



**Board & General Membership Meeting Minutes**  
**The Imperial Court of Arizona, Inc**

**Meeting Date:** May 18, 2014

**Minutes Prepared:** June 09, 2014

**Attendees:** Darrell, Michael G, Bill M, Tom B, Christopher S, Ray S, Kenneth A, Eric B, Sam G, Eddie G (Miss De Meanor), Jerry H, Steve M, Seajay M, Gary M, VanAllan N, James P, Kyle R, Robert S, Bill V, Cris C, Ron D, Michael B, John R, Mitchell S,

**Absentees:** Richie Black, Karen Bovard, Michael Brent, Mark Brower, Steven Chisson, Toby Craver, Greg De Rushia, Dusty Garner, Philip Gibson III, Allen Hall, Scott Haverstock, Kevin Hilzendger, Michael, Jacobs, Joseph La Graffe, Anthony Larson, Judy Marino, Dave McQueen, Jordan Musser, Heather Peoples, Laura Renfro, Jamie Saragosa, Ira Savely, Michell Set, Michael Tanner, Richard Van Stone, Ray Vela, Michael Weihn, Michael White, Brock Willyard, Robert P, Robert T, Allen W, CJ W

**Excused:** Bleu V, Craig R, Gregory S

**Guests:** Samuel T, Ethan B

- 
- ◆ **Call To Order:** 1:23 pm at The Rock (Community Center locked)
  - ◆ **Welcome – Recognition of Service to the Organization:**  
Welcome from Darrell to everyone. He recognized Tom and Vanilla for an outstanding Coronation IX and welcomed Bill Mitchell and Miss DeMeanor as Emperor and Empress IX.
  - ◆ **Review of Meeting Minutes from April 13, 2014:** No additions or corrections so these will be posted to the website
  - ◆ **Review of Financials:** Bill thanked everyone who had helped with the Treasury. Since now Emperor he will turn over Treasury to the newly elected Treasurer at the June Meeting.

◆ **Standing Committees:**

- a. Budget – Bill Mitchell – nothing at this time to report.
- b. College of Monarchs – Ray Shapiro has been voted in as Interim Dean until Investitures June 1st. The College met on Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at The Rock 1:00pm – Darrell as President of the Board has been invited to attend. We voted on new Dean to be announced at Investiture.
- c. Corporate Sponsorship – Michael Gaffney – Nothing at this time
- d. Grievance – Jerry Heitman - If you need someone to mediate, go to that person and discuss, if issue with Jerry go to him or President of the Board.
- e. By-Laws – Open – nothing to report
- f. Policies and Procedures – Open – See New Business
- g. Parliamentary Representative – Open at the moment see below in New Business.
- h. ICC Update – Michael Gaffney
  - Harvey Milk Ship Campaign – received letter from Tootsi in Alameda that we need letters written especially from Government officials. Send letters to Secretary of the Navy.
  - Bayard Rustin Stamp Campaign – need letters sent in to the Advisory Committee all can do this plus get officials to participate. Also have Bayard Rustin Lapel pins for sale at \$5.00 each
  - Hunger Program is a year long event.
  - ICC Raffle all year long drawing in February 2015 – tickets \$2.00 a piece see Michael for list of items.
- i. New Membership – Open - still open
- j. Public Relations – Multiple –
- k. Scholarship Fund – Michael Gaffney – Nothing at this time

◆ **New Business:**

- a. Call for nominations for:
  - i. Vice President 2 year term odd years – nominees thus far: Michael Gaffney (February meeting) and Allen White (March meeting)
  - ii. Treasurer 2 year term odd years – nominees thus far: Craig Van Deen (decline at March meeting) Chris Skalicky (both from February

- meeting **\*\*asked to be removed following meeting\*\***) and Kenneth Anthony (April meeting) (motion Kenneth 2<sup>nd</sup> Robert Schenberg)
- iii. Secretary complete this term: nominees Jim Pence (motion Ray, 2<sup>nd</sup> Kyle) & Seejay Moser (motion Chris 2<sup>nd</sup> Allen) – Both from April meeting
  - iv. At Large Board Position #1 – 2 year term – nominees thus far from February meeting: Allen W, Steve M & John (**removed**) . Add: Kyle Ross (motion Ray; 2<sup>nd</sup> Gary)
  - v. At Large Board Position #2 – 2 year term – nominees thus far from February meeting – Sam, Add: Cris Cringle (motion Ron; 2<sup>nd</sup> Ray)
  - vi. Parliament – Parliament Rep – Tom Bledsoe move to primary Alternate Rep – ??????????

