

COURT OF THE GREAT NORTHWEST IMPERIAL EMPIRE (CGNIE)

BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Held Wednesday, December 9, 2015  
At Sacramento LGBT Center, Sacramento, CA

Minutes Prepared by Gerald Filice, Emperor XL, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Acting President Michael Jones. Board members attending were Acting President Jones, Treasurer Terry Sidie, Secretary Gerald Filice, Emperor 42 Santos Ashley St. James, Empress 42 Chris Brown (Harmony), Grand Duke 36 Tammy Marlow, David Marlow, Sr., Ronnie Miranda, Alex Munguia (Jowana), and Key Pears.

Absent were the following directors: Clarmundo Sullivan (excused), Grand Duchess 36 Grace Lawrence (excused), Garrett Reid (excused), Palma Ashley St. James (not excused).

Visitors: Jonathon Cameron (Taryn Thru-U), Dean of the College of Monarchs

Election of President:

Acting President Jones noted the resignation of President Michael Kennedy. Mr. Jones then stated that, reluctantly, he would agree to assume the position of President. A secret ballot was taken of all Board members present, and Mr. Jones was elected President. Congratulations!

Treasurer Report:

The Treasurer noted that there had been little money raised to be deposited during his absence. The Treasurer informed the Board of the amount in our accounts. The Secretary noted that the \$1,000 check to WellSpace Health, announced at Rainbow Festival, was still to be paid, and agreed to provide the relevant information to the Treasurer. Gerald moved to accept the Treasury Report, Santos seconded, and it was approved unanimously.

It was discussed that the Board had voted to hire a professional to complete the 501(c)(3) renewal process. However, the Treasurer asked for a delay in doing so until January 9, 2016, in order to give him time to put it together. It was agreed to do so, and if still undone on January 9, the Board would move ahead with hiring a professional. A motion was made to follow this procedure by Jowana, seconded by Ronnie, and approved unanimously.

### Coronation:

The Monarchs presented a preliminary budget for their Coronation. The In-Town Show would be at Sidetrax, the Out-of-Town Show at Faces, the Coronation at the Marriott on Exposition Blvd., Hospitality yet to be determined, and the Victory Brunch at Faces. A \$42 coronation ticket price was proposed. The President commented that it was a reasonable budget. \$3,000 was budgeted for the hotel ballroom. Jowana moved that this portion of the budget be approved, Ronnie seconded, and it was unanimously approved. The balance of the budget items will be considered at future meetings. It was requested by the Monarchs that funds earned at the December 20 food drive event, at the January 10 Turnabout, and the January 22 Closet Ball be earmarked for coronation expenses. The customary 70/30 rule was reiterated, to the effect that only 30% of the funds raised could be used for coronation or other administrative expenses.

### 3M Pageant:

Taryn will organize the pageant with Miss Gay Kristinn. Miss Gay also has reached out to Ms. Gay Mo'Nique who is not participating, and to Mr. Gay Stephan who may supply a letter for the program. Details of the pageant were discussed. Santos moved that there be a \$10 entry fee for contestants, seconded by Ronnie, and it was unanimously approved.

After an Executive Session to discuss the College of Monarchs' review of the Emperor and Empress, the meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.