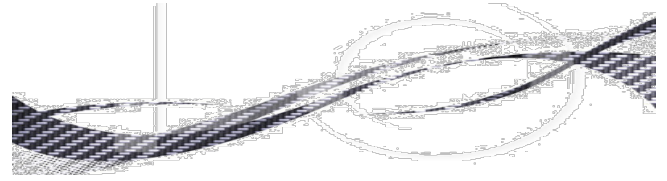


MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

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Board Meeting Minutes – April 28, 2015

6:26PM at Kennedy Gallery, 1931 L Street, Sacramento CA

Board Members Present: Emperor 13/37 Terry Sidie (President), Emperor 38/40 Michael Kennedy (Vice President), Emperor 39 Clarmundo Sullivan (Secretary), Emperor Tony Southworth (Acting Treasurer), Empress 38 Key Pears (La Kish Hayworth Director), Emperor 40 Gerald Filice, Emperor 41 Matt Bunch, Empress 41 Do Me Moore, Grand Duke 35 Corey Hubert, Grand Duchess 35 Dime-u-Neek St. James, Empress 39 Alejandro Munguia Parra, Grand Duchess 25 Robert Collins

Board Members Absent (Excused): Empress 41 Kristara Chastain, Laurie Bonifield,

Board Members Absent (Unexcused): Grand Duke 34 Enrique Manjarrez, Empress 41 Kristara Chastain

Guests: Miss Gay Kristen St. James, Empress 22 Shondra, Empress Deneka, April Raine Rockefeller, Grand Duchess Harmony, Emperor Santos Rosales, Palma Ashley St. James, Ms. Gay Rodeo Gary Silvey, ICP Ronnie Miranda, David Marlo, Tammy Marlo, Jace Wiley St. James,

I. Meeting was called to order by Clarmundo Sullivan

II. Roll Call was called by 6:30PM. Quorum was established with ten board members present

III. **Remarks from the President:**

A. **Year in Review:** Emperor Terry distributed a document that provides an overview of the past year. He said we have come so far and are doing so well. This year we had five candidates who behaved themselves for the most part like ladies and gentlemen. This organization is on a rebound. He chose to appoint Hailey Ricardo as this year's Fireworks Director.

B. **Secretarial Recognition:** He said he going to receive a beautiful plaque from himself and the board naming Emperor Clarmundo "The Best Secretary of CGNIE." .

IV. **Secretary's Report**

A. **Minutes:** Emperor Clarmundo shared he sent of the meeting minutes several weeks ago with a request to email him with any edits or corrections a week before the meeting to avoid wasting time during the board meeting. He did get a few responses and were reflected in the minutes presenting tonight. Emperor Matt motioned to accept the meeting minutes. Empress Michael second. Motion carried.

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V. Investitures

A. Emperor 42 Santos shared Investitures will be May 31 at Mangos from 11pm to 2pm. Afterwards everyone is invited to go to Faces to witness the reigning E&Es getting in the pool. He passed around flyers for the event. The theme is “Grease is the word.” People are welcome to buy brunch. If anyone is interested in performing, please let him know. He distributed a “Profit and Loss Statement for Coronation.” He said we had a \$4,000 coronation budget but spent \$8,657. They E&E were a little over budget. Emperor Matt clarified that the budget for the whole coronation weekend was \$8,000. This will make you \$4,100 profit once all of the income came in. He asked Hailey to review the document for accuracy. He shared that the budget wasn’t correct because we don’t have all of the revenue in. For example, Empress Kristara still needs to submit the \$2,000 AARP sponsorship. Emperor Gerald shared that because we had a last minute coronation venue switch due to the hotel’s fault, we may have some claims we may have to recover. Emperor Terry said we may be able to obtain our \$300 deposit back. According to Rich Jones, gross coronation ad sales are \$3,125. We have only \$2,365 collected. Emperor Terry shared we needed to collect the remaining balance of \$760. Emperor Terry shared that there were two ads (Portland and Larry Macey) that were paid via credit card so we have to subtract \$150 from the \$760. We also needed to collect \$400 from Grand Duke Enrique for an event he sponsored and the \$2,000 AARP sponsorship. Emperor Terry shared that he has received good feedback on coronation. The Queen Mother sent him a note that said she heard our coronation was wonderful. Emperor Tony shared that the Red Lion would like us back for future events. He has gotten a proposal from Sarah. The proposal wants a food and beverage guarantee of \$7,000. Emperor Terry said that wouldn’t work. Emperor Terry said this year’s brunch cost more than what was expected. Emperor Matt shared the old venue was only charging us \$11 a person but the new venue increased the cost to \$22.

