

College of Monarchs Meeting Minutes  
October 2, 2010

Members in attendance: Angela St. James, Jim Smith, Rachel Rogers, Gypsy Russell, Ginger Snap, Truly Scrumptious St. James, Bobby Kettenacker, Priscilla DeVille, Miss Tamika, Mike Burke

Visitors: Dennis DeClaire, Shanice McCoy Patten, Mike Connley, Kathy King, Krystal Kurler, Scott Helton, Gene Sell

I. Recommendations for future by-law changes regarding elections

- Agenda item brought to college by Ginger who has questions regarding the way absentee ballots have been handled.
- Truly stated that this is a BOD issue and not a College issue and it should be talked about at that venue. Truly asked for other differing opinions; none were brought forth by other College members present.
- Kathy began to question BOD members and visitors Mike C. and Bob G. about the matter, was ruled out of order by the chair, then wanted the opinion of each member of the College present
- Truly responded when asked and told Kathy she thought the matter was a matter of personal responsibility. Each voter and each candidate has the responsibility to make sure their respective votes are being counted. If someone didn't get a ballot, there were weeks between the deadline and the election to ask someone for a ballot. There were also two weeks between the election and Coronation XX; again another time to ask where is my ballot or let someone know there is a problem with the election. Truly asked for other opinions; none were offered.
- Ginger requested the BOD make this an agenda item at the next BOD

II. Voting results for Heirs Apparent

- Ginger Snap-Clemons and Bobby Kettenacker are the heirs apparent for Reign XX. Congratulations!

III. Protocol Manual Update

- Discussion centered around the fact that many of our traditions are passed down by word of mouth or by deed, and as such they get forgotten, changed or even done away with.
- Protocol needs to be more specific and updated frequently when we notice something we historically practice is not part of or not specific enough in our protocol manual.
- Bobby Kettenacker will be Minister of Protocol for Reign XX; Congratulations!

#### IV. Proposal to combine Buffy and Angela's double decade

- Truly spoke to the possibility of making Coronation 21 the coronation where Angela gets her double decade celebration to make the numbers sync. We would still honor Buffy at the same event. Because Buffy's reign was much longer than any other, her double decade anniversary is difficult to celebrate on its own with the length of our reigns now.
- Jims only condition is that it be okay with Angela. Angela was in favor of the idea.
- Angela said it just made sense to make the numbers sync.
- Ginger suggested that the whole college vote on the matter.
- Truly will submit the proposal for a vote.

#### V. Allegations made by Bobby Kettenacker against Scott Steger

- A letter was submitted by Bobby outling an incident at Shooters.
- Allegations of shoving have been made.
- Bobby gave his version of the events, alleging that Scott pushed him at the bar and told him he hated him during Coronation Weekend.
- College members discussed the events of that night. Rachel told the group that wherever you are you are a monarch and should act accordingly.
- Truly stated that Corpus Christi had approached her at Victory Brunch and wanted her to put the issue of his behavior on the agenda to be discussed. He did not want any action taken, just that it be talked about. Truly also talked to Emperor Shane of Corpus several days after Coronation weekend and he stated that he and Scott were friends and that he and Scott had talked about that night, realized alcohol was involved as well as other personal issues, and did not want the issue on the agenda. Once the item was removed, Bobby asked that it be placed back on the agenda.
- Corpus and Scott are friends; and email from Corpus states that no one was pushed; it was sent to the College during the discussion of this meetings agenda.
- There was discussion about whether or not this behavior is a pattern as established early in the reign with Slade or just an isolated incident
- Truly will send all College members the letter from Bobby, a rebuttal from Scott as well as any information provided by Corpus and then members will vote for only one of the proposed motions below
- There were two motions made by Bobby; seconded by Jim and Angela
  - Censure Scott
  - Censure and Suspend Scott; suspension is already outlined in the protocol manual

#### VI. Meeting with New Monarchs

- Monarchs were told that the College is their advisory board. They can call upon any of us for support and guidance. They were asked if they had any questions; they were to ask.
- As Queen Mother and King Father, Gypsy Russell and Mike Burke will be the go to monarchs, but we are all here if needed.

Announcements:

1. The Candlelight Ball is scheduled for April 3 or 10, 2010; all proceeds will go to Autism Speaks. Each reign is encouraged to help out the event in some way; the way is up to you.
2. Roberta Bigg will be planning the event. Bobby Kettenacker is making a quilt for the event; Truly is putting together a fashion show with fashions by Patrick Howell. Each model will purchase their dress; Kevin Raleigh has expressed interest in reviving the T-Shirt Auction and we already have contacts to get Oprah, Elizabeth Taylor, and Elton John and a radio contact who is willing to help us get even more, so that looks promising. Your talents are desired so represent your reign in some way at the First Annual Candlelight Ball sponsored by The Illustrious College of Monarchs of Cincinnati