



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Tuscany Suites & Casino – Las Vegas

Friday, February 20, 2009

10:00 am.

AGENDA

Call to Order

Welcome and Introductions

Roll Call

Approval of Previous Minutes
New Orleans – October 30, 2008

Approval of Previous Financial Reports
October, November, December 2008 & January 2009

Executive Board Reports

President

Brian Helander

Vice President

Andrew Goodman

Secretary

Larry Lindstrom

Treasurer

David Hill

Administrative Assistant

Tommy Channel

Trustees Committee Chair

Pierre Cadieux

Standing Committees

Animal Issues & Concerns	–	Jim Mitchell
Arena Directors	–	Jorge Ramirez
Auditors, Secretaries, & Scorekeepers	–	Ron Trusley
Budget	–	David Hill
Bylaws & Standing Rules	–	Benjamin Avant
Chute Coordinators	–	Jorge Ramirez
Community Outreach–Fundraising–Royalty	–	2009 Royalty Team
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Convention	–	Ed LaPointe
Corporate Sponsors	–	Christopher Chopping
Dance	–	Ernie Bowers
Finals Rodeo 2009	–	Roger Courtemanche
Growth & Planning	–	Michael Lentz
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2010 University – January 2010
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New Business

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Adjournment



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EPRB MEETING
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Earp v. Jones

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MINUTES

The regular quarterly meeting of the IGRA Executive Committee was held on Friday, February 20, 2009 at 5 pm at the Tuscany Suites & Casino in Las Vegas, the President being in the chair and the Secretary being present.

The following members were present.

President	Brian Helander
Vice President	Andrew Goodman
Secretary	Larry Lindstrom
Treasurer	David Hill
Division 1	Brian Rogers
Division 3	Ray Ostmann
Division 4	Ernie Bowers

The Executive Committee had the following 5 items to discuss.

Insurance. Brian asked with the cancellation of the HGRA rodeo if 16 rodeos would be cheaper than 17. It was decided to keep the point system as approved in the Board of Directors meeting.

Finals Rodeo 2010. It was agreed to change the date on the RFP to March 31 and include it with the distribution of the University RFP. The committee would also consider a 2-year contract.

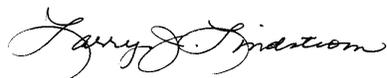
Contestant Crisis Fund. Brian Rogers moved to approve the request from Cindy Harrison in the amount of \$500. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Planned Giving. Considering that Frank Harrell and Tom Lott have included IGRA in their wills, IGRA will establish an *IGRA Legacy Gift* program and post it on the Web site.

Delegate Fee. It was suggested from past convention planners that the delegate fee be taken out of the bidding process and determined by the Executive Committee. David Hill moved for the delegate fee to be set at \$100 for both 2010 and 2011. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Brian Rogers moved that requests for bids go out and be submitted no later than 60 days prior to convention for consideration for presentation at convention. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Upon no further business to be conducted, the meeting was adjourned at 5:35 pm.



Larry Lindstrom, IGRA Secretary



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MINUTES

The regular quarterly meeting of the International Gay Rodeo Association (IGRA) was held on Friday, February 20, 2009 at 10 am at the Tuscany Suites & Casino in Las Vegas, the President being in the chair and the Secretary being present. The minutes of the previous meeting in New Orleans were approved with no corrections.

Ron Trusley was appointed parliamentarian and new board members were introduced.

The following board members and guests were present.

President	Brian Helander	Admin. Assistant	Tommy Channel
Vice President	Andrew Goodman	Webmaster	Frank Harrell
Secretary	Larry Lindstrom		
Treasurer	David Hill		
AGRA	Ron Trusley		
ARGRA Alternate	Rob Somers		
ASGRA Alternate	Jon Hoehn		
CCGRA Alternate	Mark Samuel		
CGRA	John Beck		
DSRA Alternate	Dusty West		
FGRA	Keith Huber		
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MIGRA	David Hallwood		
NGRA	Brian Rogers		
NSGRA	Carl Stange		
OGRA	Mary Arbuckle		
SCCGRA	Jeff Barr		
SMRA	Justin James Waldner		
TGRA	Rik Kelly		

Brian Rogers moved to approve the financial reports from October, November, and December 2008 and from January 2009. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Executive Board Reports.

President. Brian Helander deferred his report to later in the meeting.

Vice President. Andrew Goodman submitted a written report. He highlighted that the 2009 Royalty Team has raised \$1,405 and that Trisha Davis has already met her fundraising minimum requirement. Plans for the Royalty Competition in Toronto are progressing nicely.

Secretary. Larry Lindstrom submitted a written report.

Treasurer. David Hill deferred his report to later in the meeting.

Administrative Assistant. Tommy Channel deferred his report to later in the meeting.

Trustees Chair. Substituting for Pierre Cadieux, Ray Ostmann announced that the Trustees meeting would follow immediately after the board meeting and the EPRB meeting immediately following the Trustees meeting. The Executive Committee meeting would follow the EPRB.

Committee Reports.

Arena Directors. Jorge Ramirez submitted a written report.

Budget. David Hill deferred his report to later in the meeting.

Bylaws. Benjamin Avant submitted a “no report.”

