

Court of the Great Northwest Imperial Empire, Inc.

April 26, 2016

Meeting Minutes

President's comments: Stay together, no fighting. I will need help, we are family, we need each other, we need all ideas, past and present.

Appointments to the Board:

Dennis Seguin, aka Haley Ricardo: Fairy Godfather's Fund

Garett Reid: LaKish Hayworth Memorial Educational Fund

Imperial Report: Empress Taryn challenged the Board of Directors to match the fundraising totals of the Monarch's. She stated that Coronation and Ducal Ball are put on by the Board, the Monarch's should be raising money for charity. There are other expenses that are Board responsibilities also such as insurance and fees for some events. Investitures is set for Sunday, May 22, 2016, at Sidetrax, doors at 2:00pm, no fee, as she stated people being asked to take a title should not need to be charged to get into this event.

The first event is Gay Skate Night, Tuesday, May 17, 2016 at Bradshaw Skating, it is \$15.00, includes admission and skates. The goal is to sell 300 tickets. There will be presale tickets. Estimates revenue: \$2,000.00.

The goal of the Emperor and Empress is do to larger events, not a show to just do a show.

Taryn proposed the Board appoint a Regent Grand Duchess as Grace has resigned. Tammy asked if David Marlow could be appointed as a second Grand Duke, Taryn said it would not be a good idea. Garett asked if the Miss Gay should step up. Michael Johnston explained the history of the process of replacing a Monarch or Crowned Head when one resigns, passes away or is removed. Tammy proposed Grand Duchess 35 Dimeuneek, whom accepted the request. The Board voted: 10 Yes, 1 Abstention.

Sacramento Pride: The Monarch's would not be able to be on the float as Taryn is the emcee for the entire event and Jeo will be representing CGNIE at New Mexico's Coronation. There will also be no booth as many Board and Court members would be occupied.

San Francisco Pride: Nothing has been done at this time, Jeo will look into to seeing if we can still be considered for one of the groups to help on the gates. Jason Huff-Cook stated that during the 41st & 42nd the responsibility was given to the Ducal House.

The first Court Meeting of the 43rd Reign was announced for May 3, 2016, 6:00 pm at Sidetrax.

Dennis Seguin asked if the Board members were being asked to host shows? The answer was no, they should be trying to obtain sponsorships, grants, etc.

Ducal Report: Tammy asked that Patrick Vath be allowed to make a presentation for Ducal Ball. Patrick gave a summary about using the Red Lion, the total food and beverage guarantee would be \$2500, if that would be met there would be no charge for the room. If it is not met then the difference would be required. The main ball room with full stage would be able to seat 170-180 people. The dates available would be August 12-14, 2016. Tammy state a \$300 donation fo cover the first 30 people to Victory Brunch to keep the cost for that to \$20 or \$21 per person. Terry made the motion to sign the contract to have Ducal Ball at the Red Lion, seconded by Dennis. The vote was unanimous. Dennis also suggested the possibility of a multi-year contract for Coronation and Ducal Ball.

Fireworks Booth: Motion by Tammy for David Marlow to be the Director of the booth, seconded by Ronnie. Vote: 11-yes, 0-no,

2-abstentions. There will be two fireworks booths this year, one in the location which is traditionally used, the parking lot between Mango's and the Kennedy Gallery. The other one in the Sprouts parking lot near the Sacramento Zoo.

The budget for Ducal was tabled until the next Board Meeting on May 31, 2016.

New Business: Jason suggested having a flyer designed explaining CGNIE, who we are and what we do.

Tony stated we need to communicate better with each other whether it be via e-mail, texting, phone calls or in person. Facebook should not be the main way of communication. Terry stated to be sure that posts on Facebook be positive, nothing negative should be posted. All agreed with that.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 pm by unanimous consent.

Submitted by Tony Southworth, Emperor 36, Secretary of the Board.