V. Treasurer’s Report

A. **Financial Report:** Emperor Terry distributed a sheet sharing the balances in our CGNIE accounts. He asked Empress Key if she felt the balance was accurate. She shared she wasn’t sure who donated the \$287 in the account. Emperor Matt shared that the E&E transferred the money to the account from the TurnAbout show. Emperor Terry said that assuming we have a \$4,000 profit and all of the outstanding revenue is received for this year’s reign, he asked which charities the E&Es were going to give it to. Emperor Matt and Empress DoMe deliberated in private to identify which charities they were giving the profit to. They shared that they would like to divide the \$4000 three ways: 1/3 to LaKish, 1/3 to Momma Sandy Toy Drive, and 1/3 to the American Cancer Society. Emperor Terry reiterated that once all of the money was collected, they checks would be distributed. Emperor Terry called for a vote to approve the disbursement. It passed. Emperor Terry shared that there was \$500 available in their reigning E&Es travel fund.

B. **Unclaimed Charity Disbursements:** Emperor Terry shared that whatever anyone thought they raised that he didn’t get a check disbursement, please let him know right away. Grand Duke Corey shared that Grand Duchess Dime-u-neek would like to get her check disbursement to Mustard Seed. Miss Gay asked if the Night of Elegance disbursement was given. Emperor Terry confirmed that monies were distributed. Emperor Terry said by law, we are supposed to distribute all monies raised for charity. He shared we had \$19,900 which was raised and needs to be distributed. Emperor Gerald shared the 40th reign never distributed all of the money they raised for their charities. Emperor Terry said they distributed quite a bit and plenty of reimbursements.

C. **Rainbow Festival:** Emperor Terry shared that the Rainbow Festival needed seed money. The Rainbow Festival gave \$40,000 to the Jose Sarria Scholarship last year. That would only leave us with \$7,000. Emperor Matt motioned to put \$5,000 into the Rainbow Festival account as seed money. It was second by Grand Duke Corey. Empress Michael asked if the proposed \$5,000 that was left into the account from previous reigns. If we were not able to give it out, we should at least acknowledge reigns 38, 39 and 40 for their contributions since we were never able to give out money to our charities. That would make the monarchs from those reigns happy. Emperor Terry wanted it noted he didn’t witness the handling of the finances during those reigns. He

also noted that once he was appointed President, he made sure all of the outstanding bills from the previous reigns were paid. He said if the 38, 39 and 40th reigns wanted to donate their monies to the Jose Sarria Scholarship Fund, he would be okay with that. Emperor Clarmundo said that reigns 38, 39 and 40 worked the whole year to raise monies for charities. Therefore, just like reign 41 is able to make charity disbursements, so should the previous reigns. However, because of some situations that took place, they weren't able to. He shared those reigns made commitments to their charities and when they were not able to honor their word, it made the organization look bad. He asked that Emperor Terry consider amending his motion to say that reigns 38, 39 and 40, will be allowed to make check disbursement to their charities from the monies left into the CGNIE account from previous years to repair the relationships with their charities. Emperor Terry said he would not amend. He said his next motion would cover that. Emperor Terry called the question. Empress Misha made a point of order that the monies that they raised was in the account during reigns 38 and 40 but were told they couldn't allocate it. The board and Ball Coordinators during the 39th reign told he and Key that they were not allowed to give out their allocations during their coronation but during Gay Pride. During the 40th reign was told to wait as well. Empress Deneka shared that as their Ball Coordinator and she said because at the time we were almost in the hole with coronation that year so they were told to wait. Hailey suggested that we should consider putting money into a CD to collect interest on it for future coronations. Emperor Terry called the questions. Nine board members said yes and three abstained. Motion carried. We now have \$10,000 left. He suggested we leave \$5000 in the bank for seed money.

