



Reign 31. Date: 04/14/2024
Called to order: 11:58 p.m.
Called by: Lili W.

Attendance: Lili W, M'ris Aspire, Jean M, Juanita V, Gina Té, Reggie K, Andrea K, Eudora R, Courtney M, Jade M, Evie B., Lexi St. G

Tardy – Excused? – Evian W

On Call Attendance:

Conference call attendance:

Approval of the agenda Ida 2nd by Andrea Approvals

Approval of minutes Juanita 2nd by Ida S

Motion for Treasurer proxy for the day for Iris. Juanita / 2nd by Jean M

Discussion and/or Approved items via Board in Board Reign 31 chat between March 3, 2024, to April 13, 2024.

04/12/2024 – Juanita motions to allow one coronation Weekend Package along with \$25.00 gift card to the Garden, donated by Evian, for Jean's Pride Month Calendar fundraiser. 2nd by Ida. 4 ayes, 0 Nays, Abstain = ? **Motion carried and approved**

File Reports:

President: Chicago trip made. Discussion of about the Celebration of Life.

Email sent to Presidents for Corpus Ad. Discussion about paying for the ad. A

Phone calls to President from Ima and other calls.

Reminder for Board member to keep our business in the Realm, not privy information outside the realm.

Amount of scholarship funds available for the committee in July. Any fundraiser for scholarships within August and September goes for the following Reign.

Discussion of paying ourselves for tickets from the sales for a prize for a fundraiser.

Discussion regarding one emcee per monarch for emcee and one guest.

Bingo license – one person on vacation. Waiting for the license for the full gambling license.

15 total and special tables.

Vice President: SOP's committee update – Discussion. SOP revisions due next month. Work to reach out for help for the suggestions provided. Discussion of travel.

Secretary:

Banner – Iris will design the banner. Discussion.

Discussion for OneDrive, external HD, and flash drive. Reggie had flash drives to donate. Decided for us to flash drives to pull I.C.IA data from the laptop, erase content,

Motion for I.C.IA to wipe our laptop and donate to Iowa Homeless Youth Shelter or Iowa Secondary Education group. Juanita **2nd by Jean Approved**

Discussion to get quote from Staples to scan the phone to archive. Discussion if Ida Ho accepted Historian and the separation of BOD business documents vs court history.

Discussion to pull the photos out of the frames and scan them. Advise Evie and Ida has Epson All-In-One Printer Scanner. Printer does not work, but scanner does. Just need to download the updated patch for the software.

Discussion with about historian vs secretary duties. What should be documented. Ask about court property from Booty's.

New folders created for Court business – RFP and Tax filings

Treasurer:

Reign 31 April Treasurer Report - As of 4/10/24. Reign 30 is officially closed and paid out.

US Bank Amount \$20,816.26

Outstanding Deposits - \$

Outstanding Expenditures - \$

Total Available Bank Monies \$20,816.26

Reign 31 Books \$20,816.26

Difference \$0.00

Savings:

Yazmine Scholarship \$4,111.00

Guardian Angel Scholarship \$1,284.70

CDs:

Guardian Angel Scholarship (renewed and matures in May 2025) \$ 2,604.02

Mother Earth (renewed and matures in December 2024) \$1,024.76

State Functions: \$1,020.00 for event / \$450.00 jello shots and jewelry – scholarship in Ruby's name. Discussion about communication for the event. Remind the door money separate from the event. Budget for \$300.00 of State functions.

Head count for function for state functions for food to make.

Hotel update – Matthew at Embassy is adapted for new contract and not amend existing contracts. Matt written in $\frac{3}{4}$ ballroom. We asked for $\frac{1}{2}$ ballroom with option for expand to quarter. Food and Beverage - \$4,000.00. If we revert to the original contract, it messed up our rooms for hospitality. Discussion to flex to \$4000.00 for appetizers out of the \$6,000.00. Friday night set up is additional \$1,000.00. We can set the ballroom opening. Discussion moving forward to using $\frac{3}{4}$ ballroom, number of chairs per table, and apps vs dinner. The other half of the bathroom has been reserved and we can't expand.

August 17, 2024 – BOD ball. Issue to follow for the venue.

Gift card for Victory Show for Corpus Christi with Ida.

Monarchs Report:

Jean – Monarch Ball recap discussion. Coronation invites went out. Discussion with travel and events – Coronation travel, Leather and Lace Ball, Trans Live Festival, Tulsa made us a sister court, support Topaz for her event and SUX Pride, May travels – Investiture for Tulsa, \$100.00 donation to our court for Rewind Hotel from Laura to performance spot on May 11.

Motion by Jean. I.C.IA would reciprocate honorary sister or brother courts to our family court in kind. **2nd by Andrea.** Motion **Approved**

Discussion another event with leather and bear event – softball idea in June or July.

Motion by Jean. Suspend the 25% amount from the jello shots and jewelry sale for the scholarship in Ruby's name. 5 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 abstain. Motion **Approved.**

Discussion for Iowa helped Nicole with wig. Thank you to Dom for going back to the hotel.

