

Imperial Court of All of Oklahoma, Inc.
Combined-Board of Directors/Membership Meeting Minutes
OkEq Wellness Center
Saturday, June 11, 2016

Meeting called to order by President Bobby at 3:02 pm

Agenda was distributed and those in attendance reviewed and made no additions.

President's Report (Bobby (aka Absolute Empress VIII, Chelsea): Bobby announced that two members had resigned their membership; Rusty Clyma and George McCausian. A lengthy discussion was held about using Social Media. It is the expectation that every member understand that it is unacceptable to use Social Media to air your displeasure with a member of ICAO or with the organization as a whole. Court Business should stay private. If you have a personal issue with something, it should be addressed with that person or by contacting a Monarch, Member of the Board, or the Member of Large. By posting negative items on Social Media, we hurt our charities, those people that our charities benefit. The Code of Conduct will be updated to include Social Media expectations of an ICAO member.

Vice-President's Report (Scott aka Empress III, VII Miranda): Scott provided an update on Pride. Those that attended had fun and ICAO was well represented. A thank you card will be sent to Gary Kent for the use of his car for our Monarchs.

Treasurer's Report (Trevor): Trevor provided the financial update for May. After the figures were discussed, it was determined that travel expenses for the Monarch's should not be deducted as an expense for the Court. Trevor will be bringing the bank statements and ledger to future meetings so that when expenses are discussed the data is available.

Operations Total \$1,877.30
Charities Total: \$591.00
Coronation Fund: \$3,000
Endowment Fund Total: \$7,297.09

Total monies raised in May \$866.
For Investitures \$700 was raised. \$525 went to Tulsa Cares and \$175 to Operations

Renegades Tip Jar \$66

Motion to accept the Treasurers report made by John Permantier (Dakota) and seconded by Joey Scudder-Barfield (Keri Jo Allan). Unanimous approval by Board.

Secretary's Report (Diane): Diane advised that she had sent an email out to all members to receive their choice of which emails they want to receive from the court. Diane will then create new distribution lists based on the responses. If they do not respond by June 15, 2016, Diane will only send ICAO related emails. A member can be added or removed from a distribution list at any time, by contacting Diane.

Several items required that the Board of Director review for approval between the May and June meetings. The items discussed and approved are as follows:

- a. Coronation Expense Reimbursement:
 - i. Request from Jason
 1. Reason for request: Reimbursement of Coronation expenses for Jason for the Phoenix Coronation.
 - a. Request approved by the majority of the Board.
- b. Coronation Expense Reimbursement:
 - i. Request from Joey (Keri Jo):
 1. Reason for request: Reimbursement of Coronation expenses for Keri Jo for the Phoenix Coronation.
 - a. Request approved by the majority of the Board.
- c. Nebraska Coronation Ad:
 - i. Request from Joey (Keri Jo)
 1. Reason for request: Needed approval to meet deadline for Nebraska Coronation Ad.
 - a. Request approved by majority of the Board.
- d. Reimbursement for payment of \$350 made to cover the GPRA belt buckle.:
 - i. Request from Diane
 1. Reason for request: Diane provided the funds to meet the GPRA deadline, this request was to reimburse her for that payment.
 - a. Request approved by majority of the Board.

Diane is working on two fund raising events which will be discussed further under New Business.

A motion to accept the Secretary Report was received from Scott (Miranda), 2nd by Trevor. Unanimous approval by the Board.

Dean of the College of Monarch's Report: Due to the resignation of Rusty Clyma there was no Dean of College of Monarch's Report.

Monarch's Report (Emperor IX Jason & Empress IX Keri Jo (aka Joey):

Joey (Keri Jo): The check for Tulsa Cares from Investitures has been delivered. They will be sending us the tax document we need for the donation. The backdrop that Chelsea created for Coronation, worked well for Investitures. Jay and Ray took responsibility for setting up and taking down the backdrop, which was appreciated.