Chute Coordinators. Jorge Ramirez submitted a written report with no action items.

Community Outreach. Wade Earp submitted a written report on behalf of the entire team.

Convention. Mark Samuel gave a verbal update. After the February 8th planning meeting, all meeting space necessary for convention had been secured. Ed LaPointe, a CCGRA member who has past experience in event planning, was appointed as the convention chair.

Matt Komornik (ASGRA) and Alec Masse (ARGRA) were selected to run the convention office and audio/visual equipment, respectively. Mark also reported that they are working on the information necessary for those people who have had past difficulties in crossing the border.

Larry Lindstrom passed out a sheet titled *Thinking of Toronto?* which emphasized updating passports, transportation into the city for under \$3, and hotel amenities.

J Field presented the final budget for Annual Convention 2008. This has been attached to the end of the minutes.

Brian Helander announced that host cities for the 2010 and 2011 conventions would be selected at this year’s convention in Toronto.

Archives. Patrick Terry submitted a written report. He will start work on the “Gay Rodeo Legacy” with the Gene Autry Museum in Montana. He will be going through the IGRA archives in March and moving these archives to a storage unit sharing the monthly cost with CGRA.

Merchandising. Patrick Terry submitted a written report and reported little merchandise left from Finals Rodeo and that Elizabeth Anderson had sold \$525 worth at the recent Road Runner Regional Rodeo in Phoenix. Patrick suggested that 10% of the sales in Phoenix go to AGRA and that 10% of the sales in Las Vegas go to University.

Larry Lindstrom moved “Any association that gives IGRA free space that we (IGRA) give back 10% of the net profit to that association.” The motion passed by a voice vote after debate.

Corporate Sponsors. C.J. Chopping would have a package ready on WGRF by the end of the week. Brian Helander reported that C.J. would handle all sponsorships under \$5,000 and the Executive Committee would handle sponsorships of \$5,000 and greater.

Dance. Ernie Bowers reminded everyone of the dance competition on Saturday, February 21st from 8 pm until midnight. He thanked the 2009 IGRA Royalty Team for helping out and stated that we have a \$500 liquor minimum to meet in order to receive a free dance floor.

Judges. Jorge Ramirez submitted a written report with no action items.

A 15–minute break was taken at 11:00 am.

Marketing. Shaun Sewell verbally highlighted the following items that he is working on:

- Re–doing the IGRA promotional video,
- Re–writing the LOGO ad using the tagline “Amateur Rodeo, Professional Competition,”
- Conducting surveys for marketing seminars with only 14 returned,
- Fielding inquiries from film and television producers, and
- Working with the Cleveland Synergy Foundation.

Membership. Larry Lindstrom submitted a written report. He also reported that he had received a last–minute update from a group in Alabama who have recruited 5 members thus far. He also stated that GGRA needs to submit a formal letter of dissolution, according to the bylaws.

Nominating. Justin Waldner submitted a “no report.”

Rodeo Resources–University. Brian Rogers submitted a written report and announced that a record number of students (120) have signed up for University, which surpasses the previous number of 100. He also thanked the Board of Directors for again having their quarterly meeting at University. Staff members would meet at 3 pm with the first classes beginning at 4 pm.

Administrative Assistant. Tommy Channel presented the point system for this year’s insurance policy. After removing GGRA, each point equals \$308.15 – where each association would be assessed 1 point and each rodeo 1 point. Linda Frazier moved to approve the point system and the amounts associated with. The motion passed by a voice vote. Tom Shipp from *Kaliff Insurance* would be conducting a seminar on insurance on Saturday morning beginning at 9 am.

Old Business.

University 2010. Brian Rogers stated that NGRA's offer to host University 2010 stands. The Tuscany can offer similar room rates even though it will be a holiday weekend in 2010. A new hotel, the Cannery East near Horseman's Park, can offer \$50–80 room rates.

Linda Frazier moved to host University in Las Vegas in 2010. The motion was ruled out of order because of the end date in the existing RFP (Request for Proposal). So the host city for University would be decided at the board meeting in Philadelphia.

Ron Trusley moved to instruct the Secretary to send a notice to associations that proposals must be received by March 31st and the Executive Committee be empowered to make a decision on University 2010. During debate, Linda Frazier called the question. The motion passed by a voice vote. Mary Arbuckle called for a hand count and the tally was 16–7 in favor of the motion.

Finals Rodeo 2009. Chairman Roger Courtemanche reported on the progress in Albuquerque and that Rodeo Director Bob Pimentel has 4 hotels bidding due to the current economy, although only two are major players. Rodeo officials are being notified. Roger also asked associations to step up and help sponsor Finals Rodeo. The lowest level an association can sponsor at is \$250.

A 10–minute break was taken at 12:05 pm.

Finals Rodeo 2010. Brian Rogers gave a PowerPoint presentation to host the World Gay Rodeo Finals 2010 in Laughlin, Nevada – specifically at the Avi Resort & Casino and the Mojave Crossing Event Center across the Colorado River in Arizona. Literature on both sites was passed out to all board members. The final decision would be made by the Executive Committee.

A working lunch was served at 12:45 pm.