**\*\*\*Paper Ballots will be done at next meeting\*\*\***

**b. Approval of revised Policies and Procedures:**

– Motion from Eric B to accept as written and make corrections as needed on website, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gary. Motion passed

**c. Closet Ball Expenditure Approval:**

- Motion by Ray to approve a \$1,500 budget for Closet Ball 2014, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gary. After much discussion the motion was passed. Included in the discussion was a meeting that Darrell and Michael had with Justin from Pride and Justin agreed to sponsor \$500.00 from Pride. Also it was brought up that the judges and the entertainers have been lined up. We could possibly already have 10 contestants.

**d. Additional New Business Brought forward**

- Approval of Investiture Budget: Ray motioned to approve a \$1,300 budget for Investitures, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill. After much discussion the motion was withdrawn.
- Motion to approve budget not to exceed \$1,100.00 by Ray 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chris. Passed

**◆ Old Business:**

- a. Coronation 2014 – Broke a record this year with time just under 3 ½ hours: Michael b
  - Eric B – It’s done
  - Bill M – Thank you LC. Tom and Vanilla you elevated the Coronation this year. Thank you for a wonderful event.

- Did not close out the books on Coronation, Tom B thought there were discrepancies in the numbers from the Hotel.

**b. Pride Gala Attendance – The following will be attending the Pride Gala at Fire Sky in Scottsdale on Saturday, June 07, 2014:**

- Ray
- Cris
- Gary M
- Darrell
- Judy M
- Dick A
- Craig V
- VanAllen

**c. Additional Old Business brought forward**

- Pride/One Voice Community Center – Need help moving the Community Center the weekend of June 13-15. Moving to a new location and need help and possible painting inside.
- Motion by Tom and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Michael B to give 1Voice Community Center \$2,500. Eric brought up the fact that 1Voice now has a paid staff member and in not volunteer. The motion was withdrawn until July meeting. Kyle R asked that we hold off before we spend money before the new Reign even begins. Tom B says that we need to be giving back to the community.

**d. Monarchs:**

- Bill – Thank you everyone for helping and for all you have done and continue to do. This Organization runs on membership and the College. He is waiting for June 1 and Investiture but asked our opinions on the Rainbows Festival; we made \$1,200 last year. Are we interested again working this year. Also would like to see us continue working with Pride and Paws for Patriots. Be active and help out you all will be leaned on.
- Miss DeMeanor – You are all ambassadors of the Court. She will focus more on the community.
- Coronation X – Theme: Sapphire & Diamond Ball

**◆ Upcoming ISEA Events:**

- Investiture – Saturday June 1<sup>st</sup> at the Rock. Doors at 5:00 pm and begins at 6:00 pm. \$5.00 suggested cover. Also remember to pay your dues by then. The theme is “Rising of the Phoenix”

◆ **Upcoming Coronations:**

- May – Salt Lake City: Tom, Bill and Michael & San Antonio: Lady Christian
- June 5-7, Albuquerque: Multiple attendees
- July 11-13, Nebraska: Bill, Michael and Julie
- 

◆ **Upcoming Community Events:**

- May 27 – MCC Phoenix holding fundraiser at Harley’s Bistro portion of the money is for Tumbleweed
- May 29 – Men Are Pigs at Bunkhouse
- June 14-15 – Bisbee Pride
- June 28-29 – Flagstaff Pride
- July: LC & Olivia first Sunday of the month Bruch at Harley’s Bistro (July 6<sup>th</sup>). \$25.00 mimosas and vodka/cran unlimited and Brunch. Portion of the money and tips will be given to a Charity.

◆ Julie and Michael thanked everyone who attended and support their 20<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary at Kobalt.

◆ Donald Smith sent Darrell a note, sorry for not having 1Voice doors open for meeting.

◆ **Adjournment** Motion by Bill M second by Chris

**Next Meeting June 15, 2014 Board at 1:00 Once Voice Community Center**

◆ **College/Board Meeting following for PR’s and Queen Mother:**

This meeting was called to approve PR’s and KF and QM from the Monarchs prior to Investiture on Sunday June 1<sup>st</sup>.

- Motion by Miss DeMeanor to name Vanilla as her Queen Mother – Passed
- Motion by Miss DeMeanor to name Princess Royale – withdrawn, will wait to name
- Motion by Bill Mitchell to name Steve Marino as Prince Royale – Passed

- Bill Mitchell – Will not name a King Father, will have a Privy Council made up of Past Emperors from the Legendary Firebird College of Monarchs.