SD Grand Guardian Council Meeting

March 6th, 2021

Roll Call:

Jen Blake Dawn Erk Julia Knutson Lyn Neiman Carla Knutson Laura Brown Maddie \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Joann Coady Sally Richardson Gennifer Randolph Virginia Kaus Larry Johnson Herb Cook

Bob Carrico Sandy Vanneman Carol White Kaylene Sauer Glen Rice Krista Vandersnick

Kennedee Miles Lillie Palmer Kim Miles Shawn Peel Andrea Friedrichsen Kristine Clark

Bobbie Deuter

Meeting was called to order at 9:00am MST by Grand Guardian Dawn Erk and a quorum was established.

It was discussed to add discussions about a letter of intent and the committees to the agenda. Glen Rice moved to approve the agenda with the additions, 2nd by Carla Knutson. Motion carried.

Minutes: Discussed changes to the October minutes. Lyn Neiman said that there were several errors on those minutes and that she had rewritten them. It stated that per a motion from Mona Kotas that “the bethels should not pay anything on the Annual Report to Supreme.” It was suggested that we table the minutes until May and do the changes there. Glen Rice moved to approve the minutes of the February meeting and to table the minutes of the October meeting, 2nd by Herb Cook. Motion carried. Lyn also asked that when it says to “see attached” that we make sure we are attaching those items. She said some have been sent with no attachments.

Communications: I sent Dawn the correspondence from Supreme regarding the letter of intent for Supreme Bethel Honored Queen, the Supreme Bethel letter and Pageant information.

Grand Treasurer’s Report: Sandy discussed the Treasurer’s report. The amounts are slightly different than they are on the agenda-those numbers are from 12-31-2020. She did post a new report that is available on the website. Tammy sent in the checks from the bethels from the annual report and Sandy deposited them.

Reports: Bethel welfare:

(1) per Kristine-they are meeting via Zoom and did Valentine’s Day cards for nursing homes as their fun event/service project. Dawn thanked them for doing that. They have 8 active girls.

(3) per Kaylene-they haven’t been doing much since Gwen and Gretchen were both getting over Covid. They have 8-9 active girls and 3 Jobie-2-bees.

(10) per Sandy-they are trying to have Zoom meetings-some girls are not fond of Zoom. Sandy said it’s time for a get-together and hit Zesto’s! 😊

(12) per Carla-they are having 1-2 Zoom meetings per month and on the 28th, they are having an in-person installation of officers. They have 3 active girls.

(21) per Colleen via text message-her internet is acting up but they have 6 active girls.

(44) per Jen-4 active girls. They are having their first in-person meeting on Monday. They held a Chopped event online and it was hilarious. They are also doing a plug for Job’s Daughters at the movie theatre-before the movie plays, a little ditty comes on about Job’s Daughters to help get us out there. It costs $100 a month to do that.

HIKE Calendar & Auction Updates: Jen reported on the HIKE calendar-$1 per day and you can wish anyone happy birthday, anniversary, etc. Also, the on-line auctions are still going on and asked that someone please make Herb pay more! 😊 Kaylene also reported on a HIKE fundraiser-they’ve collected $195.00 already with $20.00 of it coming all the way from Holland. The money from this goes directly to Supreme.

Unfinished Business:

Krista inquired about the education and promotions portion of the Annual Report-since the by-laws are suspended, are they required to pay them? Discussion followed about how many bethels paid these and who didn’t. Lyn also discussed the annual report and how education and promotion is sometimes paid at the time of the annual report but does not have to be paid then. Since the minutes for that meeting are still tabled, we will discuss this further at the May meeting.

GGC Zoom account: Dawn discussed the Zoom account for GGC. This is for use by anyone-even the Bethels can use this account for their meetings, etc. A few bethels have their own Zoom accounts and that’s fine-we are NOT however supposed to use someone’s company’s Zoom account. We are allowed to use someone’s personal account. We cannot have an in-person meeting and have someone else join us on Zoom-cannot do both. Lyn inquired about the guidelines that Bobbie was going to send out-Bobbie said that she did send these out but for now we are going by Supreme guidelines. The account subscription has been paid for a year and then we will have to renew it.

New Business: Sally inquired if Bob Carrico had given Shawn the collar for the Associate Grand Guardian or books for the Board of Trustees or the pin? Bob said no-he had not gotten together with Shawn yet.

A new media release and virtual platform guidelines will be coming from Supreme soon.

JDI constitution and by-laws are suspended at least until August 8th-Policies and trademarks are still in effect. (All information is available on the JDI Forward on the Supreme website.) As for the logo, we cannot use the font. Someone has the trademark for the Font and it is still in litigation at this point. The logo with the 3 girls is fine.

Supreme Session-In Person and Virtual- Voting and ALL competitions will be virtual and held in July. Information is available on the Supreme website.

Bethel Bubble: Until further notice, we cannot travel-cannot visit another bethel or help them out with meetings, etc. Family members, and adults can meet in person through the end of March so far-hoping for new guidelines in April? Krista began a discussion on getting together just for the sake of getting together. If we are only going to do certain things, then she feels it would not be worth the trip. “It needs to be valuable, purposeful and intentional.” Jen added that the bylaw changes need to be out 30-45 days in advance and we are really close. The 2020 ones are still on the website. Sally thinks we to get together and plan how to help our bethels. We are going downhill fast and we really need to get together. Lyn agreed 100%- “we have meetings but we are being told what’s going on-we have no input. We bring suggestions, we serve on committees, and yet nothing ever happens. What is the point? Communication is a huge thing.” Dawn asked, “Do we want to meet?” Krista suggested the first part of May. Dawn will check with Uncle Matt on available dates in Pierre. Julia has been waiting to hear from Supreme for visits, etc. for her year-she doesn’t want to waste money if we can’t do anything. We also need to focus more on what we can do to keep the charter-not what happens if it goes to Supreme. It was decided to do competitions for grand this year virtual and to cancel Dawn’s reservations in Rapid City. Then if we can meet by then, maybe do just a day and evening, maybe a fancy dinner so the girls can get dressed up and a one night stay over-instead of a 4-day event. Doing things virtually is still doing things. Krista said, “We cannot do things as we’ve always done them but we can do something!” A planning meeting was set for Monday, March 15th via zoom to brainstorm about how to put together all these virtual competitions, etc. she is hoping some girls join us also for their input.

Carla discussed reminding the bethels to get things together for a scrapbook for Joan’s year. Also she said Amelia would still like to put together the binder of songs, poems, favorite books, etc. for the girls. Please send any items, ideas, etc. to Carla, Ginny Kaus or Amelia.

Sunshine and Rain: Sally reported that her uncle passed away from Covid. Her sunshine was seeing all your faces! It was also reported that (sunshine) Carrie Bunkowske got her son and (rain) lost her dad Joe Lax who was a PAG. (Sunshine) Ginny’s baby girl Jenell made an appearance. Dawn is going to see her grandbaby in a few weeks. (Rain) Jen reported that Ben has been diagnosed with Parkinson’s and is in the VA hospital in Hot Springs. He is now sprung from his quarantine period and has been wandering the VA. Lyn experienced a similar thing and is SO thankful Ben has this great facility and all the doctors and staff. (Sunshine) Joann reported on Emily-she is a PHD candidate and will be the first Dr Coady. Baby Evie is growing and doing amazing! And Joann got her 1st Covid shot! Yay her!! 😊

Joann Coady led us in a closing prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 MST. Sally said, “Good job, Dawn!”