

IGRA Board Meeting May 24, 2019
Denton, Texas

Meeting called to order at 09:05 AM by Candy Pratt, IGRA President at Denton, TX Candy welcomed new trustee David Hartwell from GPRA.

Michael Norman took roll call of associations present at the meeting and confirmed a quorum is present for the meeting.

Motion by Chuck Browning to table approving Feb Board of Directors minutes. Seconded by Mary Honeycutt. Motion failed Michael. Norman read the minutes from the Feb meeting. Motion back Jack Morgan to approve the minutes seconded by Randy Edlin. Motion passed

David Hill presented the Treasurer report. David read the accounts receivable currently outstanding. Motion to approve made by Jeffrey Neal and seconded by Sammy Simpkin. Motion passed.

Executive Reports

Candy Pratt spoke briefly about supporting our rodeos. She will be attending most of the rodeos this year.

Mary Honeycutt spoke briefly as VP 5 Royalty team members have met financial fund raising requirements. They must have those requirements by end of June.

Michael Norman spoke briefly. The rule books were picked up in April by David & Tommy. Rule books were at the Little Rock and Palm Springs rodeo. Tommy will be mailing rule books out to the officials and associations. There were a number of challenges this year but things are back on track.

David Hill covered his items in the Treasurer's report earlier.

Brian Helander, Chair of Trustees said he had nothing to report today.

Committee Reports

Tommy provided a brief report

David Hill read the Corporate Report provided by Ed Barry

Brian Helander spoke briefly on the Public Relation items.

Michael Norman read the ROC report sent in from Bruce Roby.

Ad Hoc reports

Roger Bergmann presented Archives report. He also spoke about the "wish list" he is making an update and will get the list posted on the IGRA website

Michael Norman read the Hall of Fame report provided by Amy Griffin

Michael Norman read the Health & Safety report from Alexis Cole

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Christopher Redden spoke on the progress about the Rodeo Management System (RMS) which we have engaged for our upgrade to our rodeo contestant registration and rode event processing. We continue to work with the RMS system in parallel to our current rode even processing we have done for so many years.

Jeffrey Neal spoke about IGRA University. Reno has contacted us about bringing rodeo back to Reno such as possibly Finals. Brian Helander and Jeffrey Neal will reach back out to Reno to see if there are possibilities for us having University in Reno in 2020.

Sammy Simpkin provided the WGRF Committee report.

- The committee continues to work on getting a stock contractor to present for approval
- 2 Assistant Rodeo directors resigned for personal reasons – Charles Hancock and Corey Blair
- The WGRF Committee requests Mipsy Mikels as an assistant rodeo director, Michael Norman seconded and motion passed.
- Sponsorships are being doing a little different. Smaller sponsorships are being obtained instead large dollar sponsorships. Corona has agreed to do \$2,000; Breakthrough Beverage is also expected to come onboard as a sponsor.
- Sammy presented the list of recommended WGRF Officials. (List is attached). There was discussion about how the officials are selected. Concerns were raised that some officials are never selected and that there is a perception by some that it is a popularity contest.
- WGRF has not discussed any of the assistant rodeo officials yet.
- Nominations for Grand Marshall has been extended to June 6th

Old Business

Mary Honeycutt provided update on IGRA and WGRF trade mark refresh. The filing has to be done by next month. Mary said this should be completed next month.

IGRA Fundraising producers – this will be followed up on off-line and updates brought back to the BOD

FYI – KC rodeo for Labor Day weekend has been cancelled. The site does not have the necessary permits for events. MGRA made the decision to go ahead and cancel for this year and plan for next year.

Michael Lents spoke about the refilling of our IRS returns. David Hill filled the extension request. This should be completed very soon. The numbers won't change but how they are categorized will help support our 501(C3) status.

New Business

RJ Mikels made a motion to approve the AGRA 2020 Rodeo application with the one variance for arena size. Mary Honeycutt seconded. Extensive discussion took place about the arena dirt conditions and the safety of the arena for horse contestants. The rodeo application needs to guarantee the dirt conditions be improved as the contestant liaison explained to RJ. This is a continued safety concern. After extended discussion Mary motioned to postpone consideration of this application to the Denver board meeting first week of July. Sammy Simpkin seconded and motion passed

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Brian Helander spoke about inquiry from Reno for rodeo. SLC has also reached out to Brian about hosting rodeo as well. TV station in Toronto has made inquiries about hosting IGRA events.

Michael Lentz made motion to approve ASGRA Rodeo School request for Aug 10 in Waterford Work, NJ seconded by David Hill. Motion passed. Michael Lentz sent the Rodeo School request to Michael Norman who will send it out to the rest of the BOD.

Jack Morgan made motion to allow MGRA to use the IGRA logo for fundraising. MGRA will need to provide signed contract and IGRA would receive 10% of gross sales.

Candy Pratt recognized each association present for any announcements from each association.

EPRB meeting will convene after a short break. Meeting was adjourned at 12:33 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Norman,
IGRA Secretary