

COURT OF THE GREAT NORTHWEST IMPERIAL EMPIRE (CGNIE)

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Held Tuesday, October 27, 2015  
At Kennedy Gallery, Sacramento, CA

Minutes Prepared by Gerald Filice, Emperor XL, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 6:29 p.m. by President MICHAEL KENNEDY. Board members attending were President Kennedy, Secretary Gerald Filice, Emperor 42 Santos Ashley St. James, Empress 42 Chris Brown (Harmony), Grand Duke 36 Tammy Marlow, David Marlow, Sr., Ronnie Miranda, and Garrett Reid.

Absent were the following directors: Vice President Michael Jones (excused), Treasurer Terry Sidie (excused), Grand Duchess 36 Grace Lawrence (excused), Clarmundo Sullivan (excused), Key Pears (excused), Alex Munguia (not excused), Palma Ashley St. James (not excused).

Visitors: ICP 40 and Court member of the 40<sup>th</sup> reign, Kyle Lundquist; Miss Gay Sacramento Kristinn (Jesse O'Reilly); and Michelle (friend of the Marlows).

President's Remarks:

The president announced with regret that Emperor Tony Southworth had resigned from the Board and from his position as Dean of the College of Monarchs, for personal reasons. We thank him for his service to CGNIE and hope for his swift return.

The president noted that Taryn Thru-U, the Vice Dean of the College of Monarchs, would now step up and become Dean. There is a meeting of the College scheduled for November 10, at which time the Monarchs will be reviewed, and possibly (at the discretion of the College) the Ducals. The Monarchs objected to the College reviewing the Ducals, however the president stated it would be up to the College.

The president discussed the trip to Portland for the Gala and the Coronation. He noted that Terry Sidie was able to present a check at the Gala for \$90,000 to the Jose Sarria Scholarship Fund. \$60,000 of that amount was raised by CGNIE. Congratulations and Bravo for a job well done!

Secretary Report:

The Secretary apologized for not having completed the Minutes of the last meeting. The president asked the secretary to get them out in a few days, and he agreed.

The secretary has not been able to complete the paperwork for the 501( c)(3) status, as he still had not received the necessary financial information.

The secretary suggested that a professional be hired to gather the documents and prepare the application. Emperor Santos so moved, and the secretary seconded. It was approved unanimously,

Miss Gay Kristinn offered that she know someone who prepares such applications, and would provide the name and contact information.

#### Treasurer Report:

There was no treasurer report as Terry was out of state due to his mother's illness. However, additional treasury-related matters were discussed.

It was observed that money needed to be raised for our operations and the Coronation.

#### Coronation Report:

No draft budget was presented.

Emperor Santos noted that a 501( c)(3) number was needed to get the nonprofit rate for hotels for the Coronation. The Monarchs continue to want all events to be at a single hotel. They are considering the Courtyard by Marriott by Cal Expo, and the Canterbury Inn.

Santos stated possible Ball coordinators were Taryn and Deneka.

The president stated that the E&E needed to meet with him before the Court meeting on Tuesday, November 3, to start Coronation planning. The president, Terry and Taryn can help.

The president also mentioned he would earmark some proceeds from his La Femme California Regional Pageant toward the Coronation (exact amount to be determined by Misha).

#### Fairy Godfathers Report:

As the chair, Clarmundo, was in San Diego at a conference, there was no report.

#### LaKish Scholarship Report:

As the chair, Key Pears, was absent, there was no report.

It was requested by Santos and Garret that Key be asked to develop a plan for the La

Kish Scholarship, with goals and procedures for fairly selecting scholarship recipients, otherwise the Board should consider asking Key to step aside from that position. The president agreed to ask Key for the plan.

Similar views were expressed in general about any committee chair – if you can't perform the needed functions of the position, you should step aside.

Report of the Court Imperial:

Santos reported. The E&E attended the Alameda Ducal Installments, and received an award. It was noted there was no ad placed in the Portland Coronation program. An ad has been submitted for the Modesto Coronation, but not yet paid for.

The Closet Ball (entitled "Transformations") is now to be November 7, with Robert Collins planning it. It is a Saturday, doors at 5:30, show at 6:00.

The president reminded everyone that all events require the completed and approved paperwork in advance.

The Thanksgiving Dinner and Show are scheduled for November 22 at Faces. The Ducals are in charge of getting the food together, and the E&E are in charge of the entertainment. The dinner is not a fundraiser, though the show can be. The president remarked that he could donate some items for a raffle or silent auction.

Ducal Report:

Grand Duke Tammy reported. February 14, 2016, would be the Red & White Ball. The Ducals worked the barbeque at Faces one Sunday, and made \$60.

3M report:

Miss Gay Kristinn reported. On October 30 she intended to do a bucket run to raise some funds for either WEAVE or the general fund, starting at 9:30 or 10:00 p.m.

November 21 will be the 3M Tribute Show. Monique Moore is to emcee. Santos suggested getting Miss Gay Latina involved.

The Holiday Show is December 13 at Sidetrax, and is Part 1 of the 3M pageant. Miss Gay said she had some potential candidates for the female roles.

Applications for 3M are to be published at the Closet Ball, to be held November 7.

The filing fee was discussed for 3M applicants. Harmony moved that the application fee be waived, Garret seconded, and upon a vote being taken, 5 were in favor, 3 abstained. Motion passed.

The contract requirements for 3M positions are to be reviewed, though no committee was formed for the purpose.

ICP 40 Kyle was encouraged to run for Mr. Gay.

Phase 2 of the 3M Pageant – the final – is set for January 9, 2016, at Faces.

Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.