During lunch, the *Cleveland Synergy Foundation* spoke on how they plan to add the sport of rodeo to their bid for the 2014 Gay Games. Every four years, the games alternate between North America and Europe. Cleveland's competition is Boston, Miami, and Washington, DC. It was noted that 46% of the U.S. population lives within a 5–hour drive of Cleveland.

Budget. Brian Rogers moved to approve the budget presented by David Hill. The motion passed by a voice vote.

President's Report. Brian Helander reported that GLADD would like to be a national sponsor and provide \$10,000 worth of services. Subaru had high interest and was willing to commit to \$15,000 in cash, but pulled their offer at the last minute due to the current economy. Beer and spirit sponsors are still being pursued. Brian is also working on the WGRF trademark.

Rodeo Officials' Shirts. Brian Helander reported that the feeling among certified officials is that we have one exclusive vendor and this may lead to higher prices. Tommy Channel volunteered to work on this project if Patrick Terry would assist him.

New Business.

J Field moved that “Beginning with the January 2010 IGRA BOD meeting, bids to host IGRA University for the following year will be presented, voted on, and awarded at the first IGRA BOD meeting of the year.” The motion passed by a voice vote.

Bill Chapman moved to “Publish the rodeo roll call to the IGRA Web site secure area as soon as practical following the close of rodeo registration.” The motion passed by a voice vote.

Announcements.

TGRA would see everyone next Friday for the Cowtown Rodeo in Fort Worth.

GSGRA welcomed everyone to the next board meeting in Palm Springs on May 1st and added that lunch would be served.

KGRA has finished their quilt and turned it over to the Royalty Team with the winner to be announced at Finals Rodeo in Albuquerque.

NSGRA is hosting a play day on the Fourth of July instead of their usual rodeo.

DSRA announced they will not have Bareback Bronc Riding at their upcoming rodeo.

ASGRA announced they would not be present at the NYC Expo the weekend of March 21–22.

HGRA regretfully announced the cancellation of their 2009 rodeo.

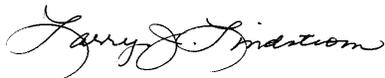
ARGRA reported that after 15 years they are moving to a new facility in Strathmore, Alberta, the weekend of June 26–28.

SMRA announced they are hosting a past IGRA Royalty fundraiser on Easter weekend.

LSGRA announced their 3rd Angola State Prison Rodeo excursion for \$60.

SCCGRA reminded everyone that their rodeo moved to the weekend of June 5–7.

Upon no further business to be conducted, the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 pm.



Larry Lindstrom, IGRA Secretary

Larry Lindstrom

From: "pierreyc" <pierre.cadieux@shaw.ca>
To: <IGRABOD@yahogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 11, 2009 5:51 PM
Subject: [IGRABOD] Alternate Trustee for ARGRA - Las Vegas BOD Meeting & Trustee's meeting

Hello everyone,

As many of you already know, I will not be able to attend the Board of Directors, and Trustee's meetings in Las Vegas. I have asked Ray Ostmann (Division 3 Chairman) to Chair the Board of Trustees meeting and the EPRB meeting.

Rob Somers of ARGRA will act as Alternate Trustee for ARGRA during the Board meeting and Trustee's meeting.

Thank you and Travel Safe

Pierre Cadieux
IGRA Trustee Chairman 2009

Larry Lindstrom

From: "Matthew Komornik" <mkomornik@hotmail.com>
To: "Larry Lindstrom" <larry.lindstrom@igra.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 18, 2009 10:24 PM

Larry,

Due to some unforeseen circumstances at work, I will not be able to attend the board meeting. Jon will be taking my place for ASGRA. Can you sent him all the reports and minutes. Send them to jonathan110@verizon.com. Thank you

Matt Komornik
ASGRA Trustee

Larry Lindstrom

From: "Peter" <jeeps2rodeos@sympatico.ca>
To: <IGRABOD@yahogroups.com>
Cc: "Mark Samuel" <horseguy2000@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 27, 2009 10:52 AM
Subject: Re: [IGRABOD] IGRA University & IGRA Dance Competition - JUST 4 DAYS LEFT

Hello; please note for the next IGRA board meeting Mark Samuel will be the acting Trustee for **CCGRA** in Las Vegas Friday February 20, 2009, 10:00 am.

thank you,
Peter Dillon

Larry Lindstrom

From: "Jacky" <cowboybear99@yahoo.com>
To: <IGRABOD@yahogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 27, 2009 7:26 PM
Subject: [IGRABOD] Board/Trustee meeting and IGRA University

Due to scheduling and financial concerns (outta time and broke!), I will not be able to attend the Board/Trustee meeting and IGRA University.....DANGIT!!

Dusty West will be alternate trustee for DSRA. If there are any questions or concerns, you may contact me at 501-960-7353 or you can contact Dusty at 501-590-6775

Hope everyone has a great weekend at IGRA University!!

Bearhugs

Jacky Green
Trustee
Diamond State Rodeo Association



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The following Trustees and guests were present.