A decision has been made to have a Contact for each bar. This does not mean that if you are hosting an event you cannot discuss it with the bar of choice, this is just an advance notification to these people so if the bars reach out to them, they are aware of why you are contacting the bar. The contacts are as follows:

Tulsa Eagle: Joey (Keri Jo)

Renegades: Jason

Area 18: Bobby (Chelsea)

Bamboo: Bobby (Chelsea) or Scotty. Bamboo needs to receive dates for events 3 months in advance. They do not require all of the details or decisions just need to be able to place the event on their calendars to avoid conflicts with events being scheduled on the same day.

Tulsa Eagle will only accept music on a thumb drive, so if you are going to perform you must bring your music on a thumb drive.

At the San Antonio Coronation, Queen Mother attended and made a Proclamation that when the new Monarchs are crowned at Coronations, the kneeler should be placed so the new Monarchs face the Community they will be serving and the Board of Directors and College of Monarchs will be behind them as their support system. She also mentioned that the length of Coronations needs to be reviewed. This will be discussed at the CourtCon 2017 in San Diego.

OKC Pride: Nate has asked that Joey (as Empress of ICAO) crown Cassandra the Queen of Kink. She is a 3 time Empress of the Chicago Court. Jason will also be attending the crowning as a representative of ICAO.

Royal Family Requirements: Jason has met the requirement of attending 3 of 4 of the Out of State Travel, Tulsa Pride as a Quarterly Appearance. Joey (Keri Jo) has attend 2 of her 4 required Out of State Travel, Tulsa Pride as a Quarterly Appearance. ICPs: Both John (Dakota) and Trevor represented ICAO at the Great Plains Rodeo. They both attended Tulsa Pride. Trevor attended Fort Worth's Investitures. Prince and Princess Royale: Tiffanie (Roxxie) attended Tulsa Pride. Jim attended Tulsa Pride and San Antonio's Coronation. Joey (Keri Jo) did send out information about becoming a member of ICAO in an attempt to help our membership grow.

Nebraska Themes: 1st Set: Broadway, 2nd Disney, 3rd Runway

Joey (Keri Jo) has not submitted a form for Christmas in July event, so this is still tentative as this report is given, this will be voted on during the New Business section of the meeting.

Tentative Date for Wreath Auction is November 25 and 26.

October 8th is a tentative date for a Half Time Show for the Monarchs to invite their “halfies” to join ICAO for a show.

Holly Ball: This year the Grand Duke and Duchess will organize the Holly Ball in December. Carolyn has agreed to help plan this event. There are no details available for this event at this time.

January 21, 2017 is a tentative date for the Diva and Divo II.

February 7, 2017 is a tentative date for Monarch’s Ball.

At this time, there is no information on an Underwear Auction.

Jason: At the San Antonio Coronation, Jason elevated Ray Wilkins from Knight to Duke.

Pride: Gary Kent provided a car to be used during the Pride Parade for the ICAO Monarchs. Jason appreciated all members who walked the Pride with ICAO. The After Party was fun.

OKC Pride: Jason brought up the Area 18 is going to have a float in the parade in OKC. More discussion of this topic will be held during the New Business section of today’s meeting.

Palm Cards: We need to order Palm Cards so we can distribute at Coronations and other out-of-state events. We started distributing them at the Austin Coronation in Reign VIII. A request for \$75 to order these cards will be voted on in the New Business section of this meeting.

Jason shared his concerns with the issues ICAO has experienced with negativity on Social Media and supports an update to the Code of Conduct. He reminded all in attendance that we are to treat fellow court members and anyone we come in contact with respect.

Motion to accept the Monarch’s report made by Trevor and 2nd by John (Dakota). Unanimous approval of Board.

