

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

### COURT OF THE GREAT NORTHWEST IMPERIAL EMPIRE (CGNIE)

Meeting Held Monday, January 28, 2019

At Sidetrax, Sacramento, CA

Minutes Prepared by Gerald Filice, Emperor XL, Secretary

The meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order at 6:31 p.m. by President Johnathan Cameron, who presided at the meeting. Of the total of 12 currently seated Board members, the following additional Board members attended: Vice President Jeo Treto, Treasurer Jake Bradley-Rowe, Secretary Gerald Filice, Emperor Devon Musgrow, Robert Collins (Empress Jena Un Dunt), Paul Crouch, Enrique Manjarrez, Hillary Glueck-Pratali, Michael Kennedy, and Garrett Reid.

Absent was member Brett Anderson (excused).

We had a quorum.

#### President's Remarks

The President thanked everyone for their hard work. Positive things are being said about our Court by New York's Court luminaries, and we expect them to attend our Coronation. The President is contacting other Courts as well to secure their attendance. We are getting closer to once again being able to pay our administrative costs from funds raised by Board members and volunteers, so that the Monarchs' fundraising can go 100% to charity. This is an important accomplishment.

#### Secretary Report:

The Secretary did not present Minutes for approval.

#### Treasurer Report:

Treasurer Jake presented an extensive written report of the corporation's finances. We continue to do well financially – we are quite strong.

We have a new mailing address: P.O. Box 161441, Sacramento, CA 95816. This is at the Post Office on Alhambra.

The President raised the matter of expanding our storage space, since the unit was full. Doubling the space increases our expense from \$123 to \$135 per month.

#### MOTION:

Garrett moved, seconded by Jeo, to authorize the increase in storage space for the increased fee mentioned. The motion was approved unanimously.

#### Monarchs' Court Report:

Empress Jena (Robert) and Regent Emperor Devon Musgrow reported.

Regarding San Diego's Coronation and the grievance letter regarding QM Nicole who is based there, each Board and Court member is entitled to make his own decision whether to attend. There is no organized effort to boycott or otherwise dictate whether anyone should attend. Anyone wishing to attend is

encouraged to do so.

Coronation calendar:

3/12, Board of Review, Kennedy Gallery, Application turn in between 6-7, interviews 7:30

3/15, Candidate Announcement, Badlands

4/14, Voting at Kennedy Gallery, 1-7, at the Bolt 4-6.

4/19, Out of Town Show, Badlands, no cover

4/19, Late hospitality, host hotel, free

4/20, Hospitality, Faces, free

4/20, Coronation, Turn Verein, \$45 per person

4/20, Late hospitality, host hotel, free

4/21, Victory Brunch, Faces, \$15

4/21, Victory Party, Faces, free

There will be a Black History drag show. Details forthcoming.

We discussed planning for th LGBTQ Pageant. Theme is True Colors.

San Francisco Coronation is February 23-24. We hope to deliver a funerary wreath to Jose's grave.

On February 24 there will be a Jena and Racine's birthday show at Faces.

In March there will be a fundraiser at Cilantro's. Board members who haven't yet met their fundraising goals can participate in the event and raise money for their goals.

Coronation budget was presented and discussed:

April 19-21. The above pricing and venues were agreed to.

MOTION:

Enrique moved to accept the budget as presented, Garett seconded. Approved unanimously.

We may hold the in town show or event at the Bolt. TBD.

Host Hotel remodeling will be done early February, according to hotel (Holiday Inn Express on 16th).

#### Mr. and Miss Gay Sacramento Report

We discussed the planning of the Pageant, set for February 17 at Faces.

There was discussion about the expectations of the Mr./Miss/Ms. Gays regarding reporting to the Board.

MOTION:

Garett moved, Enrique seconded, a motion to require the Mr/Miss/Ms Gays to report in writing before each monthly Board meeting, and to attend personally one meeting per quarter (a written report is not required when they appear). Approved unanimously.

#### Scholarships

Chair Garrett reported.

There is a fifth Saturday in March when Garrett intends to hold an event.

#### Old Business

1. Stockton territory: Investigation shows that Stockton Court members are working hard to re-establish their Court. We hope they are successful. The matter is pended for future discussion as warranted.

2. We are having new State Crowns made by Thorin & Co. The cost is slightly more than previously authorized.

MOTION:

Gerald moved to authorize an increase in the expenditure for State Crowns by \$155, Jeo seconded. Unanimously approved.

3. Grievance letter discussed in closed session.

#### New Business

1. Investitures will be May 19, 2019

2. MOTION:

After discussion in closed session, the Board reaffirmed its prior decision to maintain the designation of persona non grata for Scott Selzam. Jake so moved, Enrique seconded, all voted in favor, except Robert, who abstained.

Meeting adjourned at 8:49.