AGRA	Ron Trusley	President	Brian Helander
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Brian Rogers moved to approve the minutes as listed on the agenda. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Rodeo Variance Approval. Ernie Bowers reported that LGRA has changed the location of their arena from New Jersey to the Shriner's arena in Montgomery County just outside of Philadelphia. The size of this arena is 100 x 160, which is 15 feet shorter than required. LGRA is requesting a variance for this arena. Brian Roger moved to approve the variance. The motion passed by a voice vote.

Certification Requests. Jorge Ramirez reported that the Arena Director's committee is recommending that Dee Zuspahn be certified as an Arena Director for 2009. Brian Rogers moved to certify Dee and the motion passed by a voice vote.

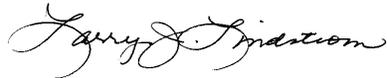
Jorge Ramirez reported that the Judge's committee has 4-5 people qualified to be recertified for 2010, but will first develop an objective instrument to review judges that includes performance.

Rodeo Review Issues. Bill Chapman brought up the subject of a blind contestant, Rodney Shaw, who has competed in Goat Dressing and Calf Roping on Foot and now wants to compete in Steer Riding and Chute Dogging in Palm Springs.

Being a Chute Coordinator, David Hallwood feels this contestant is not safe to compete in these events. David said he did okay in the recent rodeo school in Phoenix, but only under very controlled circumstances.

John Beck moved that we send a certified letter, quoting the ADA, to the contestant disallowing him from competing in rough stock events. The motion passed by a voice vote after debate.

Upon no further business to be conducted, the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Larry Lindstrom".

Larry Lindstrom, IGRA Secretary



Report Overview:

- o The 2009 Royalty Team has raised \$1,405.
- o Trisha Davis has met her fundraising minimum requirement.
- o Funds have been dispersed to chosen charities.
- o Complimentary rooms are tremendously appreciated by the Team.
- o Plans for the Royalty Competition in Toronto are progressing nicely.
- o The "Miss IGRA Chuckwagon Tour" begins in Nashville.

Royalty

The royalty team has collectively raised \$1,405 to date. Three of the nine team members have submitted fundraising monies. Trisha Davis has completed her fundraising minimum.

Over \$11,000 has been dispersed to charity from past royalty funds.

- o Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation \$3,216.50 and \$5,404.85
- o Susan G. Komen Foundation \$2,701.85

An on-going fundraiser begins this weekend. Thanks to KGRA for donating an IGRA quilt for the team to use as a raffle! The winner will be announced at Finals in Albuquerque.

Complimentary Rooms

Sometimes associations are unable to provide complimentary accommodations for the IGRA Royalty...for various reasons. Although this is NOT a requirement, it certainly does have a financial impact on each team member.

Please urge your associations to provide or find accommodations for the team members who will be coming to and supporting your events. Accommodations do not necessarily need to be at the rodeo host hotel. This may be a good project for your Association Royalty, Imperial Court friends, or generous members.

The 2009 IGRA Royalty Team will continue to make every effort to attend your events, rodeos and otherwise.

Royalty Competition in Toronto

I traveled to Toronto in February to meet with the Convention/Royalty Competition planning committee. After touring the hotel and venues in Toronto, I am pleased with the progress that has already been made in planning for the 2010 Royalty Competition in November 2009. Toronto's planning shows a deep commitment to integrity of both of these IGRA events.

Miss IGRA Chuckwagon Tour

Former Miss IGRAs will be starting their Chuckwagon Tour this April in Nashville. Our focus will be to help non-rodeo-producing associations raise money and bring awareness to their associations within their communities. The tour will continue with several dates per year. This is what happens when Janet Jenkins and Mandy Barbarell drink at the Wrangler in Denver.

Respectfully Submitted,
Andrew Goodman
IGRA Vice President

Board of Directors Meeting
February 20, 2009
Secretary's Report

I would like to welcome the following people to the IGRA Board of Directors:

- Matt Komornik, ASGRA, replacing Mike Benner,
- John Beck, CGRA, replacing Roger Courtemanche,
- Jacky Green, DSRA, replacing T.J. Lavelle,
- Jim Mitchell, FGRA, replacing Barry Luke,
- Dave Elliott, HGRA, replacing Dan Johnson,
- Marcel Pajuelo-Schwartz, HSRA, replacing Brian Chew,
- Carl Stange, NSGRA, replacing Jack Roach, and
- Justin James, SMRA, replacing Barry Roberts.

Since we have many new people to the Board of Directors, please submit your alternates to the entire IGRABOD group for rodeos and board meetings throughout the year and send current membership lists to the Administrative Assistant and me.

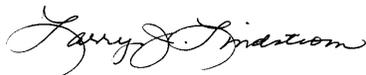
At each rodeo, assign one person to collect the following information and get back to me:

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

The 2009 rodeo rulebook is out. I would like to again thank Russell Bleakney, who took my Word document and converted it to a format that a professional printer could use. He increased the font from 8 point to 10 point for all of our "mature" contestants and officials. This also increased the number of pages.

I used a new printer in Boulder this year. Almost any printer can "print" the rulebook, but it takes a special company to bind the books, which is called a "perfect binding." This new printer did not move as fast as I would have hoped and having 2 holidays in the middle of the week did not help, either. However, the book was printed on an offset press, which gives a much sharper image than a simple photocopy, which is what I'm sure OfficeMax did for us in the past.