Andrea's report:

Discussion with Basix or Studio 13 for dates for show. Discussion regarding travel to Tulsa, trip for Corpus Christi, Jess escorting Andrea.

Discussion about CAAP – Waiting on date by June 1st. Main ballroom. Paid for, non-refundable. Possible partnering a fundraising idea for drag show and dance. Talk ensures about \$500.00 deposit for bar. Asked for F&B cost is \$500.00. Ask Andrea cost for the F&B . Entertain BOD Ball move to Waterloo or fundraising. Bring to online chat.

Approval of reports. Evian W. **2nd by Ida.** Motion **approved.**

Motion to move meeting Garden due to the conflict with the Saddle double booking space. Andrea / **2nd by Ida.** Discussion about Pride Center for board meeting.

Auxiliary Reports – Webmaster:

The website is updated.

Website/Facebook Updates:

- All known ICIA Events have Facebook events created and are posted on website
- Coronation Page active
- Need material for the May/June newsletter by April 21st

Website Hits as of 4/10/24

2022 – 7,471

2023 – 8,682

2024 – 2,034

Year Average using GoDaddy – 8,609

April 2024 - 135

March 2024 - 799

Month Average – 765

Auxiliary Reports – PRs:

Reggie and Eudora – Invites out for PR Ball and chat out. Share event. \$80.00 Hampton In (airport) for hotel block for 10 room. No repercussion if we do not make the room block. Thank you to MN, Lexi donate cake, Evie for donations. May 11 – NE PR ball. Reggie at SUX Pride with Evie and Ida for Pride. Looking at another bingo for future – June 29, 2024, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. (weekend before July 4th) – patriotic theme.

Send donation letter to Andrea. Update -

Old Business:

1) Prides

Sioux Pride – June 1, 2023. From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Convention Center. Free booth. Advertise scholarship. Reach out to Martini Shakers to fill out information. Ask people for performers. Follow up with Martini. Talk with Rachel, Topaz, Reggie, Evie, Ida, and friends of the Court. Deadline April 30, 2024 for performers.

June 7-9, 2023. Capital City Pride: Court to pay \$50 parade. Find a truck now to report by next month. Move truck to board chat. Discussion with Brandi for Enterprise deal.

June 15-16, 2023. Iowa City Pride. Evian will be there. Information for Iowa City – board chat. Booth? Evian can man from 1- 6 p.m.; question about manning the both. Move to the board chat.

July 6, 2023, Cedar Rapids Pride. No application for vendors. Motion to Board chat. \$75.00 for booth for non-profit. No fee for the parade but has registration.

August 23-24, 2023. Cedar Valley – Requirement for Candidate. Booth cost – \$50 cost with applications due by July 2024 as first come first serve. Volunteers get tickets for the staffing to man the booth 2-3 tickets. \$20 for two days. Also,

this is a ticketed event. Everyone attending needs to purchase their tickets. They are available 2-3 months prior to the event.

- 2) Coronation planning update from the committee heads
Coronation Manager – State Functions
Set Design – Donate AA batteries. Need number for candles.
Hospitality – loop with Andrea. Update to Coronation portion. Breakfast by the hotel on Saturday.
Ball Coordinator – Muffy – Suggest looking another person. Update later.
Rose Ceremony – Jake. Has names for the deceased. Need plaque update – Lili follow-up. Follow up on Buddha. Discussion for recently deceased to cut down time. Separate Naomi and Bubbles.
Sponsorships – push for information out.
- 3) Candidate requirements - Candidate coordinator has must be at every event. Can the secretary get a proxy. Candidate cannot be a Candidate event due to illness or family.
- 4) Business Expo 31" (33" X 81" banner) Deluxe spring-loaded banner. Discussion about banner, but not amount of money figured out or agreed upon. Need a clean, high resolution jpeg image of the logo, QR code, information about scholarship.

New Business:

Update on Strategic planning based on presentation from Joe Bennish. Last month's presentation:

Phase 1 – Strategic phase 1) Discovery – discover from survey and focus groups. Feedback from others about the organization. 2) Survey to other groups outside of the organization. We set up a 6-hour long session and role setting to set specific objection. And set goals

Update on what we need to do for start Phase 1 or any feedback from Joe? Email from Joe. Send the spreadsheet for the categories for the interview/surveys. We put the questions to include in the survey. Board to put the list of additional questions together to add. We need to add Bears, Pet, Black Lives Matter, Sisters, and Leather.

Upcoming Board Meeting dates:

May 5, 2024 – Saddle. Might move to Garden to Pride Center.

June 23, 2024 – Garden

July 21, 2024 – Saddle. Motion by Jean / 2nd by Andrea. **Passed.**

August 18, 2024 – Garden from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m., Candidate Review at 12:00 p.m.

September 15, 2024 – Saddle.

Motion to Jean / 2nd Gina

