

# MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF PROCTORS MEETING

July 20, 2013, Lake Isabella, California

**Call to Order:** 3:55 P.M.

## **Roll Call:**

Roll Call was conducted by SNGR Jim Waterman, Present were SNGH Fred 'Suds' Ludemann, NAMELESS Ken Berry, SNGR Jim Waterman, XSNGH Dan Stark, XSNGH Tom Crawford, XSNGH Glenn Thornhill, CSNGH Bob Romer, Proctor Danny Bauder, Proctor Brian Nash, Proctor Dennis Holschlag, Proctor Bill Wensrich, Proctor Jerry Robich, and Proctor Ken Jaques.

Absent were XSNGH Gary Glud and Proctor Dan Barger.

## **Review of BOP minutes from May 18 and 19, 2013:**

Correction to the minutes of May 19, 2013, were made by XSNGH Glenn Thornhill. Glenn pointed out that his name has 2, 'n's' and not 1 'n' as indicated on page 7, line 10.

After discussing the "N letter" issue ad nauseam, a motion was made and seconded, to make the correction to the minutes. There were 12 votes in favor and 1 vote opposed. Motion passed.

A motion to approve the minutes as corrected was made and seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

## **Gold Dust Report:**

SNGR Jim Waterman read the Gold Dust report.

All accounts were found to be in good order, and balances current.

Motion to approve the report was made and seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

## **Old Business:**

### Letters of Expulsion:

Letters of Expulsion to four members of ECV were sent out as a result of the Board of Proctors action taken at the Grand Council meeting, May 18, 2013. Proof of service notices have been received, and filed.

### Trademark Issue Update:

The federal Trademark complaint is proceeding through the court, and a ruling is due in the near future on previously filed motions. The attorney for ECV, Inc. is preparing to proceed to trial.

### Restated Articles of Incorporation and Revised By Laws:

SNGH Fred Ludemann discussed the process the Committee of Officers and Proctors undertook to bring our Articles of Incorporation and By Laws up to date and transitioned into legal documents that reflect current times.

The original Articles were drafted almost 100 years ago and were seriously out of date. The By Laws had several issues that needed to be addressed and new sections added. The committees drafts were reviewed by our attorney and the final product is a document that will function as the constitution of ECV, Inc. Proctor Brian Nash explained the changes and how he was able to put them into the current form. All members of the Board of Proctors had been provided a copy of the documents before the meeting for review. Motion was made and seconded to approve the Restated Articles of Incorporation and the Revised By Laws. Motion passed unanimously. At the conclusion of the Meeting, all Members of the Board present signed the documents. The signatures of the two other Board Members will be obtained prior to the documents being delivered to the California Secretary of States office in Sacramento.

## **New Business:**

### Chapter Contacts & Advisors:

SNGH Fred Ludemann proposed an idea to help build better communication between Chapters and the Board of Proctors. Ludemann suggested assigning each Board Member, 3 Chapters, in areas geographically close to the members home. Ludemann read the proposed assignments for each proctor and then opened the topic for discussion.

All those who spoke felt it was a good idea and would be helpful to the Chapters. It was mentioned that we should emphasize to the Chapters that we don't want to run their Chapter, but make ourselves available for advice if needed. Changing liaisons would be a yearly requirement since members would be leaving and new members seated on the board, and may not include a Proctors home Chapter in the future. It was discussed that when Chapter assignments were worked out, contact with the sitting

Humbug of each Chapter should be made by phone rather than a letter, to advance the idea of personal interaction.. Motion made and seconded to proceed with the concept. Motion passed unanimously.

**Good of the Order:**

XSNGH Tom Crawford made an impassioned plea that would excuse he, XSNGH Dan Stark, and XSNGH Glenn with 2 'N's' Thornhill, from paying their just rub for TRASH, and having the Board of Proctors pick up the tab. The justification for this honor is that the trio feels they have accomplished many great and stupendous things during their respective reigns.

The laughter subsided many minutes later when order was restored by SNGH Fred Ludemann when he had to bank the, 'Mallet of Order', several times on the table. Motion was made and seconded to table the issue until 2030. Motion passed UNANIMOUSLY.

There was some discussion about XSNGH Ron Cox being named, 'Brickquero", for the purpose of enhancing Adam Lee Moore's grave site. Cox was provided with an introductory letter, but has not been able to get to the site yet and obtaining more information on the logistics of completing the task in true Clamper fashion. A motion was made to adjourn the meeting, it was seconded by everyone.

Meeting adjourned at 4:52 P.M.

Submitted by,

Jim Waterman, SNGR