



Grand Council
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**Minutes of the Board of Proctors of
E Clampus Vitus®, Inc.**
Meeting held on Friday, May 20, 2016
at the 2016 Grand Council in Sonora, Alta California

1. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 1:08 PM by SNGH Jim “Hightower” Waterman.
2. Roll Call. Present were SNGH Jim Waterman, VSNGH Brian Nash, SNGR Ken Jaques and Proctors Danny Bauder, Mike Eckley, Dennis “Mr. Late” Holschlag, XSNGH Fred Ludemann, XSNGH Gary “BullsEye” Glud, Bill Wensrich, Dan McCormick, XSNGH Ken “Texas” Berry, Mike Eckley, Dean Hamlin, Ken Moser and Gregg Simas.
 - Absent was Proctor Bill Baumann. Rumor has it the dog ate his Proctor book resulting in his excused absence. Bill has finally learned to never let the dog guard his food or guard his Proctor meeting book.
 - There were 14 present and 1 absent. A quorum of 8 was met.

3. Introductions. SNGH Waterman introduced the two new incoming Proctors to the Board. XNGH Dave Otero of the Chief Truckee Chapter and XNGH Jim Cirner of the Branceforte Chapter were in attendance for this meeting. Jim also stated he was rolling over VSNGH Brian Nash to another term on the Board of Proctors. The incoming Proctors were welcomed by the Board and assumed the traditional role played by Proctor Pupa. Because young Master Dean “Dino” Hamlin was absent last year he was required to assist Dave and Jim during their introductory training session. It was also announced that it was anticipated that XNGH-P Bill Wensrich would be elevated to the role of Sublime Noble Grand Recorder on Saturday, May 21st
4. Gold Dust Report. Gold Dust report was given by SNGR Ken Jaques. The balances for both the General and Scholarship Funds were reported and both accounts were found to be in good order. Ken stated all bills have been paid including the insurance.
5. Chapter Statistical Reporting and prior meeting minutes. SNGR Ken Jaques updated the Board as to the status of all Chapters with respect to insurance, corporate status, dues and statistical reporting. He reported that one Chapter and one Outpost still needed to submit evidence of their incorporation status. It was noted that the Corporation Name should match the name on the Chapter’s insurance exactly.

A motion was made to approve the BOP meeting minutes for the April conference call and the minutes produced as a result of the meetings held at TRASH in July of last year. The motion was seconded. Motion carried.

6. Downieville Issue. Jim Waterman provided the group with an update on the Downieville Chapter resolution. He will make a special announcement at the 2:00 PM Grand Council meeting. He provided the SNGR with the signed agreement documents for the ECV Inc. archives.

Jim also stated what was once the Foreskins group is now down to just one rogue group, New Helvetia. Downieville and Joe Zumwalt are cooperating with the requests made of them by Jim on behalf of ECV Inc.

This a major accomplishment by the Executive Committee.

7. Tom Tompkins and Eddie Hawkins made a presentation regarding the formal formation of the Grand Encampment Host Committee. This group of seven members organizes and oversees the preparation and operation of the Sonora Fair Grounds for the annual May Sonora ECV Grand Council conclave. A written

report was provided to all Proctors. Current membership of this working committee includes:

- Ed Hawkins
- Tom Tompkins, XSNGH
- Ken Jaques
- Danny Bauder
- Jerry Robich
- Bob Romer, XSNGH
- Dave Bond

Eddie stated this was our nineteenth year in Sonora. Before use of this site Grand Council was held in Murphys, Mariposa and Antioch.

8. “The Clampers Clan” march song was presented to the Board by Loren Wilson, XSNGH along with the history and a written report of how it came about in 1916. Loren played the song for the Board and requested it be reaffirmed as the official ECV march song. The Board of Proctors has so declared “The Clampers Clan” to be the official march song of the organization.
9. Proposed expulsion of an individual by Sam Brannan was presented by Loren Wilson, XSNGH representing the Chapter. A member’s actions at last year’s Sam Brannan Howling function brought discredit to ECV and the Chapter endangering their relationship with the BLM and local Sheriffs. Sam Brannan has removed him from their Chapter rolls and advised the Board of Proctors and other Chapters. No action of the Board was requested.
10. Break. The BOP took a ten (10) minute break.
11. A Grand Council Hawkers written proposal was presented to the Board by XNGH Tony Brassfield. The concept presented was intended to propose a method for ECV Inc. to generate additional monies needed to reduce encumbered debt and to improve the organization’s future financial footing. Proctor Mike Eckley also presented additional ideas during the discussion. VSNGH Brian Nash stated he plans to work on this notion next year and include the proposal concept on the July BOP agenda.
12. A person who has been banned from ECV made an appearance requesting his membership in ECV be reinstated. Several questions were posed to him about his activities on various anti Grand Council Facebook sites and his relationship with the New Helvetia group. He stated he would remove himself as an active officer with the group, but would still likely attend their functions should his membership be reinstated. Since the Board of Proctors encourages all Chapters and members