I look forward to working with all of you for another year.



Larry Lindstrom
IGRA Secretary



COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: Arena Directors

Committee Chair(s): Jorge Ramirez, Ron Trusley

Committee Members: Russell Bleakney, Jeanne McLeod, Brian Helander

Date & Time of Last Meeting: Continuous over email

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: _____

Discussed recertifications process, and specific recertifications

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

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

Recommend Dee Zuspan for recertification.

No report at this time

Respectfully submitted, Jorge Ramirez 15 Feb 2009

Income	Jan - Dec 08	Budget	\$ Over Budget	Explanation > 10%
4110 · Rodeo sanction fees	\$ 11,400.00	\$ 11,400.00	\$ -	
4120 · Rodeo additional seat tax	2,774.50	3,200.00	(425.50)	No seat tax in last part of year
4130 · Rodeo general operating income	6,186.00	5,400.00	786.00	Contestant registration more than budgeted
4140 · Rodeo fines income	900.00	900.00	-	
4150 · Finals Rodeo	112,438.48	126,000.00	(13,561.52)	Reported separately
4200 · Initiation fees/annual dues	16,800.00	16,800.00	-	
4300 · Mr/Ms/Miss entry fees	1,400.00	1,500.00	(100.00)	Mr \$600/Ms \$200/Miss \$500/MsTer \$100
4310 · Mr/Ms/Miss fund raisers	3,591.50	6,000.00	(2,408.50)	Mr's \$2,306/Miss \$1,286
4320 · Mr/Ms/Miss cont fund raisers	7,821.12	6,400.00	1,421.12	Mr \$3452 Ms \$591 Miss \$4822 MsTer \$1562
4400 · Contributions	15,200.00	25,000.00	(9,800.00)	Transfer less than budgeted
4470 · IGRA University income	14,051.64	4,450.00	9,601.64	Sponsorships above budgeted
4500 · Contestant mailing income	4,393.36	3,000.00	1,393.36	Matches expense
4600 · Interest income	542.37	800.00	(257.63)	Interest rate/balances lower than budgeted
4700 · Merchandise commission	506.21	300.00	206.21	YTB Travel \$441 Melaleuca \$23 Cut \$42
4750 · Avis commission income	-	50.00	(50.00)	Nothing to date
4800 · Miscellaneous income	0.02	-	0.02	
Total Income	\$ 198,005.20	\$ 211,200.00	\$ (13,194.80)	
Expense				
6500 · Office supplies	\$ 1,378.93	\$ 1,400.00	\$ (21.07)	
6510 · Telephone expense	1,641.59	1,500.00	141.59	Pres LD \$925/AA LD \$716
6520 · Postage	2,587.00	2,300.00	287.00	Parcel post rate increase
6530 · Printing	5,153.21	5,100.00	53.21	
6560 · Payroll expenses	10,294.20	10,600.00	(305.80)	
7500 · Document scanning fee	133.35	600.00	(466.65)	No extra scanning required
7530 · Committee meeting expense	617.43	1,000.00	(382.57)	Sec \$100 Judge's \$517
7540 · Dance competition	1,172.60	2,000.00	(827.40)	Fewer judges than budgeted
7550 · Royalty competition	5,330.45	5,000.00	330.45	10 year buckles not sponsored
7560 · M/M/M/M winnings	1,300.01	1,300.00	0.01	
7600 · Travel	6,524.20	6,000.00	524.20	
7650 · Executive meeting expense	7,500.00	7,750.00	(250.00)	
7750 · Computer-hardware	1,101.52	2,500.00	(1,398.48)	Only one computer purchased
7760 · Computer-software	811.65	3,000.00	(2,188.35)	Rodeo program not updated
7770 · Computer-maintenance	301.17	500.00	(198.83)	Only printer repairs
7780 · Computer-on line services	1,991.65	1,750.00	241.65	Network Solutions \$300
8150 · Finals Rodeo expense	111,813.70	115,000.00	(3,186.30)	Reported separately
8200 · Marketing expense	3,183.34	5,000.00	(1,816.66)	NO \$1200/NYC Expo \$900/IGLTA \$ 493/Photo \$
8471 · IGRA University facility costs	1,600.50	2,100.00	(499.50)	All Tuscany Suites
8472 · IGRA University food service	5,389.04	2,000.00	3,389.04	Luncheon \$3,365
8473 · IGRA University instructor rooms	2,250.00	1,100.00	1,150.00	15 honorariums @ \$150
8473 · IGRA University supplies/printing	2,258.35	750.00	1,508.35	Web site \$250/badges \$1,796
8470 · IGRA University expense total	\$ 11,497.89	\$ 5,950.00	\$ 5,547.89	
8500 · Donations and contributions	2,954.74	6,000.00	(3,045.26)	Jakino \$156 MMMM \$2,799
8510 · Legal and professional services	386.76	1,150.00	(763.24)	Broadcast Music Inc \$387
8520 · Taxes and licenses	3,615.00	4,000.00	(385.00)	IRS \$2,754/CO \$851
8530 · Bank charges	120.94	100.00	20.94	Finals cash \$76
8535 · Credit card charges	(44.26)	800.00	(844.26)	Monthly chgs \$6,363/on-line struct \$(6,407)
8540 · Contestant mailing expense	4,393.35	3,000.00	1,393.35	Matches revenue
8545 · Sponsorship development	4,000.00	500.00	3,500.00	Rubenstrunk/DLR33 Consulting \$4,000
8550 · Association/rodeo insurance	492.62	10,000.00	(9,507.38)	Univ \$164/IGRA \$329
8900 · Convention registration fees	640.00	1,000.00	(360.00)	Only 8 registered
8950 · Convention int'l awards	1,264.66	1,400.00	(135.34)	
8955 · Convention expense	5,385.00	5,000.00	385.00	HOF buckles \$385
9510 · Miscellaneous expense	-	-	-	
9510 · Bad debt expense	55.06	-	55.06	Finals merch AMEX/Visa declines
Total Expense	\$ 197,597.76	\$ 211,200.00	\$ (13,602.24)	
Net Income	\$ 407.44	\$ -	\$ 407.44	