D. Past Reigns Money Motion: Emperor Terry asked if anyone wanted to now make the motion to put the other \$5000 into reign 38, 39 and 40 he would entertain it. Emperor Tony asked if the \$5000 we approved as seed money for the Rainbow Festival would come back from this year's festival which would in turn be given to reigns 38, 39 and 40 to distribute. Emperor Terry said the \$5,000 was just approved as seed money that would always remain in that account. Emperor Terry we had another \$6,000 to distribute back to the community. Empress Deneka suggested that we give \$2000 for each past reign that weren't able to do check disbursement to their charities. Emperor Terry asked for a motion to allocate \$2000 for reigns 38, 38 and 40. Motion was made by Empress DoMe and second by Empress Jowana. Grand Duchess Robert Collins asked how much money would be left if we moved the motion. Emperor Terry said \$6,000 for reigns 38, 39 and 40 - \$5,000 for Rainbow Festival found would leave \$8,000 in the account. Emperor Clarmundo said there is a record of this discussion and will be in the minutes. He congratulated reigns 38, 39 and 40 for now being able to honor their charities that they worked so hard for. Emperor Terry shared these reigns also pulled other reigns out of the hole. Emperor Clarmundo wanted to clarify that the financial report was not approved because the report wasn't complete.

VI. Emperor Terry excused the 2014-2015 Board Members and adjourned the meeting.

VII. The Secretary of the board called the 2015 Board to Order

A. Emperor Clarmundo asked the current five voting members to come to the front of the room. He called Grand Duke Corey, Grand Duchess Dime-u-neek, Hailey Ricardo and Empress Key.

VII. The 2015-16 Board Seating pursuant the Sidie Codicil

A. Emperor Clarmundo asked Emperor Santos Rosales if he would like a seat on the board. He said yes. He distributed ballots and asked the current seated board to vote yes or no for Emperor Santos. Once all ballots were received, Emperor Clarmundo tabulated the ballots. **Emperor Santos** was congratulated and seated

B. Emperor Clarmundo asked Empress Harmony Envy is she would like a seat on the board. She said yes. He distributed ballots and asked the current seated board to vote yes or no for Empress Harmony. Once all ballots were received. , Emperor Clarmundo tabulated the ballots. **Emperor Harmony** was congratulated and seated.

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C. Emperor Clarmundo asked Emperor Terry if he would like a seat on the board. He distributed ballots and asked the current seated board to vote yes or no for Terry Sidie. Once all ballots were received, Emperor Clarmundo tabulated the ballots. **Emperor Terry** was congratulated and seated

D. Emperor Clarmundo asked Empress Michael Jones, as a past Board President, if he would like a seat on the board. He said yes. Once all ballots were received, **Emperor Clarmundo** tabulated the ballots. Empress Michael Jones was congratulated and seated.

E. Emperor Clarmundo asked Emperor Tony Southworth, as past Board President, if he would like a seat on the board. He said yes. Once all ballots were received, **Emperor Clarmundo** tabulated the ballots. Emperor Tony was congratulated and seated.

F. Emperor Clarmundo asked Empress Michael Kennedy, as past officer of the board (Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary), if he would like a seat on the board. He said yes. Emperor Clarmundo tabulated the ballots. **Empress Michael Kennedy** was congratulated and seated.

G. Emperor Clarmundo asked Emperor Gerald Filice, as past monarchs, if he would like a seat on the board. He said yes. Emperor Clarmundo tabulated the ballots. There was a tie for yes and no. Emperor Clarmundo, as Secretary, was asked to break the tie. **Emperor Gerald** was congratulated and seated.

H. Empress Michael Kennedy asked Emperor Clarmundo if he wanted to be seated on the board. He said yes. Once the ballots were received, Empress Misha tabulated the ballots. **Emperor Clarmundo** was congratulated and seated.

