Quail

IGRA DANCE COMMITTEE REPORT
MAY 27, 2005
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

During this last quarter the Committee had many e-mail meetings to discuss music and line dances. We are required to post the Division I music and the Line Dances six months prior to the Competition. This was done with Webmaster Frank's help. When a potential competitor clicks on a Line Dance name, he/she will be taken to the step sheet.

Between now and the next Board Meeting, we will begin to collect and discuss any Standing Rules changes or proposals, preparing for Convention.

I urge all Trustees to bring the IGRA Web site Dance page to the notice of their Association. Now that the Line Dances have been chosen, they can be taught, danced, and Association competitions can utilize them. The Chairs and Committee Members remain committed to assisting all Associations with Dance Competitions or Workshops and are available via phone, email, or in person for training, advice, and coordination.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lorry King
Mike Quail



COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: IGRA Hall of Fame Committee

Committee Chair(s): Charlotte Werth

Committee Members: Ashley Anderson, Thom Brennan, Kim Dawson, Lorry King, Ken Po

Date & Time of Last Meeting: 2004 IGRA Convention - Continuously by email

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: Buckles were presented in Phoenix for the 2004 Inductees,

Wayne Jakino and Greg Olson. A request for 2005 nominations was sent to Trustees, Associations

and Chapters in April. A Hall of Fame page was added to the website to showcase the inductees

and will be expanded in the future. The nomination form has been updated and is attached.

Items of Critical Importance (to be discussed at the next BOD meeting):

The committee is meeting in Oklahoma City to make selections for 2005 inductees.

Items Requiring Action (to be voted on at the next BOD meeting):

No report at this time

Respectfully submitted, Charlotte Werth



IGRA Hall of Fame
Nomination Form



Nominations must be made by a member of an I.G.R.A. Association and submitted on the Hall of Fame nominating form.

The requirements for nomination are:

- A. Each nominee must have substantially advanced the development and growth of gay rodeo or have accrued an outstanding record or achieved a prominent position in the sport.
- B. No person shall be nominated because of a financial contribution.

Nominee: _____

Reason for Nomination (attach additional sheet, if necessary): _____

Submitted By:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

E-mail address: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Send to:

IGRA Hall of Fame Committee
 PO Box 460504
 Aurora, CO 80046-0504
 E-mail: admin.assistant@igra.com



COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: Information Systems

Committee Chair(s): David Hill

Committee Members: N/A

Date & Time of Last Meeting: N/A

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: N/A

Items of Critical Importance (to be discussed at the next BOD meeting):

Items Requiring Action (to be voted on at the next BOD meeting):

No report at this time

Respectfully submitted, David Hill



COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: Internet Technology

Committee Chair(s): Frank Harrell

Committee Members: Frank Harrell

Date & Time of Last Meeting: N/A

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: N/A

Items of Critical Importance (to be discussed at the next BOD meeting):

Items Requiring Action (to be voted on at the next BOD meeting):

No report at this time

Respectfully submitted, Frank Harrell



COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: Judges

Committee Chair(s): Amy Griffin & Rick Jones

Committee Members: above and Thom Sloan

Date & Time of Last Meeting: 04/23/05 AG & RJ in person, TS added via phone.

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: Review progress of students, discuss recertifications, discuss content and format. Since last BOD meeting, seminar held on 04/22/05 in Little Rock attended by Dee Zuspan and Travis Gardner, facilitated by Rick Jones. Remaining seminars for 2005 are Burbank (Los Angeles), Chicago, and convention.

Items of Critical Importance (to be discussed at the next BOD meeting):

n/a

Items Requiring Action (to be voted on at the next BOD meeting):

n/a

No report at this time

Respectfully submitted, Amy Griffin & Rick Jones 05/27/05



COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: Marketing

Committee Chair(s): Brian Helander

Committee Members: Mitch Gill, Larry Lindstrom, David Hill

Date & Time of Last Meeting: May 13, 2005

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: The committee recommends spending up to \$2,500

engaging the Kur Carr group in Phoenix to develop a marketing plan and materials for IGRA.

Steve Carr has previous experience with professional rodeo and dealing with the GBLTQI

community.

Items of Critical Importance (to be discussed at the next BOD meeting):

Items Requiring Action (to be voted on at the next BOD meeting):

The BOD is asked to ratify this recommendation by a vote. Brian will then contact the

Kur Carr Group and begin the process.

No report at this time

Respectfully submitted, Brian Helander



COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: Membership Committee

Committee Chair(s): Larry Lindstrom

Committee Members: _____

Date & Time of Last Meeting: _____

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: _____

Items of Critical Importance (to be discussed at the next BOD meeting):

Accepting the Florida Gay Rodeo Association (FGRA) as a Recognized Member Association

(see attached report).

