

APPROVED
MIGRA
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
~~APRIL 8~~ **MARCH 8**, 2009
Hayloft Saloon
8070 Greenfield Road, Detroit, MI

Mel announced that the General Membership meeting would follow a very short Board of Directors meeting.

The President called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 2:16 PM. Present: Mel Enness, Juli Martin, Floyd Zwiers, Robert Gramze Absent: Leroy Aune.

The purpose of the meeting is to ratify Eric Swafford as Dance and Entertainment Committee Chair. The vote was: 4 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions.

The meeting was closed.

The General Membership meeting was called to order at 2:20 PM. 8 members of 44 present. 1 guest. Leroy Aune and Rayann West absent.

No written agenda presented. Don announced that a memorial was held last week for Doug Robbins, the New Mexico Treasurer. Who was murdered. Letter of condolence to the NM association needs to be sent as well as to the IGRA Yahoo group.

REPORTS

President

Mel announced that Leroy is absent because he has a new job and is working odd hours. Rayann called to say that she is unable to make the meeting as she has to take her father to the hospital.

Mel found out who made MIGRA pins. They will cost about \$2 each from a company out of Jacksonville, FL. Not able to order any at this time as the money is not in the budget.

Vice President

Absent

Secretary

Juli stated that the Royalty picture pages were under construction. She also said that her health had taken a turn for the worse in the last two months, but that is okay now. However, if her health continues to be an issue she may have to resign.

Treasurer

Floyd said that there was \$573.71 in the bank per the last statement. There is \$55 and \$25 to deposit; bringing the total to \$653.71 total. Insurance invoice is \$302.66, down slightly since GA closed. After paying the bill, the final acct balance is \$351.05.

IGRA Trustee

David Hallwood reported to Mel that IGRA Finals 2010 will be held in Laughlin, NV. Date to be announced. Mel also reported that last Monday he ordered flowers and balloons to be sent to David for his 50th birthday.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- April 3 to 5 Sunshine Stampede in Ft Lauderdale, FL
- Diamond State is April 17 to 19 in Little Rock, AR Eric may DJ at that event.

Bar Nights

Need to schedule more bar nights so they can be printed in the newsletter. Rip Cord's Warehouse is closed down now. Eric needs an emailed list of currently scheduled bar nights. Email to: cowboydiscjockey@aol.com. Hayloft bar nights are usually the 1st or 2nd Sat of the month and none are held in June or December due to Pride and holidays. Discussion held regarding advertising in the newsletter and planning events out 3 months or so in advance. Discussion held regarding advertising at Prides, too.

Pride Festivals

Heard from Michigan **Motor City** Pride (Detroit) – deadline in April and costs \$125 for a booth with electricity.

Still in need of sponsorships. Finding them will be difficult due to the economy.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 2008 MIGRA 1st Runner Up - Trustees requested the details in writing. Mel presented the letter given to the Trustees. Letter read from Shelby Lynn regarding the Trustees decision regarding the issue. He will keep his title as he met the requirements as 1st Runner Up. The matter is closed

The meeting was abruptly adjourned.

Respectfully submitted



Juliana E. Martin
Secretary