

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

COURT OF THE GREAT NORTHWEST IMPERIAL EMPIRE (CGNIE)

Meeting Held Monday, November 27, 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 6:55 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: Vice President Jeo Treto, Treasurer Jake Bradley-Rowe, Secretary Gerald Filice, Rocky Citi, Brett Anderson, Garret Reid, and Paul Crouch.

Absent were members Blake Holloway, Robert Collins, Hillary Glueck-Pratali, and Matt Theroux (all excused for work or other obligations).

Robert and Matt arrived late and participated as indicated below.

President's Remarks

The President remarked that we had had an excellent Thanksgiving dinner and show 8 days previously, and congratulated the organization and the Monarchs.

He noted that he would likely call a special meeting in January to address the Coronation budget.

Secretary Report:

The Minutes of the Regular Board meeting held on October 30, 2017, were presented.

MOTION:

On motion of Jake, seconded by Paul, with the correction of "Monster" for "Monsta," the Minutes of the meeting were unanimously approved.

Treasurer Report:

The Treasurer presented his written report. To summarize his comments:

The Treasurer went over our current account status.

He is still waiting to receive our share of the gate proceeds from Sacramento Rainbow Festival, as well as Folsom Street Fair (San Francisco) and San Francisco Pride.

Because Golden Rule Services had lost our donation check, after deduction of reimbursement for fees we incurred, they will receive a new check for \$415.00.

Finally, the Board discussed that we should have a program in place to thank donors and confirm their donation for tax return purposes. The treasurer indicated he would undertake that.

Monarchs' Court Report:

The Monarchs reported. They request the help of the Board with their fundraising activities. The Board and its members will, of course, assist where they can.

Upcoming fundraising events include a Holiday Bake Sale (December 15); and another Chipotle fundraiser (where we receive a share of proceeds from persons dining at Chipotle on 19th Street on December 14 in the evening – Thank you Chipotle!). Additional events upcoming are World AIDS Day, the AIDS benefit in Reno, and the Red Ribbon fundraiser.

The Coronation budget will be addressed at a special meeting. The Secretary urged they provide more detail on the budget before the special meeting.

It was agreed the Special Meeting to discuss the Coronation Budget would be on January 8, 2017, at 7:00 p.m., at Sidetrax.

3 M Report

Paul Crouch, who is in charge of the 3M program, stated he was looking for contacts with other 3M programs in Portland, Fresno, and San Francisco. He is looking to have the pageant at the Clunie center in McKinley Park, or some other venue, on February 18. Paul, Empress Misha Rockefeller and Treasurer Jake are working on it.

Scholarships:

Chair Garrett reported:

Drag Queen Bingo raised a near record sum of \$2,100.00. Congratulations Garrett!

Donations of \$1,050.00 have been received and earmarked for the Larry Macy Memorial Scholarship.

Garrett will update the website and Facebook to reflect the two scholarships.

There is planned a hair "cut-a-thon" in early January to benefit the scholarships, at Hair Play on Alhambra.

The Annual Expose' will be March 31 at Faces (subject to confirmation with Terry Sidie).

Fairy Godfathers Fund Report:

The President reported:

The President had spoken to former Board member Dennis Seguin to elicit his opinion as to what should be done with the funds we had raised for the Fairy Godfathers Fund. Dennis proposed donating the money to Sunburst Projects under the 44th Reign. The Board discussed making the donation to other organizations as well. A decision wasn't reached as to the identity of the recipient organizations.

MOTION:

Jake moved to return the Fairy Godfathers name to Terry Sidie, and to donate the funds received to an entity or entities to be determined. Matt seconded. Robert had arrived and voted on the motion. Rocky had stepped out of the meeting. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Other Matters:

The flyers for the Jose Honors Award event had been prepared and submitted to Coco LaChine for approval.

Gerald apologized that he hadn't convened the grievance committee. He intended to have it done by the next regular Board meeting.

A group called "Embrace", an HIV group which meets at the LGBT Center, is asking for a \$700 donation to pay for its annual holiday dinner. Some discussion ensued regarding the absence of support from other community entities and the desire of the members for anonymity.

MOTION:

Secretary Gerald moved to donate the \$700.00 for the Embrace annual dinner, provided CGNIE receives recognition at the event. Treasurer Jake seconded. On a vote being taken, all voted in favor, except Jeo and Blake, who both abstained.

We discussed the Larry Macy Celebration of Life which we scheduled for December 12. The President will coordinate getting food and serving equipment for the event. All were encouraged to attend.

Meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.