Items Requiring Action (to be voted on at the next BOD meeting):

No report at this time

Respectfully submitted, Larry Lindstrom

Board of Directors Meeting
May 27, 2005
Membership Report

It is my pleasure to introduce the **Florida Gay Rodeo Association** (FGRA).

As required by the IGRA bylaws, the following items have been submitted to me:

- Completed membership application (Exhibit A),
- Articles of incorporation,
- Documentation as a non-profit corporation,
- Current bylaws and standing rules,
- Terms of agreement (Exhibit V), and
- A membership list.

The following members will serve as the first board of directors for FGRA:

- President Todd Garrett
- Vice President Bryan Hodges
- Secretary Carl Davis
- Treasurer Jack Early Jr.
- Trustee Barry Luke

The FGRA has a Web site located at www.fgra.org. They have also selected the name **Sunshine Stampede** for the name of their rodeo. On Friday, June 3rd Brian and I will be attending an evening rodeo at the Kissimmee Sports Arena, one of the possible sites for their rodeo.

The committee recommendation is to accept the Florida Gay Rodeo Association (FGRA) as a Recognized Member Association to be later seated at annual convention in Calgary.

I have also been in contact with another group interested in forming an association in Toronto, but they are in the very early stages of arousing interest in their community.

Respectfully submitted,





COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: Merchandising

Committee Chair(s): Ronn Anacabe

Committee Members: _____

Date & Time of Last Meeting: No meeting yet.

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: _____

Items of Critical Importance (to be discussed at the next BOD meeting):

Vendor information/photography has NOT been delivered to me.

Items Requiring Action (to be voted on at the next BOD meeting):

No report at this time

Respectfully submitted, Ronn Anacabe



COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: RODEO RESOURCES

Committee Chair(s): BRIAN ROGERS

Committee Members: _____

Date & Time of Last Meeting: IGRA UNIVERSITY - DALLAS/FT. WORTH

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: SEMINAR & RELEASE OF 2005 GUIDEBOOK

Items of Critical Importance (to be discussed at the next BOD meeting):

None

Items Requiring Action (to be voted on at the next BOD meeting):

Several Updates have been posted to the IGRA Web site, including:

removal of Danny Clegg from Stock Contractor's list, and revision of sample stock contract to
specifically enumerate the number of personnel required to move stock.

2005 IRS 1099 Misc form posted - Numerous minor corrections and changes.

No report at this time

Respectfully submitted, BRIAN ROGERS



COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: Rodeo Rules

Committee Chair(s): Frank Elam, Jr., Michael Norman

Committee Members: _____

Date & Time of Last Meeting: Convention 2004

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: _____

Items of Critical Importance (to be discussed at the next BOD meeting):

None

Items Requiring Action (to be voted on at the next BOD meeting):

None

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Ad-hoc Committee on Rodeo Sanctioning Procedure

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Potential Criteria:

1. Rodeo Checklist (score): Modify the checklist to give a range of scores on items where the answer is really not just yes or no; suggested range (1 – 5).
2. Contestant Feedback: Revise and simplify the current form, again coming up with a score AND suggestions for improvement.
3. Public Relations / Advertising: Develop criteria and have a “bid” committee evaluate submitted articles, documentation of radio/TV coverage, all advertising, and all events held throughout the year.
4. Effective / Entertaining Show: Develop criteria and have a committee of Trustees present evaluate the effectiveness/show value AND give suggestions for improvement.
5. Corporate Compliance (score): Again, modify the checklist to give a range of scores on items where the answer is not always just yes or no.
6. Sponsor Feedback: Develop criteria. Were the sponsor's happy with the event? Would they sponsor again? At the same level, and increased level or a decreased level? AND suggestions for improvement.
7. Percentage of gay population through the gate – judge attendance based on areas gay population, not strictly on the raw number of “butts in seats”

Other potential criteria:

8. Number of contestants: some minimum number is met, should there be a maximum (see entertaining show)?
9. Gross/Net Income: is the rodeo profitable?

10. Donation to charities: is the rodeo supporting its community?
11. Arena/Facilities: Develop criteria and evaluate the proposed arena/facilities including the host hotel and functions planned.
12. New Association or New Rodeo? If so, criteria 1-10 would not be applicable, then what?

Evaluation:

Pass/Fail in each area, with a minimum of X of Y criteria to be sanctionable.

Procedure:

Proposed dates: two or three years out? Do we need to look at further out in today's climate? Would we prohibit a rodeo that did not propose its date at least two years in advance?

Rodeo approval: current rules state 6 months prior (meaning this must be moved out of convention and into Board meetings)

What happens to events not sanctioned?

Still hold a rodeo, that just doesn't count towards the IGRA circuit (including IGRA level sponsorships, etc.)?

Hold a smaller scale event?