I. Emperor Clarmundo asked Empress Jowana if she would like a seat on the board. She said yes. Once the ballots were received, Emperor Clarmundo tabulated the ballots. **Empress Jowana** was congratulated and seated.

J. Emperor Clarmundo asked Deneka if she would like a seat on the board. She said yes. There was a question whether her suspension was removed. Emperor Gerald said she was not off of suspension until July 2015.

K. Emperor Clarmundo asked if Garret, as a Life Time Title Holder, if he would like a seat on the board. He said yes. Once the ballots were received, **Garret** was congratulated and seated.

L. Emperor Clarmundo asked if Palma she would like a seat on the board. She said yes. Once the ballots were received, **Palma** was congratulated and seated.

M. Emperor Clarmundo asked Ronnie if he would like a seat of the board. He said yes. Once the ballots were received, **Ronnie** was congratulated and seated.

VIII. The election of 2015-2016 of officers pursuant to the Sidie Codicil

A. Emperor Clarmundo announced he was accepting nominations for Vice President. Empress Michael Kennedy nominated Emperor Clarmundo. Emperor Clarmundo accepted the nomination. Empress Harmony nominated Terry. Emperor Terry declined the nomination. Emperor Gerald received a nomination. He declined the nomination. Emperor Santos nominated Empress Michael Jones. She accepted the nomination. Ballots were passed to current board members. **Empress Michael Jones was named Vice President.**

B. Emperor Clarmundo announced he was accepting nominations for Treasurer. Emperor Terry was nominated. He accepted. Empress Jowana was nominated. She declined. Ballots were passed to current board members. **Emperor Terry was named Treasurer.**

C. Emperor Clarmundo announced he was accepting nominations for Secretary. Empress Key nominated Emperor Clarmundo. Emperor Terry shared he makes the President's life so easy. Emperor Clarmundo declined. Empress Michael Kennedy was nominated Emperor Gerald. Emperor Terry nominated Hailey Ricardo. Hailey said yes. Ballots were passed to current board members. **Hailey was named Secretary.**

D. Emperor Clarmundo announced he was accepting nominations for President. Tony Southworth was nominated. He accepted the nomination. Emperor Terry nominated Empress Michael Kennedy. He accepted. Ballots were passed to current board members. **Empress Michael Kennedy was named President.**

IX. Remarks from the new President

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A. Empress Michael thanked the previous board for their services. He said we all appreciated the direction the last board took in recovering our funds and moving things forward. He challenged the board members to commit to hosting a \$500 fundraiser. This alone would raise approximately \$8,000. He encouraged us to strengthen the image of CGNIE and support each other. Emperor Terry asked the board to make him a life time Assistant to the Treasurer at will. Emperor Terry shared that despite his work schedule, he has been very helpful in assisting with collecting funds during our events.

X. Empress Deneka's Returning Her Number

A. Empress Deneka said that after careful consideration and a lot of thought by the continued disrespect she has experienced as Empress 34, she has decided to rescind title as Empress 34 of CGNIE and no longer wants to be recognized as such. She said she would be making a public announcement on the ICC about her reasons why. She said she is tired of being disrespected in a city where she has raised thousands of dollars for, over stuff that anyone has proof of. She will no longer support or walk with CGNIE. Emperor Terry shared he respected the board's decision about her suspension. He didn't agree when the board took her away from CGNIE. However, he noticed that her membership status was restored March 25, 2014 and could walk with her title upon paying her dues. Unfortunately, he noted that she has gotten in trouble since and say things in a rude way. He said he was sad to hear her say she wished us well but planned to go on the ICC and air dirty laundry. She said she felt she wasn't respected by the college of monarchs and so she is no longer participating in the college of monarch. Board members clarified that it wasn't the college of monarches decision to suspend her but a past board. Emperor Terry said no one disrespects her. Empress Michael Kennedy expressed how said he was to her of her decision.

B. Emperor Terry shared he was willing to take the new board and a guest to the Spaghetti Factory for our next board meeting and pay for it if we arrange it

Meeting adjourned at 8:05pm