



United Court of the Sandias, Inc.
Albuquerque, New Mexico USA



BOD Meeting Minutes
N'MPower
07-10-2017

In Attendance:

- Board Members:
 - President: Tsunami Couture
 - Vice-President: Anaconda Williams
 - Secretary: Tim Winn
 - Treasurer: Seliah DeLeon
 - Emperor XXV: Leonidas R. Daniels
 - Empress XXV: Sativa Rico Stratton
 - Empress XXIV: Dahlia Rico Stratton (present, non-voting)
- Guests:
 - Michael Karreman
 - Mama Gwen
 - Augustine
 - Jake
 - Reyes
 - Alex Pintor
 - Dee
 - Shelly
 - Cyrus
 - Nadia
 - Beth
 - Dave
 - Seph Alan
 - Bunnie
 - Luis
 - Elijah
 - Domonique Toya Bouvier
 - Julian
 - Michael
 - Michael Estacio Burdick
 - Renato
 - Topher
 - Armani
 - Frida
 - Frankie

- Alex Trujillo
- Aleah

Opening

The regular meeting of the United Court of the Sandias was called to order at 8:14pm on 07-10-2017 at N'MPower by President Tsunami Couture.

Distribution of Agenda

The agenda was distributed to all attendees.

Welcome Members

At this time the floor was opened up to Mama Gwen as previously requested.

- Mama Gwen had some concerns about the out of town show and has drawn up a standard operating procedure to make this smoother in the future. As being a backstage manager she feels that these items will greatly benefit future events. The list mentions ensuring the line-up is done prior to arrival and that an MC is at each location or set prior to the show. Line up should have step downs early on in the show so that they are not cut or reduced time. One person should be designated to be in charge of busses and to have the departure times announced. One person should be in charge of the show. These designated people should not be current monarchs or candidates. A copy of this will be on file and will be taken in to consideration by the Board

At this time the floor was opened up to the guests for any questions.

- Domonique spoke about being the new promoter for Southwest All American goddess. The name will be changing to New Mexico All American Goddess ... December will be the show at SOCH and she is asking about gaining sponsorship for the crowns of \$114.14 each. She would love for any support that the UCS can provide. The board has asked that Domonique submit a proposal for consideration.

There were no other topics to discuss so the meeting continued.

Approval of Minutes

- Approval of Board Minutes from previous meeting – Presented by Tim Winn
 1. Motion: Seliah
 2. Second: Sativa
 3. Vote: 6 in favor, 0 abstained, 0 opposed
 4. Result: Motion Carries, Minutes Approved.

Financials and Invoices

- Approval of Financials – Presented by Seliah R. Deleon
 1. Motion: Sativa
 2. Second: Leo
 3. Vote: 6 in favor, 0 abstained, 0 opposed
 4. Result: Motion Carries, Financials Approved

Emergency Fund

- Approval for Payout to Jim Wilson to assist with bills after his surgery.
- Received a letter requesting payout from a certain individual. He is requesting assistance for his phone bill and to keep his room that he is living in and food. Ana will open up communication with this person to see how we can be of assistance.

Board

- Membership Coordinator Position
 - Currently an open position that we need to have filled as soon as possible
 - Additional duties would include assistance with show posters and also to incorporate social media, expanding avenues of getting UCS more noticeable, into this position.
 - Motion: Sativa
 - Second: Leo
 - Vote: 6 in favor, 0 abstained, 0 opposed
 - Result: Motion Carries, Additional duties will be added to Membership Coordinator
 - Will want to have position filled by the next Board meeting August 14th, 2017. Interested parties will need to submit a letter of interest to the board president. All members of the board will need to promote for this and then the President will be making the final appointment.
- Membership Discussion
 - The Monarchs would like to have the community membership as well as a paid membership similar to previous reign
 - Paid membership will be given a keychain as proof of membership
 - Additional perks would include discounted show prices at local bars
 - Will need to get clarification on if this would apply to SOCH
 - Paid membership would be allowed to vote on approving candidates to the ballot
 - Dues would remain at \$5 and this would go towards the operating account
 - No new members will be signed up until this can be fully drawn up
- Square
 - There are missed opportunities to collect donations when people have to be referred to an ATM. Not everyone carries cash but with a Square would
 - Ana has researched this and has found that all companies still charge a percentage on transactions. No additional charges and the total cost is a tax deduction
 - Square does offer kickbacks towards organizations
 - UCS previously had a Square so Seliah will look through to find this or a unit can be donated
- Voting Process
 - Possibility of online voting for the paid membership
 - Paid membership would vote to add the candidates onto the final ballot
 - Keep voting deadline to close the week before Coronation