Larry Lindstrom

From: "Benjamin Avant" <benjamin@benjaminavant.com>
To: "Lindstrom Larry" <larry.lindstrom@igra.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 12, 2009 9:03 PM
Subject: Reports

Hi, Larry. I have nothing to report for Bylaws. Thanks!

Benjamin Avant

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COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: Chute Coordinators

Committee Chair(s): Jorge Ramirez, Ron Trusley

Committee Members: Heather Murray , David Hallwood, Brian Helander

Date & Time of Last Meeting: Continuous over email

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: _____

Discussed progress of students in program

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, Jorge Ramirez 15 Feb 2009



COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: Royalty

Committee Chair(s): Aspen Vail, Wade Earp, Sharon Starks, Rocket Cox, Andrew Goodman

Committee Members: 2009 Royalty Team

Date & Time of Last Meeting: Will meet at University for 1st time

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: Brief since Crowning at Convention. The 2009 Royalty Team is very excited to be 9 strong this year. We have big plans for the year and see an increase for the next Royalty Team. Since we arrived home from Convention the team has done extensive coverage representing IGRA. For the first time in IGRA history we have the new MsTer IGRA Rocket Cox(Jamie Light). To summarize what the team has done. We have represented IGRA By helping local charities and charities abroad by helping with their fund raising events. Such events include Live and Silent Auctions, Concession stands, Valentine's dances& bachelor Auctions, participated with Court systems across the US with Coronations, crownings, turn abouts, Balls etc..... We have helped with fund raising in several of the IGRA Associations rodeo fund raisers. There seems to be a new excitement across the country about IGRA and their associations. We feel that we have a small part in this with our noticeable presence in the community and abroad representing IGRA to it's fullest. The majority of the team was in Phoenix for the Road Runner Rodeo. We had a blast and helped them raise money in their entertainment venue. We will travel to many of the upcoming rodeos like Cowtown, Sunshine Stampede, Little Rock, Palm Springs to mention a few. We are really excited about University and the first Board Meeting. Looking forward to another great year in IGRA Rodeos and fund raising efforts.

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



Respectfully submitted, Wade Earp Mr IGRA 2009

Larry Lindstrom

From: "Christopher J. Chopping" <cjfusion@gmail.com>
To: "Larry Lindstrom" <larry.lindstrom@igra.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 14, 2009 11:09 AM
Subject: Re: [IGRACHAIRS] Call for Reports

Hi Larry,

No report here (Corporate Sponsors). I'll have one after IGRA-U next week.

Christopher J. Chopping



COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: Finals Rodeo 2009

Committee Chair(s): Roger Courtemanche

Committee Members: Finals Team

Date & Time of Last Meeting: IGRA U Feb 19 2009

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: Will have a report for board meeting

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

 We will have things to talk about.

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

 We will have things to talk about.

