

**APPROVED
MIGRA
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
FEBRUARY 10, 2008
Diamond Jim's Saloon
19650 W. Warren, Detroit, MI**

The President called the meeting to order at 2:31 PM

It was verified that a quorum was present. Membership is now at 41 members.

Motion to approve the agenda by Mike; seconded by Leroy. Motion carried.

Motion to accept the minutes as submitted by Valetta; Brian seconded. Motion carried.

REPORTS

President

Mel reported that we are growing. He asked Valetta to report on the 501c)(3) situation. She said she has everything completed and included a power of attorney.

We received a letter from Mike in Pakistan requesting information about MIGRA. **Maria, who speaks Russian, is to reply.**

Vice President

Leroy reported that we held the Royalty contest. We have raised \$1800 toward our \$15K goal. Royalty has been approached about making appearances at different functions. Appeared at AIDS benefit entitled "The Beautiful Benefit" and going to "Mr. Leather Chicago" in April. Anyone is able to do fundraising as long as long as they consult with the Board first.

Secretary

Juli thanked Mel for taking the January meeting minutes. She reported that the website is updated with a Rodeo schedule and a Calendar of Events.

Treasurer

Mike reported that the total deposits were \$1211. Expenses were \$308.44 Balance on hand is \$1882.56. Checks have all been authorized via check request or verbal authorization. by Mike.

Motion by Juli' seconded by Mel that "Any check exceeding \$50 must be approved by the Executive Board; \$50 and below is to be approved by any individual member of the executive Board. **Motion carried.**

Discussion held regarding payment of rooms for Convention and University. Ways to notify general membership were also discussed.

Motion "to have MIGRA pay up to \$400 towards room charges at Las Vegas University.: Motion made by Mike; seconded by Mel. **Motion carried.**

Unfinished Business

- ⇒ Discussion held regarding Feb. 23rd Royalty competition. MsTer MIGRA must be a MIGRA member.
- ⇒ The next meeting will be held at The Hayloft.
- ⇒ Bar Nights: Feb 23, Mar 8, Mar 15, Mar 29

⇒ **Motion** that the winner of the MsTer and Miss raise their \$250 within a 90 day period after being crowned. Motion made by Leroy; seconded by Brian. **Motion carried.**

⇒ Saddle Raffle

Saddle has been donated for a raffle. A letter will be sent to Elk Creek Saddlery thanking them for the donation. Mel will have tickets printed. Tickets will sell for \$5 and MIGRA will have a printing of 500 tickets.

⇒ Rodeo 2009

We need to start looking for a rodeo director The Director has to be ratified by the Board of Trustees Looking at grounds for the rodeo site as well. We are trying to find a site with a covered pavilion. We will check out State Fairgrounds and Wayne County Fairgrounds.

Mike will write a letter of proposal to GM regarding sponsorship of the 2009 rodeo. We will also contact Bud Light, Absolut, Pucker and ID Lube for sponsorship.

NEW BUSINESS

Pride Festivals

Applications for Motor City and Lansing Prides need to be filed. The Motor City Bears will co-sponsor a booth for \$125. Application deadline is March 1st. We will try to have a booth near a place where line dancing can be done in the street. The *Motor City Pride Committee* is talking about having two beer tents. Application for Lansing Pride (Sat. June 28th) Lansing application fee is \$135 including electricity for a 10 x 10 booth. Application fee for Motor City Pride is \$125. Motor City Pride (June 1st)

Wall-to-Wall Fur

MIGRA has been requested to make an appearance at Wall to wall Fur (March 7th-9th). Attend on March 7th.

Information on Organization

Don handed out information and explained the structure of the organization.

MIGRA Newsletter

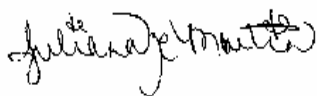
Mike said that a newsletter will be sent out bi-monthly to the members. The newsletter will be going out on March 2nd via email or snail mail.

Summer Campout

MIGRA Royalty will sponsor it. Camp will be free at Pleasant Lake. Attendees will pay for their own food and drinks. Goal is to have a lot of fun, give back to the membership and bring on new members. July 26th.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Juliana E. Martin
Secretary