Events

- Investitures
 - Will be July 30th at SOCH
 - Theme will be night at The Great Gatsby
 - Set will be donated by Bill and Ken
 - There will be some line members invested at this time
- SPOY
 - Removing Chris Alan as current title holder. As of now he is in breach of contract for failure to raise the required amount and to attend Coronation. Patron Stratton will be elevated up and he will be crowned at Investitures. Sativa and Leonidas will be getting a medallion and sash and are securing a
 - Patron is already setting up a fundraiser event at his work and a show
 - Decrease in participation and donations
 - Polled previous participants and former title holders to gain better insight
 - Change from single winner to a MI and FI
 - Remove creative and add new categories
 - Motion: Sativa
 - Second: Ana
 - Vote: 6 in favor, 0 abstained, 0 opposed
 - Result: Motion Carries, SPOY will be changed to a dual winner
- Monarch Itinerary
 - July 14th Nebraska Coronation
 - August 12th Austin Coronation
 - September 2nd Indian Coronation
- Other events
 - August 6th – Paris is burning
 - August 19th – under 21 Investitures 6pm
 - August 20th – Sunday at Soch
 - September 17th
 - September 23rd SPOY
 - September 26th
 - September 29th Night of a thousand Madonnas

Coronation

- Sheraton Airport has called to inquire about securing dates for next coronation
- Capacity can be increased to 300-400 to accommodate for more visitors and should alleviate the concern for capacity limitations
 - Motion: Leonidas
 - Second: Sativa
 - Vote: 6 in favor, 0 abstained, 0 opposed
 - Result: Motion Carries to secure the Sheraton for Coronation
- ICS meeting will be here and Heir Apparent, Aleah Rico has asked if we can try and secure a room for this at the Hotel while we are negotiating coronation contract. Seliah advised she will add that to the list of items for Friday Night and Saturday morning
- Coronation theme will be “Around the World”. Monarchs will be asking visiting courts to dress to theme and will be giving out awards for those that are best dressed in theme

- Currently 40% of donations received are put towards operating account. Monarchs would like to have portion of this to be set aside for coronation. Motion to have half, 20%, towards operating account and the other half, 20%, saved for coronation expenses.
 - Motion: Sativa
 - Second: Seliah
 - Vote: 6 in favor, 0 abstained, 0 opposed
 - Result: Motion Carries, Additional duties will be added

Board Reports

- Tsunami – Thank you to all that attended. This meeting was refreshing to see what the board used to be like and what it is now. UCS needs strong candidates going forward and this is a great way to learn the business side of the court.
- Anaconda – Thank you to all that attended. If the community has any feedback, please let us know.
- Tim – Thank you for making this a short meeting.
- Seliah – Thank you so much for everyone that showed up
- Leonidas – Thank you to those that showed up and for giving up your Monday nights. These meetings are very informative to find out where the UCS is going and why.
- Sativa – Thank you to everyone that showed up for the meeting. This is the largest turn out ever and is amazing to have this for the first reign meeting. Please come back to the next meeting on August 14th.
- Dahlia – Possibly open a board position for under 21 members

Parking Lot

- Proposal for Membership from the Monarchs
- Square research from Ana
- Voting proposal

Next Meeting

- The next Board meeting will be August 14th at 8:10 at N'Mpower

Adjournment of the meeting

1. Motion: Tim
2. Second: Leo
3. Vote: 6 in favor, 0 abstained, 0 opposed
4. Result: Motion Carries, Meeting was adjourned at 9:36pm by President Tsunami Couture.