

Minutes of Grand Guardian Council of South Dakota

October 26, 2019, Jobie U, Sioux Falls, SD

In attendance was Valori Maher GG, Dawn Erk VGG, Kennedee Miles MM, Kim Miles PBG, Carla Knutson #12BG, Kaylene Sauer #3 GS, Estal Pearce #12, Jen Blake #44, Ginny Kaus #10, Sarah V. Maskovich #10BG/GM, Tyler Peoples #10ABG/GOG, Kristine Clark #1GS, Misty Jensen #1, Larry Johnson PAGG, Natalie King #38, Krista Vandersnick #38, Teagan McNary #38, Dawn Rice #1, Glen Rice #1, Lyn Neiman PGG.

The meeting began with GG Val apologizing for things not getting out in a timely manner. The full directory will be on the website by Wednesday. A couple of people on committees still need to be determined. She is working hard to do better in getting things done.

Unfinished Business:

Supreme Report – Val noted her notes from Supreme have mysteriously disappeared off her laptop. Check on the Supreme website regarding the amendments and their status. Amelia from #12 placed in her ritual competition. We will be changing our ritual competition next year to be more consistent with Supreme, and include the stations and duties. Joan Knutson is considering putting name in for Supreme Honored Queen. It was brought up that she needs to submit a letter of intent to the GGC by Annual Meeting.

Color Run – (Rapid City Bethel #44 event) 73 people registered. Lots of non-Jobies included. They had lots of great sponsors participate. Cost was around \$1200 and a permit was required from city for \$50.

Marketing Strategy Report – Krista and Teagan reported good response about video shot at Grand. Video has also been gathered from Color Run and El Riad Shrine Football Game where girls participated. The website and media is still being worked on. Video will be done at Pierre Bash.

Membership and Promotion – Val reported Supreme has worked a partnership with Vista Print for special promotion items. Information is on Supreme the website. All bethels are initiating girls with status as follows:

Bethel #1 – Have 1-3 petitions

Bethel #3 – Initiated 3 – 2 petitions

Bethel #10 – No petitions - 8 active - 12 on the books

Bethel #12 – 2 petitions out – 2 prospects

Bethel #21 – Initiating 2-3

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Bethel #38 – 1 for initiation this fall – 2-3 prospects

Bethel #44 – Initiated 3

When asked about the reimbursement of dues discussed at Annual Meeting, Val said Toni will include information along with the Annual Report information.

Ideas shared for help in getting prospects: Pizza baked at Dominoes and bowling/ Kidnap sleepover/ Game Day/ Iron Chef competition/ Apple Crisp baking event.

Adult meetings – Since September meeting was cancelled, Bethel 10 agreed there could be a couple hours in the evening of Pierre Bash that committees could meet, however in fairness to Pierre and the events they have planned, a formal meeting will not be held. There was discussion about using Zoom.us for conferencing to help committees to get together. The Supreme Team will be at Pierre Bash. Sarah said they will be doing a time of mini-classes that the girls will move from one to another, that will include things like auto mechanics, counting change, tatting and cross stitching. There will be 11 stations manned with help from the masonic bodies. It was suggested that membership, Miss Pageant, Marketing committees for sure meet at Bash.

A reminder: all Miss Contestants need to take the Ritual of Knowledge Test before they are eligible to compete. Bethels should start talking to members interested immediately and help them get this done.

GG Val set date of January 18, 2020 in Chamberlain for next meeting as follows: 11:00 – 12:30 pm CST Committee Mtgs, 12:30 – 1:00 Lunch, 1:00 – 5:00 GGC meeting. Suggested committees to meet – Promo and Membership, Strategic Planning, Jurisprudence, Finance.

New Business:

There was a discussion suggested by Glen Rice that any girls interested in putting name in for consideration to be Grand Bethel Honored Queen would have to have a letter of intent submitted to the VGG and VAGG by the Annual Meeting in April. He said they need to establish a relationship with future GG and AGG. Letter should include girl's intent for projects and goals for the year. There was discussion about what this would accomplish and what process would be. Further discussion needs to be done. GG Val and GBG Jen will compose a letter and send out to Bethels about the position of GBHQ.

The original date announced at Grand for the next Annual Meeting was end of April 2020, however that is the date of the Sioux Falls Shrine Circus. Date has been changed to April 4-5 2020 in Sioux Falls. Since this date has been moved up, committees need to look at their deadlines for the Call Letter and adjust those accordingly if information needs to be in by Annual meeting.

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The meeting was concluded with prayers for the Maskovich family.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lyn Neiman, PGG