

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

COURT OF THE GREAT NORTHWEST IMPERIAL EMPIRE (CGNIE)

Meeting Held Monday, September 25, 2017
At Sidetrax Sacramento, 2007 K Street, Sacramento, CA
Minutes Prepared by Gerald Filice, Emperor XL, Secretary

The meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by President Johnathan Cameron, who presided at the meeting. Of the total of 13 currently seated Board members, the following additional Board members attended: Treasurer Jake Bradley-Rowe, Secretary Gerald Filice, Rocky Citi, Brett Anderson, Garret Reid, Hillary Glueck-Pratali, Matt Theroux, Robert Collins (who arrived late) and Paul Crouch.

Absent were members Blake Holloway and Dennis Seguin, and Vice President Jeo Treto (all excused for work reasons).

President's Remarks

We should consider changing the Board meeting day again. Matt Theroux (who worked on Tuesday and for whom the meetings were changed to Mondays) is now not working Tuesday nights; but Jeo and Robert now both work Monday nights. The President stated he would send out an email thread to the Board members to arrive at a new day for the meetings.

The president urged Board members to avoid repetitious comments during debates.

Thanks to all for a great month. We have had a great response to our court's presentations at Coronations in the region.

Secretary Report:

The Minutes of the Regular Board meeting held on August 28, 2017, were presented.

MOTION:

On motion of Treasurer Jake, seconded by Paul Crouch, the Minutes of the meeting were unanimously approved.

Treasurer Report:

The Treasurer presented his written report. To summarize his comments, we are doing well and growing financially.

Jake had checked with our accountant, who has given us his opinion that so long as a donation to another organization is made when no member of that organization or employee thereof is a member of our Board, the donation may be given without conflict of interest. Accordingly, the Ducal House's desire to make a donation to Golden Rule Services would now be permitted, since no member or employee thereof is currently on the Board of CGNIE (Spade having left the Board following completion of his reign).

Related to the above, while Spade had represented that the printing of the Ducal Ball program was donated, in fact it was merely discounted by Floppy's printing, a company with which CGNIE has an ongoing relationship. Spade had paid a portion of the total from his own funds, but \$164 remains owing. Spade has been approached about this issue, without response.

MOTION:

Garett moved that we pay the Floppy's bill to preserve that relationship, and also continue to question Spade about it. Gerald seconded. It was approved unanimously.

Jake noted that Golden Rule Services owes CGNIE \$100 for an ad in the Ducal Ball program. He will discuss with Clarmundo of Golden Rule Services how this is to be handled.

MOTION:

Jake moved to disburse \$1,000 to Golden Rule Services, subject to determining the handling of the \$100 debt. Brett seconded. The motion passed.

Further remarks of the President:

Johnathan mentioned that he intended to have the first of the charity disbursements events in connection with Outword's Liquid Therapy mixer on November 10 at Badlands (he contemplates another at a later date). It should be promoted on CGNIE's social media. Full regalia is expected.

Monarchs' Court Report:

The monarchs have attended lots of Coronations. D.C. was fine, and we did the opening numbers for Alameda Imperial and San Francisco Ducal Courts.

At Rainbow Festival the Monarchs raised over \$600 from the gate proceeds for the gate they organized.

Similarly, \$500 was raised at Folsom Street Fair.

Other events were discussed. There will be a Gong Show September 30, a Bake Sale October 27, and a Monster Bash October 29.

The Portland Coronation is upcoming in October.

The Court earned \$577.50 from jello shots through Badlands, and the Board earned \$95.

Emperor Rocky will be a Command at the San Francisco Mr. and Miss Gay Pageant.

The application has been sent for us to host the Jose Honors Awards, and we await response. The president suggested shuttles to and from Turn Verein should be arranged.

3 M Report:

No report.

La Kish Scholarship Fund Report:

La Kish chair Garett reported.

There was a Sunday Fund-Day at the Bolt on September 10 which earned \$100. There will be one more Sunday Fund-Day for the scholarships.

Also, one of the gates at the Rainbow Festival was manned by the scholarship volunteers, resulting in proceeds for the scholarship.

The scholarship will be the beneficiary of Drag Queen Bingo on November 2.
Garett requested some volunteers in drag – Paul (who emcees the event) approved.

Garett may present invoices for expenses in connection with fundraising for the scholarship, which are paid from the scholarship's funds.

Fairy Godfathers Fund Report:

Chair Dennis Seguin was absent and thus there was no report. We were however informed that one application was pending.

Old Business:

A. Policies and Procedures Discussion: Jake provided a proposed nondiscrimination policy, derived from San Francisco's.

MOTION:

Jake moved to accept the Nondiscrimination Policy, seconded by Garett, and then it was tabled until the October Board meeting to give Board members the chance to read it.

B. The Court logo discussion was renewed. After lengthy discussion,

MOTION:

Gerald moved to appoint a committee of 3 to review logo development and options and present their recommendations to the Board at a future meeting. After being duly seconded, the motion was passed. The president appointed Garett, Hillary and Blake to the committee.

New Business:

We received a communication from Queen Mother Nicole regarding modifying the name of our scholarship program. After discussion,

MOTION:

Rocky moved to rename the general scholarship program (not the La Kish Scholarship, which would not be renamed), seconded by Jake. Scholarship chair Garett asked that the matter be tabled for further investigation.

Jake moved to table it, Gerald seconded, and the tabling passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.