not to attend or Hawk at non authorized ECV Inc. functions, his response seems to fall outside some of the ideas of the Board. He will be sent a letter advising him of the decision. A motion was made to gather more information and make a decision regarding the man's request at the TRASH meeting in July where a vote regarding his reinstatement request will be taken. The motion was seconded. Motion carried (see further discussion under GOOD OF THE ORER).

13. Lucinda Jane Saunders representatives NGH Daniel Fermoye, VNGH Don Roahrig, Clampatriarch Larry Juden, and XSNGH Sonny Marshall, advised the BOP of their actions revoking a membership in the LJS Chapter of ECV for Hawking agreement violations and financial improprieties with the Chapter. They have advised all the other Chapters regarding their actions. They requested the BOP to remove this man from the rolls of ECV and revoke his membership.

Following their presentation after discussion by the Board a motion was made to remove him from ECV based on LJS statements regarding his disruption of the good of the order. Motion seconded. A roll call of the vote was requested and resulted in a 10 to 4 vote to not remove him from ECV. The majority of the Board felt this was an issue that should remain at the Chapter level

14. Jesse Lee Reno issue update by Jim Waterman. Jim discussed the handouts provided in the Proctor meeting book and the history of BOP meeting discussion about the Julia C. Bulette Chapter ECV territory claims documented in past BOP meeting minutes. With regard to the BOP granting the Jesse Lee Reno group Outpost status in May, 2014, the Board may have made an administrative error regarding the requirement that all adjoining Chapters to a proposed Outpost must agree to the formation of the Outpost according to BOP Guidelines. Adjoining Chapters to the JLR group are:

- Julia C. Bulette
- Chief Truckee
- Snowshoe Thompson.

JCB objects to the granting of the Outpost stating the JLR group wants territory they claim as their protectorate. Although the JLR Outpost was given Pershing County in Nevada last year to begin operations until a final territory agreement could be reached, in the JCB view their desired territory is JCB territory or protectorate territory and they are still opposed as of this meeting to the formation of the JLR Outpost due to need. They claim there is no need for another ECV Chapter in that part of the state of Nevada.

The JLR Sponsor, Lucinda Jane Saunders Chapter representative, XSNGH Sonny Marshall, told the JLR group last year not to conduct any functions in the Reno

area or Pershing County until the territory dispute could be resolved. Therefore, JLR held no functions last year.

After discussing the issue background, the Proctors were advised to familiarize themselves with the documents provided and be prepared for the Saturday JCB presentation regarding the JLR Outpost.

15. General Discussion for Good of the Order. Following general comments and a follow up discussion regarding the reinstatement request, SNGH Waterman appointed a new Membership Reinstatement Committee to develop guidelines and criteria for the Board to use when considering reinstatement to ECV of past members whose membership has previously been revoked since this has never been done before. The SNGR will send a letter to the man advising him that no decision will be made until after the July meeting at T.R.A.S.H.

16. Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn and was seconded. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 4:01 PM.

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Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bill Wensrich". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

Bill Wensrich, SNGR
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1. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM by SNGH Jim “Hightower” Waterman.
2. Roll Call. Present were SNGH Jim Waterman, VSNGH Brian Nash, SNGR Ken Jaques and Proctors Danny Bauder, Mike Eckley, Dennis “Mr. Late” Holschlag, XSNGH Fred Ludemann, XSNGH Gary “BullsEye” Glud, Bill Wensrich, Dan McCormick, XSNGH Ken “Texas” Berry, Mike Eckley, Dean Hamlin, Ken Moser and Gregg Simas.
 - Absent was Proctor Bill Baumann. There were 14 present and 1 absent. A quorum of 8 was met
3. Billy Holcomb Chapter Appearance. XSNGH Sid Blumner and NGH Karl White led a large contingent of Billy Holcomb members before the BOP. NGH Karl White presented incoming SNGH Brian Nash with a Badge of Office, as well as Tee-shirts with his likeness to all members of the BOP. XSNGH Blumner also stated that Billy Holcomb Chapter shall provide any Proctor with "free rub" invitations to Holcomb Chapter events. A letter summarizing the Chapter’s accomplishments during the prior year was also provided to each Proctor. The supplications were well received, especially by a smiling, M. Brian “Batwing” Nash.