No report at this time

Respectfully submitted, Roger Courtemanche

Income	Jan - Dec 08	Budget	\$ Over Budget	Explanation > 10%
4152 · Ad sales	\$ 2,525.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 525.00	Sales more than budgeted
4154 · Buckle sponsorship	5,775.00	12,500.00	(6,725.00)	Budget based on higher package prices
4156 · Chute sponsorship	3,250.00	2,500.00	750.00	Sales more than budgeted
4158 · International sponsorship	11,300.00	20,000.00	(8,700.00)	Anheuser-Busch \$10,000/auction \$1,300
4160 · Arena fund	16,000.00	16,000.00	-	
4162 · Gate sales	13,705.00	17,000.00	(3,295.00)	Gate less than budgeted
4164 · Contestant entry fees	49,180.00	50,000.00	(820.00)	
4166 · Entertainment	4,150.00	3,000.00	1,150.00	Income better than budgeted
4168 · Camping	680.00	1,000.00	(320.00)	Camping less than budgeted
4170 · Merchandise sales	3,568.48	1,000.00	2,568.48	Sales exceeded budget
4171 · Parking income	390.00	-	390.00	Not budgeted
4172 · Vendor sales	500.00	1,000.00	(500.00)	Fewer vendors than expected
4174 · Travel fund	765.00	-	765.00	Matches expense
4175 · Stall income	650.00	-	650.00	Not budgeted
Total Income	\$ 112,438.48	\$ 126,000.00	\$ (13,561.52)	
Expense				
8152 · Advertising	\$ 9,608.23	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 608.23	
8154 · Ambulance	1,218.75	1,800.00	(581.25)	Fewer hours than projected
8156 · Arena rental	6,962.00	11,000.00	(4,038.00)	Split into camping, parking and stalls
8158 · Award buckles	3,690.50	8,000.00	(4,309.50)	Split ribbons separately & no saddles, etc
8159 · Award ribbons	632.69	-	632.69	As invoiced
8160 · Camping expense	630.00	800.00	(170.00)	As invoiced
8162 · Contestant payout	49,230.00	50,000.00	(770.00)	
8164 · Entertainment expense	9,032.97	3,000.00	6,032.97	Talent \$4,713/equip \$2,881/room \$1,439
8166 · Equipment & supplies	2,608.47	4,000.00	(1,391.53)	Entertainment equip above
8168 · Equipment rentals	398.12	600.00	(201.88)	Radio's \$297/podium \$101
8170 · Insurance	328.86	500.00	(171.14)	Actual less than budgeted
8172 · Merchandise expense	2,862.50	1,000.00	1,862.50	In relation to income
8174 · Official's travel	5,627.86	7,000.00	(1,372.14)	Shopped for cheap fares
8175 · Parking expense	390.00	-	390.00	As invoiced
8176 · Poster expense	317.18	200.00	117.18	Additional poster printing
8178 · Program expense	3,878.42	3,800.00	78.42	
8180 · Security	1,795.51	3,000.00	(1,204.49)	Fewer hours and better rate
8182 · Stock contractor	8,215.00	9,000.00	(785.00)	Contract \$8,000/feed \$215
8183 · Stall expense	2,670.00	-	2,670.00	As invoiced
8184 · Volunteers	201.64	1,500.00	(1,298.36)	Hoodies/lunch
8185 · Travel fund	765.00	-	765.00	Matches income
8186 · Veterinarian	750.00	800.00	(50.00)	Reduced invoice
8188 · Miscellaneous	-	-	-	
Total Expense	\$ 111,813.70	\$ 115,000.00	\$ (3,186.30)	
Net Income	\$ 624.78	\$ 11,000.00	\$ (10,375.22)	



COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: Judges

Committee Chair(s): Jorge Ramirez, Ron Trusley

Committee Members: Brian Helander

Date & Time of Last Meeting: Continuous over email

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: _____

Discussed progress of students in program, and certification/recertification process

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, Jorge Ramirez 15 Feb 2009



COMMITTEE REPORTING FORM

Committee Name: Membership

Committee Chair(s): Larry Lindstrom

Committee Members: _____

Date & Time of Last Meeting: Friday, October 31, 2008 in New Orleans.

Brief Overview of Last Meeting: Received an e-mail to the IGRABOD group from GGRA that they were dissolving, but have not received an official letter, as per the IGRA Bylaws.

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, Larry Lindstrom

Larry Lindstrom

From: "Don Harris" <donauldgharris@gmail.com>
To: <IGRABOD@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 29, 2009 3:16 PM
Subject: [IGRABOD] GGRA Votes to Dissolve Association

As Trustee of GGRA I am passing the following information along to the IGRA Board of Directors. I will keep you informed as to the legal status of our association.

*Don Harris
GGRA Trustee*

January 29, 2009

Dear everyone in the GGRA community,

This past weekend we had the General Membership Meeting of the Georgia Gay Rodeo Association (GGRA) in which we considered the organization's viability. After significant discussion, the membership voted to begin the process of disbanding GGRA. Since GGRA is a non-profit corporation subject to federal laws and the laws of Georgia, this process will take several months.

As part of the process, we will be liquidating all of GGRA's physical assets. Once all the different parts of the process are virtually complete, we will shut down mail service, the phones/voicemail system, the GGRA website, and we will close this Yahoo group. We will give you warning before we shut down the Yahoo group in case you want to get in touch with one another one last time. Also, if anyone wants to start any new gay rodeo fan Yahoo group for the Georgia region to succeed this one, you are welcome to do so.

Once GGRA is officially dissolved, the membership voted to donate whatever funds remain as follows: (1) one-third to PALS (Pets Are Loving Support); (2) one-third to Grady IDP Pediatrics Wing; and (3) one-third to IGRA Charities.

We regret that it has come to the point where we must disband GGRA. However, after struggling through several attempts to revive GGRA over the past few years and then not even being able to recruit a satisfactory number of Board members for 2009, the writing was simply on the wall for us. Luckily, everyone who loves gay rodeo still has other options.

Please keep supporting IGRA and its various regional groups! Everyone is encouraged to join one of our sister southeast IGRA organizations such as FGRA in Florida or SMRA in Tennessee. We also have heard that folks in Alabama are trying to launch a new IGRA group based there as well.

We will keep you informed about how the process is going.