ICP Report by Trevor Roberts and John Permantier (Dakota): Both ICP’s represented ICAO of the GPRA, the GPRA guests at today’s meeting thanked both of them representing. A request was submitted that if sending an ICP (or other member) to an event to represent the Court that full details (if available) are provided to whomever is attending as a representative.

GPRA and ICAO will research working together to create a combined calendar so each group can support each other and not plan events on the same days.

The ICP Ball will be held September 10, 2016. More details will be available soon. The Theme will be Wizard of Oz an Night of Emerald City. The monies raised will be donated to Oklahoma Youth Program. The ICP’s are working with the Renaissance Hotel to see if we can work out a deal to hold the event at the hotel.

Dallas’ CPR Ball will be held July 2, 2016. (This is not a formal event).

Turn-About will be held November 19, 2016.

Event proposals will be submitted for all ICP event proposals.

John (Dakota) mentioned that the picture of Chelsea with the little boy at Tulsa Pride has gone viral. It was a positive event for ICAO. Also, Scott (Miranda) was mentioned in a Tulsa World article.

Chelsea and Jason got to spend time with the Mother of the little boy from the Tulsa Pride picture, she has 5 other children and knows many more that would be interested. The planning of the ICP Ball will include activities for children.

Motion to approve the ICP report was made by Diane and 2nd by Joey (Keri Jo)

Member-At-Large Report (John (aka Dakota): Nothing to report.

Pride Committee (Scotty): There will be a new coordinator for the Tulsa Pride.

Scholarship Committee Report (Scotty): This Committee has been renamed Legacy Endowment and is now handled by the College of Monarchs. The College of Monarchs will provide an update in the August Meeting.

A 10-minute break was called at 4:10 and the meeting resumed at 4:20.

Old Business:

Bank/Account Signers: The Board approved a PNP (8.13) change and a possible Bylaws Change (7.3) regarding the requirement of signers on the Court's account. Membership was notified twice by email that a vote would take place at the June 11, 2016 meeting. The Bylaws change has been put on hold until more research is completed to see if a change is required. The PNP change was presented and approved by the majority of the members present at the meeting.

Original wording of PNP 8.13:

All debit card transactions and checks written on the I.C.A.O. checking account must have the authorization of two (2) signers. The President, Vice President and Treasurer shall all be the authorized signers on the checking account unless otherwise determined by the BOD. No two (2) signers shall reside in the same household.

New wording for PNP 8:13:

All debit card transactions and checks written on the I.C.A.O. checking account must have the authorization of two (2) signers, **however, only one signature will be required for each transaction.** The President, Vice President and Treasurer shall all be the authorized signers on the checking account unless otherwise determined by the BOD. No two (2) signers shall reside in the same household. **The Treasurer will be required to provide a copy of the Bank Statement each Board, Membership or Combined Meeting.**

Note: The Board of Directors Approved in May of 2016 that the two signers for Reign IX will be Bobby Strauss (aka Absolute Empress VIII, Chelsea) as President of the Board and Trevor Roberts, Treasurer.

If it is determined that a Bylaws Change is required a submission for approval to the State. Bobby (Chelsea) and Scott (Miranda) will research what requirements ICAO will be required to follow.

Committee Chairs:

PNP Committee: A new PNP committee was established during today's meeting. The members will be Carolyn Wiley, Joey Scudder-Barfield (Keri Jo), Trevor Roberts, Scott Dormont. John Permantier (Dakota) will be the Chair of this committee.

Social Media Committee: This committee is not in existence today and will be discussed at a future meeting.

Storage Building: John (Dakota) was assigned to research the availability and cost of the Court renting a storage unit. Currently items that belong to the Court are stored in multiple homes of court members. The items that are being stored at Rusty and George's home will be picked up by Joey (Keri Jo) once the court has established a storage unit.

John (Dakota) advised that the storage units nearest to the Oklahomans for Equality Center (downtown) was too expensive and would have cost the court at least \$125 a month. He located an alternative storage unit at Riverside Self Storage. The prices were \$34 for a 3 x 3 (95 square feet), \$52 for a 5 x 5 (25 square feet), and \$58 for a 5 x 10 unit (50 square feet).