4. De La Guerra y Pacheco Chapter 1.5 Appearance. XSNGH Dave Holmes introduced long time ECV author, PXP Tim Spencer (aka Seth Slopes) and presented a copy of the just published book written by Tim, *The Golden Years of E Clampus Vitus*. Dave stated they were working on another two books, but for the record he wanted it recorded that they were working on another 1.5 books. And so recorded! Dave stated that all proceeds from the book would be provided to ECV Inc. Tim handed each member of the Board an autographed copy of the book. Dave also reported they had sold 80 of the 500 copies printed at Grand Council to date. A second book concept was passed out for review. This book would be about the Wall of Comparative Ovarions in Murphys. Proceeds from this book would be directed toward a fund to preserve the wall.
5. Dumbelican Brotherhood Report. XNGH Dave Bond appeared before the BOP. He announced the Dumbelicans selected as the 2016 Clamper of the Year, Ray “Bare” Bunn! The BOP congratulated the Dumbelican Brotherhood on a fine selection.
6. Plaque Book Update. XNGH Mark Hall-Patton discussed progress being made on the next ECV Plaque book. With the help of Phil Brigandi, they are currently formatting the new book and plan to utilize an on-demand printer, CreateSpace. As part of the agreement with them, the new plaque book will be also made available on line at Amazon.com. ECV Inc. will receive a share of the profits for each book sold by Amazon. The new book will also utilize the “perfect bound” spine stitching method which means the book will hold up much better to wear and tear than past plaque books. The anticipated selling cost of the new book will be \$25 and should be available for sale sometime in 2018. The new plaque book will also include “maverick” ECV plaque pictures. These are plaques put up by individuals or those that were never previously reported. Mark also requested Chapters that have not sent in new photos and wording to do so. The Board approved Mark’s plan and asked him to proceed.

Mark also discussed plans to create a plaque list publication. He provided each Proctor with a written report.

7. Al Packer Chapter Appearance regarding the Southpass 1867’ers Historical Society. NGH Keith Butts requested Outpost status for the Southpass 1867 group to be sponsored by Al Packer Chapter. 1867ers present included Ed Ransford, Guy Donovan and Ryan Hamilton. They stated they have 10 active members, and conduct meetings in Lander, Wyoming. Handouts and map were provided to the BOP indicating their proposed Outpost territory would be 14 of the 23 counties in Wyoming. Those counties proposed are:
 - Albany, Carbon, Converse, Fremont,
 - Goshen, Hot Springs, Laramie, Lincoln,
 - Natrona, Niobrara, Sublette, Sweetwater,
 - Teton and Uinta

8. Doc Maynard Chapter Appearance for the Robert Gray Historical Foundation. NGH Rick Meade and Robert David from the historical group made a presentation requesting Outpost status for the Robert Gray Historical Foundation group. They stated their proposed territory would include four counties along the Columbia River in Washington State, and three counties along the other side of the Columbia in Oregon. Those counties are:
- Pacific, Wahkiakum, Cowlitz and Clark Counties in Washington
 - Clatsop, Columbia and Multnomah Counties in Oregon

The group meets regularly in Washougal, Washington (near the Vancouver/Portland, Oregon area) and has 16 members in their immediate group.

Umpqua Joe Chapter NGH Harold Lee was present and stated their Chapter supports Outpost status for this group. Proctor Dan McCormick said that Doc Maynard also supports the group.

No written report was provided to the BOP regarding this request.