Thanks,

Brad Bruner
President, GGRA

Larry Lindstrom

From: "Patrick A. Terry" <patrick.terry@att.net>
To: <larry.lindstrom@igra.com>
Sent: Friday, February 13, 2009 9:42 AM
Subject: Committee Report

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Patrick A. Terry (patrick.terry@att.net) on Friday, February 13, 2009 at 09:42:36

email: patrick.terry@att.net

Committee Name: Merchandise

Committee Chairs: Patrick A. Terry

Committee Members: Ron Trusley, Mary Munger, Claire Miller, Mitch Gill

Date time of last meeting: Convention

Overview of last meeting: Talk about what we are planning to do with merchandise and selling it at events and online. Got ideas on what items to carry.

Critical Importance:

Requiring Action:

Further Reports: We kicked off sales of Finals Rodeo Merchandise at Finals Rodeo in Denver and had a huge success with it. Then we took the rest of the finals merchandise to Convention and sold almost all of it there. Then in January we launched IGRA Merchandise at the RRRR in Phoenix, with what was left from the Finals Merchandise, and had great success with it, selling \$525 of merchandise. Brian Helander contacted a gentleman that is going to work on creating the online store and hope to have some results on it soon. Brian Helander can speak more about this project.

Larry Lindstrom

From: "Justin Waldner" <jameswall77@yahoo.com>
To: "Larry Lindstrom" <larry.lindstrom@igra.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 12, 2009 6:43 PM
Subject: Re: [IGRACHAIRS] Call for Reports

No Elections Report

Justin

"Do unto others as you would have them do unto you!"



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, _____

2009 IGRA UNIVERSITY WORKING BUDGET

UNIVERSITY INCOME

Registration Fees	96 at \$60	\$ 5,760.00
Registration Fees	12 AT \$75	\$ 900.00
Registration Fees	Dance Classes 20 @ \$5	\$ 100.00
Room Sales Comm.	10% Room Sales Commission (100 room nights)	\$ 1,200.00
Scholarship Funds	Wayne Jakino Scholarship	\$ 250.00
Sponsorships	Various (see Detail)	\$ 4,350.00
University Funding	From IGRA Budget	\$ 1,000.00
		\$ 13,560.00

UNIVERSITY EXPENSES

Awards	Badges & Ladders (7.75% sales tax added here)	\$ (1,079.12)
Awards	Certificates and Diplomas	\$ (33.45)
Banner Hanging	Sponsor Banner Hotel Hanging Fee	\$ (25.00)
Food & Beverage	Luncheon for 125 @ \$28.04 (includes staff + tip)	\$ (3,785.40)
Food & Beverage	Coffee & Soda Service	\$ (2,000.00)
Meeting Space	(6 classrooms plus Office - 3 days)	\$ (2,000.00)
A/V	Podium & microphone for Luncheon	\$ (44.71)
Office Equipment	Office Supplies & Ink	\$ (200.00)
Staff Travel Stipends	University Staff - 17 @ \$100 (less donations)	\$ (1,200.00)
Wayne J. Scholarship	Trisha Davis (\$250)	\$ (250.00)
Total Expenses		\$ (10,617.68)

University Excess Revenue: \$ 2,942.32

CASH SPONSORS	
Cowboy Frank	
HSRA	University Badges and Ladders
GSGRA	
SSCGRA	
CGRA	
SMRA	
GSGRA-GSDC	
Mark Larsen	

University Student Full-Color Badge \$8.50 each x 79	\$ 671.50
Badge Ladders \$7.50 each x 44	\$ 330.00
<i>See Badge Order for complete details</i>	\$ 1,001.50

Fixed Cost Per IGRA-U Student: \$ 47.00

Badge with one ladder, Certificate, Luncheon, Welcome Bag

DANCE

Income

IGRA	Dance Budget	\$ 2,000.00
Registration Fees	Competition Fees	\$ 775.00
Sponsorship	One Buckle Set	\$ 220.00
		\$ 2,995.00

Expense

A/V	Dual-CD, Wireless Microphone & Speaker System	\$ (500.00)
Awards & Ribbons	Various	\$ (250.00)
Bartender Fee	Waived if Beverage Sales Over \$500	\$ -
Buckles		\$ (898.00)
Dance Floor	Set-up Fee	\$ (107.75)
Marketing	Flyers & Postcards	\$ (90.35)
Judge/Teacher Stipend	5 at \$150	\$ (750.00)
Meeting Space Fee	One Night Rental Fee	\$ (100.00)
		\$ (2,696.10)

Dance Excess Revenue: \$ 298.90

Larry Lindstrom

From: "Patrick A. Terry" <patrick.terry@att.net>
To: <larry.lindstrom@igra.com>
Sent: Friday, February 13, 2009 9:55 AM
Subject: Committee Report

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Patrick A. Terry (patrick.terry@att.net) on Friday, February 13, 2009 at 09:55:29

email: patrick.terry@att.net

Committee Name: Archives

Committee Chairs: Patrick A. Terry

Committee Members: None, other than different people helping me look for stuff occasionally.

Date time of last meeting: N/A

Overview of last meeting:

Critical Importance:

Requiring Action: I am going to begin working with a guy who is working with the Autrey Museum, to Consider "A Gay Rodeo Installation on Gay Rodeo Legacy." We will be going through the archives and pulling key items for the project. Brian Helander can speak a little more about the project.

Further Reports:

