

GGC 45 Day Meeting – 7-22-23

Sioux Falls, SD Pending Approval

The meeting was called to order and Quorum established with 6 Bethels attending.

The Opening Prayer was given by Grand Chaplain Laura Brown.

The agenda was approved with additions to amend.

The meeting was paused to have everyone participate in a Team Building event given by Past Grand Guardian Toni Richardson. There was great participation and many revelations brought forward. Many thanks Toni!

Lunch was served and all given the opportunity to talk and continue to build community!

The meeting was reconvened, and Minutes of the previous meeting approved as distributed.

Communications included a letter from Supreme about plans for a new Insurance Plan first of 2024 and a new "Petition" now called an Application, form.

Reports from those not turned in previously were given. Glen Rice reported Grand Lodge will be providing a backpack to all new members.

Treasurers Report –

Sandy submitted her report showing checking balance \$12,437.18, one CD of \$5318.76 and investment balance of \$100,395.51, for total assets of \$118,151.45.

Bethel Reports –

Bethel #1 - The Bethel is regrouping. They participated in the Brookings Arts Festival, handing out crowns, coloring books and pamphlets. They are also doing videos on social media.

Bethel #3 - No report

Bethel #10 - 3 girls attended Grand along with one member receiving majority. They initiated 5 girls, have 2 prospects and starting a Jobie 2 Bee program. They are also trying the use of the Band app for communication.

Bethel #12 – The Bethel reported 2 active members and 1 dual member. They are dark for the summer but planning a Jobie Reunion for all people associated with the Bethel.

Bethel #21 – PGG Lily is at Garretson Nursing Home. Colleen Patmore reported the Bethel as being closed.

Bethel #38 – They reported 14 active girls with 9 attending Grand. They will lose 1 to majority. Installation will be August 20th at 3pm. They have a bonfire planned for July 29th.

Bethel #44 – They are planning to attend the Custer Parade with Bethel #12. They currently have 1 ½ members, 4 Prospects, with events every weekend.

Grand Guardian Krista is planning to submit a quarterly State Newsletter with news and upcoming events.

Unfinished Business –

Membership and Promotion Chair, Laura Brown, reported every girl who brings in a girl for membership by December 31st, 2023, will be able to pin Associate Grand Guardian, Matt Johnson, in the face at Grand. There was also a discussion about a proposed Passport Program. Information to be provided in future.

Grand Guardian Krista reported on the Fearlessly Kind Summits coming up. She handed out a sample format and information on what Summits would look like. Planning Sessions will be bi-weekly, and all Bethels should have a representative join in the zoom sessions. It is also important for Bethels to plan a Prospect event after the completion of each Summit to follow up with anyone interested.

New Business -

The Miss Job Pageant was discussed as scheduled for October 21st. Packets have been handed out to all the Bethels. It was discussed as to whether Bash is the best place to hold pageant or if a virtual pageant is something to consider.

The computers and information for audit have been given to Toni. New computers are still being investigated.

Supreme Amendments 1-30 have already been voted on. There was discussion about the additional amendments and how the state felt about each. Krista will be attending and voting.

A new Reimbursement Form is being created. Until then all requests must have the current Reimbursement Form, found on the State website, included with receipts for all spending.

All new Committee Chairs need to let Krista or Lyn know if there is any information/binders that they need.

Krista will be doing a quarterly e-newsletter starting August 1st. It will include announcements and information for the State. Information needs to be to Krista by the 25th of each month. Calendars will be updated on the State Band app.

Monthly Townhall Zoom Calls for Daughters and Adults the first Monday of each month starting August 7th. Topics could include J2B/Beehives, finances, fundraising, leadership, bylaw training, council training, and pageant. Any additional ideas please let Krista know.

License plate decals are being addressed. The Department of Revenue has redesigned the newest organization plates and decals must now be opaque to cover up the lettering on the decal location. We must redesign our decal. Krista would like to use the new logo. Lyn is working on gathering more information and getting them ordered.

Sunshine and Rain –

Joan Knutson has joined the Army.

Announcements –

Turn in to Lyn all new Media Release Forms.

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McNary Fundraiser September 16th in Vermillion, 2pm-9pm.

There was a motion and 2nd to send a HIKE donation for Kaylene's mother (a Past Grand Guardian of South Dakota).

It was agreed to add a Social Media Committee to acknowledge Birthdays, Bethel Institution Birthdays etc.

Rainbow Girls located in Seargeant Bluff have indicated an interest in attending some Bethel activities in South Dakota.

The closing prayer was given and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Lyn Neiman, PGG

Grand Secretary