9. Estanislao Chapter Appearance for the Four Georgians Outpost. XNGH Gary Waychoff and Four Georgians Leader Wade Pickering made a presentation to the BOP regarding progress made over the last year by the Four Georgians Outpost. Four Georgians has incorporation status in Montana, as well as liability insurance. A written report was provided to each Proctor that discussed their past year's activities and Doin's as well as meeting minutes and financial statements. They held four events this last year and had 52 Redshirts at their first Doin's. They have been recognized and contacted by other historical groups in their area to build monuments in their areas. They have grown from 6 to 31 active members.
10. Break. The BOP took a ten (10) minute break.
11. Matt Warner Chapter for the Robert Leroy Parker Outpost. XSNGH John Magnuson spoke first on behalf of sponsoring Chapter Matt Warner. He stated that the Outpost was ready for their Charter and recommended to the BOP that the Outpost be granted Chapter status. A detailed written report was provided to the Proctors which included all administrative paperwork requirements and a discussion of their activities. Outpost leader Mike Ashcroft made a short presentation and answered Board member questions.
12. Lucinda Jane Saunders Chapter Appearance for the Jesse Lee Reno 1422 Outpost. XSNGH Sonny Marshall for LJS, and JLR Pitt Boss John Jangula and Alan Roberto provided a status report and a discussion about conflicts over territory efforts with the Julia C. Bulette Chapter. Although JLR was given Pershing County as their territory

in Nevada last year, they had been directed to work with JCB to come to territory agreements in their efforts to claim part of Washoe County. No events were held in Pershing County last year because Sonny had directed the Outpost to hold off until an agreement with JCB could be finalized. It was noted that after the TRASH BOP meeting last July, JLR was instructed to work with JCB to resolve any outstanding issues. To date these issues still exist. John Jangula has taken over for CEO Jason Finley. John was instructed to make a concerted effort to contact JCB and begin a serious and ongoing dialog between the two groups.

13. Chapter and Outpost Briefing by the SNGH. SNGR Ken Jaques called roll of those Chapter representatives present at the 10:00 AM meeting. All Chapters and Outposts of ECV Inc. were present with the exception of: Jesse Lee Reno Outpost, Slim Princess Chapter, Frank C. Riley Chapter, Las Plumas Del Oro Chapter, Four Georgians Outpost, Billy Holcomb, Estanislao, and Snake River Chapter.

Jim asked each Proctor to introduce themselves and announce their assigned Liaison Chapters. He then provided information updates:

- Joe Zumwalt 169 group is in compliance with the BOP and it is up to each Chapter to determine if they want to allow them to Hawk at their functions.
- Current corporate status is critical to maintaining Chapter operation. Two Chapters came close to receiving a suspension of their Charter this year for not maintaining their corporate status. He reminded everyone to not lose their corporate status. He also stated some chapters also carry officers insurance.
- PBC control issues were discussed. Jim stated he had received over 200 positive responses regarding the new PBC policy issued last year.
- He also shared some ideas being kicked around regarding PBCs.
 - Raise the age limit
 - Don't let a member sponsor anyone until they have completed two years as a red shirt themselves.
- Jim also stated "Let's get back to and maintain our colors of red and black."
- Jim had the LSD NGH 'Sneaker', share their new zero tolerance policy. Their Board now interviews every PBC candidate and the sponsors of rejected candidates are "schooled."
- Jim stated Retreading is up to each Chapter and the Chapter should control the process.
- Jim emphasized the PBC policy of "no projectiles" period!

14. Julia C. Bulette Chapter Appearance for the Copper Queen Outpost and a second discussion of the Jesse Lee Reno Outpost/territory issue. An extremely detailed binder of all necessary information about the Outpost was proved to each Proctor. Matt Klahn representing the Outpost stated they held two Candlelight functions, one Doin's and had updated their By-laws this last year. Based on the report provided and support from JCB representatives present all questions regarding the Outpost were satisfactorily answered. Kevin Breckinridge, JCB NGH has requested the BOP advance the Outpost to Provisional status. Copper Queen Representatives were thanked and excused. JCB folks remained in the room for the next discussion item.

XSNGH Ron Cox, XSNGH Dail Turney, and XSNGH Rod Stock made remarks representing JCB. They reminded the BOP they object to the granting of Outpost status for the JLR group based on need and territory they claim as their protectorate. Jim noted their Charter states their territory is that of Virginia City. However, they claim over the years and specifically reference the 1982 BOP minutes which they say grants them the following five counties in Nevada to fall under their purview and that of Snowshoe Thomson Chapter as the joint Protectorate of both Chapters.