It was decided that we would begin the process to rent the 5 x 10 unit at \$58 a month. Keys will be held by the two signers on the court account (For Reign IX: Bobby (Chelsea) and Trevor). A key will also be held by the Historian (for Reign IX: Scotty Dormont).

Diane donated \$20 to be used to purchase the lock for the storage unit.

The motion to proceed with the rental of the 5 x 10 unit was made by Joey (Keri Jo) and 2nd by Trevor. This motion was unanimously approved by the Board.

New Business:

Sound System: Discussion was held on possibly purchasing a Sound System for the Court. This way the court would not have to rent or borrow a sound system when needed for an event or fundraiser. Adrian Rolle has offered to build one for the Court for approximately \$800. More research will be held on this topic.

Empress Ceremonial Dagger was donated to ICAO by Ray Wilkins. This dagger was used to elevate Ray to his new title of Duke.

July Meeting: Because the July meeting was scheduled for July 2nd which is the date of the Dallas CPR Ball in which many members of the Court are planning to attend and July 9th is the Nebraska Coronation Motion made by Scott (Miranda) and 2nd by Joey (Keri Jo) to not have a Combined Membership Meeting in July. Approved by the majority of those in attendance. The Board members will meet the morning of July 9th at the Nebraska Coronation and Diane will send out minutes from that meeting. Any other items that need to be dealt with by the Board between today and the August meeting will be handled by emails.

Christmas in July Event: Will be held July 23rd. Board Votes: 3 Yes, 2 No, 1 Abstained. Event will be held on July 23rd.

Event: Waylon Fundraiser: Jim, Scotty, Ray and Diane are working on an event that will benefit children. If we plan this, Waylon can become a member of the House of Court of Animals. The name suggestion for the event is Waylon's Family: A Rainbow Connection. Jim will be the Host for this event as the owner of Waylon. There is an opportunity for the Court to help children in the Tulsa area receive shoes. Research is still being completed. A date will be selected and then an event proposal will be submitted

to the Board. The planning will be held via email at least in the beginning stages of planning. More information on this event will be provided as soon as decisions are made.

Event: Holly Ball. The Grand Duke and Grand Duchess will be planning this year's Holly Ball. Carolyn will be working with Scotty and Diane to plan the event. An event proposal will be submitted as soon as a date is established and details are finalized.

OKC Pride Parade and Float: We have been asked to join Area 18 on their float in the OKC Pride Parade. Bobby (Chelsea) will provide the details to Diane to share with the membership. The parade is to be held on Sunday, June 26th.

Pom Cards: Jason requested \$75 to create the Pom Cards. Joey (Keri Jo) will create the cards and send out to the Board for approval. If approval is given, we will see if the cards can be available for the Nebraska Coronation, if not, the next opportunity to use the cards will be the Austin Coronation.

Trevor motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:15 pm, 2nd by John (Dakota).

Next Combined Board and General Membership Meeting: Saturday, August 6, 2016 at 3 pm (OkEq).

Bobby Strass

President, Board of Directors

Diane Pressel

Secretary, Board of Directors

Approved by Email:

Signed copy will be maintained with Reign IX information.

Recorded Attendance for this meeting

Guests from GPRA: Jeff, Franklin and Lize

Monarchs: Jason Strauss and Joey Scudder-Barfield (Keri Jo)

Board Members: Bobby Strauss (Chelsea), Scott Brown (Miranda), Trevor Roberts John Permantier (Dakota), Diane Pressel

Members: Carolyn Wiley, Scotty Dormont, Ray Wilkins

Excused Absences: Jay Pendley (ill), Jim Scudder-Barfield (work), Philip Parker (out-of-town), Ryan Reavis (work), Tiffanie Overstreet (work).