- Washoe, Storey, Carson, Churchill and Lyon

SNGH Waterman provided a sequence of documents available from the BOP archives. Much discussion ensued between the BOP and the JCB representatives as to the meaning of those documents and their interpretation. From the BOP point of view, the five counties in question are not the territory of JCB or Snowshoe Thompson, nor do those counties necessarily belong to JCB or Snowshoe as the disputed Protectorate claimed. At the end of the presentation discussion, an impasse between JCB and the BOP regarding the clear definition of Protectorate counties and rights remained on the table but a decision would be rendered to end this dispute once and for all.

15. Break—Working Lunch.

16. Discussion of Status of Outposts and Requests.

- **Al Packer/SOUTHPASS 1867**—discussion ensued regarding their territory request and whether or not that was consistent with previous Outpost territory decisions. A motion was made that the BOP invites the group back next year to make a revised presentation discussing a reconsideration of the territory they are proposing. Motion was seconded. Motion carried. The invitation letter should tell them to keep up the good work and to invite adjoining Chapters from whom they need approval: Snake River, Matt Warner and Sponsor Al Packer.

- **Doc Maynard/ROBERT GRAY**—discussion ensued regarding the quality and detail of their presentation. A motion was made to invite them back next year to make a presentation with a detailed discussion and handout. The motion was seconded. Motion carried.
- **Estanislao/FOUR GEORGIANS OUTPOST**—discussion ensued resulting in the following motion. The BOP shall invite the Sponsor and Four Georgians Outpost to come back next May and make another presentation. They shall retain their Outpost status as provisional. Motion carried.
- **Matt Warner/ROBERT LEROY PARKER OUTPOST**—based on their presentation and performance over the last year, following discussion, the following motion was made and seconded. Move the Robert Leroy Parker Outpost to Chapter status. They will receive their Charter. Motion carried.
- **Lucinda Jane Saunders/JESSE LEE RENO OUTPOST**—following an intense discussion the following motion was made and seconded. The Jesse Lee Reno Outpost shall maintain their current fledgling level as an Outpost of ECV while continuing to operate in Pershing County, Nevada and to conduct an ongoing cooperative and developmental dialog with Julia C. Bulette Chapter and Sponsor, Lucinda Jane Saunders Chapter, to resolve the territory issue and reach a final and amicable territory resolution agreement. Motion carried.
- **Julia C. Bulette/COPPER QUEEN OUTPOST**—following discussion a motion was made and seconded to move the Copper Queen Outpost to provisional status. Motion carried.
- **Julia C. Bulette territory**--More discussion ensued. Jim pointed out the only specific documentation we have is the JCB Charter which states on the front of the document that their given territory is only Virginia City. Since all of the documentation regarding territory and research provided by Jim under tab 11 in the May 2016 Proctor meeting binder is conclusive and clear, the following motion was made and seconded. Julia C. Bulette and Snowshoe Thompson Chapters will control the territory granted to them in their original Charters, and the five Nevada counties (Washoe, Storey, Carson, Churchill, Lyon) are open territory, and shall continue to be overseen by both Chapters until the BOP determines whether needs necessitate a change. Motion carried.

17. General Discussion--Good of the Order/Retiring Proctor Statements/Nominating Report.

Proctor XSNGH Ken Berry, representing Lost Dutchman Chapter announced their member Jack “Round Devil” Johnson celebrated his 50th year as an ECV member and that Frank Houdek was his sponsor (the Recorder is “shocked” to learn that Frank is that old). Furthermore, Ken stated Lost Dutchman had permission from adjoining Chapters

and they were petitioning the BOP for the entire state of Texas as their Outpost so Lost Dutchman can secure ocean front property. Petition denied.

SNGH Jim Waterman asked retiring Proctors Fred Ludemann and Gary Glud to make a statement. Each Proctor echoed the others appreciation for the process, learning, and ECV. Fred stated his ten year journey on the Board was an excellent experience. Jim presented certificates of appreciation to both Fred and Gary who received a hearty round of applause from the Proctors.

Jim called for the progression of BOP Officers individually, one office at a time. Motions were made, seconded and carried to advance:

- Brian Nash to SNGH
- Ken Jacques to VSNGH who shall be Nameless
- Bill Wensrich to the office of SNGR
- Dave Otero, Chief Truckee Chapter to Proctor
- Jim Cirner, Branceforte Chapter to Proctor

18. Adjournment: The two retiring Proctors couldn't take it anymore. A motion was made by XSNGH Fred Ludemann to adjourn and was seconded by Gary Glud. The meeting was adjourned at 1:31 PM.

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Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bill Wensrich". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the bottom.

Bill Wensrich, SNGR
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