



The Imperial Sovereign Gem Court of Idaho
"The Love & Light of the Gem" Reign

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BOARD MEETING :: 16 voting members

Members: Martini, Minerva, Craig, Tsunami, Frankee, Chuck, Glenn, Eddie, JJ, Marilyn, Percilla, Reba, Summer, Carmine, Seranitee, Doug

Guests: Viliam, Veronica, Shaun, Anne

Excused: none

President called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Secretary passed out minutes for approval at the end of the meeting.

Treasurer presented his report and discussed Coronation tickets and packets as available. Craig is trying to be as organized as possible. Coronation meeting will be 2 weeks from today at the Red Lion Café.

VP had no report.

Reign presented how Salvador from SF will be doing the set design made completely of balloons. The cost is very minimal and are only charging \$150 plus a weekend comp package for two.

Coronation Ballchair needs volunteers for working the door, security and set help.

Voting day coverage was reaffirmed and coordinated. Craig passed out a sign-up sheet for those willing to volunteer their time.

Craig announced that today is absentee ballot day for those who can't be at the voting booth during voting day.

Craig talked about the Screening Committee meeting and all went well.

Candidate Minerva announced that Shaun is to be considered Prince and no one for Princess, at this point. Craig said that Shaun is the current vote tally person and that there might be a conflict of interest. No one publically expressed concern, but did so privately after the meeting.

Martini spoke about the Scholarship Committee's meeting and presented their recommendations. 5 applications were submitted for consideration and all 5 would receive \$400 each, and the Committee requested that the Court also put \$500 into the endowment fund.

Motion to go into Executive Session by Minerva. 2 nd by Craig. <i>Motion Passed</i>		
YEA: 16	NAH: 0	ABSTAIN: 0

EXECUTIVE SESSION



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An issue with Vivica Valentino – newly-crowned Miss Gay Gem State 3 -- was brought to the attention of both the President and the Empress about her interaction with a family on the street and a couple of underage transgendered girls.

Craig motioned to remove Vivica from the title; Chuck 2 nd ; discussion ensued; MOTION RESCINDED since Vivica resigned from the title.		
YEA: --	NAH: --	ABSTAIN: --

Frankee needs some names for nomination to give to Nicole for giving out at Coronation. Frankee wants suggestions on to whom to give potential awards to. Discussion ensued.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Minerva; Chuck 2 nd . <i>MOTION PASSED</i>		
YEA: 16	NAH: 0	ABSTAIN: 0

COURT MEETING :: 26 voting members

In attendance: Martini, Minerva, Craig, Tsunami, Frankee, Chuck, Glenn, Eddie, JJ, Marilyn, Percilla, Reba, Summer, Carmine, Seranitee, Doug, Viliam, Veronica, Shaun, Anne, Roxy, Vivica, John, Tommy, Andrea, Morgan

Guests: Bridgette, Shamrock, Joe, Jeremiah

Frankee called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

Frankee did a formal, public apology to JJ, Scarlett and Marilyn.

Frankee asked for a moment of silence, for Brenda Starr.

First time guests: Joe Kibbe, interim President for Boise Pridefest.

Second time guests: none

Court Members of the Month: Summers Eve Douché and Viliam Elikh.
 Secretary gave out minutes for voting at the end of the meeting.

Treasurer gave his report.

Craig motions to transfer AIDSwalk funds into the Moore/Swett Funds; JJ 2 nd . <i>MOTION PASSED</i>		
YEA: 25	NAH: 0	ABSTAIN: 1

Craig motions to reimburse Eddie; Frankee 2 nd . <i>MOTION PASSED</i>		
YEA: 25	NAH: 0	ABSTAIN: 1



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Craig motions to reimburse Chuck; Percilla 2 nd . <i>MOTION PASSED</i>		
YEA: 24	NAH: 0	ABSTAIN: 2

Craig motions to reimburse Craig; Chuck 2 nd . <i>MOTION PASSED</i>		
YEA: 24	NAH: 0	ABSTAIN: 2

Frankee motions to approve report; Reba 2 nd . <i>MOTION PASSED</i>		
YEA: 25	NAH: 0	ABSTAIN: 1

Minerva gave out the Board report and updated the Court on the Board meeting.

Seranitee gave out the Under 30 Council report and said that the Coronation day meeting will held indoors since Nicole wants to be in attendance.

JJ gave out his website report: all up to date.

Jeremiah mentioned about the 3rd Annual AIDS Walk.

Joe talked about Boise Pridefest. The committee is going through a transition right now but working towards the 2018 Pridefest.

Frankee talked about previous events and Coronations.

Craig continued the ByLaw Committee recommendations started at the June meeting. (see attached document).

Discussion ensued in regards to the proposed Article X updates.

Craig motioned that the At-Large members not be allowed from the College of Monarchs, in regards to the Bylaw Proposed Amendment restricting the Board; Reba 2 nd . <i>MOTION PASSED</i>		
YEA: 23	NAH: 3	ABSTAIN: 0

Veronica questioned the proposed change to section 18 and making P/P a 12-month membership prior to application requirement. Discussion ensued.

Craig motioned to vote on the proposed changes to section 18. Reba 2 nd . <i>MOTION PASSED</i>		
YEA: 24	NAH: 2	ABSTAIN: 0

Carmine has an issue with the combination of the Moore/Swett Funds proposal. Discussion ensued.



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Craig motioned to table section 14 until Aug meeting; Reba 2nd. *MOTION PASSED*

YEA: 26

NAH: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

Craig motions for a vote on all Bylaw Amendments proposed, except as noted above; Reba 2nd. *MOTION PASSED*

YEA: 26

NAH: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

The E/E Candidates talked about their campaigning events coming up. Chuck doing jello shots on Saturday at the Dog.

Frankee motions for flowers from Dakota Fund in \$50; Martini suggests to approve but hold off until things are more final; Tsunami 2nd. *MOTION PASSED*

YEA: 26

NAH: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

Frankee announced upcoming events.

Community reports were given.

Next meeting is 2 weeks from today at the Red Lion Café; it's all Coronation related.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm



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THE CONSTITUTION OF THE IMPERIAL SOVEREIGN GEM COURT

Adopted changes for 2017-2018

The word **past** as it pertains to Monarchs has been changed to **previous** in all sections. This is assumed to be accepted. The term **reigning** has been inserted in this document as a means of clarifying the current and reigning Monarchs. This is assumed to be accepted.

~~Red crossed-out words~~ are stricken words. Red underlined words are added words.

Sections will be renumbered after adoption of the changes.

There are 3 major changes. 1) The Jerry Swett and the Jimmy Moore funds are combined into one fund. 2) There is a restructuring of the Board of Directors and how the Board members are elected. 3) Elimination of dues.

ARTICLE I - BY-LAWS

1.2 The documents titled as The Articles of Incorporation and ~~The By-Laws~~ The Constitution of The Imperial Sovereign Gem Court shall be used for obtaining IRS 501c3 status and for the purpose of Incorporation with the State of Idaho. The Constitution of The Imperial Sovereign Gem Court will not be replaced by these documents by any means, words, and phrases either now or at any time.

ARTICLE II - NAME, SYMBOLS AND COLORS

2.2 The symbol of The Imperial Sovereign Gem Court shall be the crowned diamond-gem.

ARTICLE III – PURPOSE AND MISSION

3.1 The Imperial Sovereign Gem Court shall provide a social and charitable organization for its members and for charitable organizations as determined by its membership. It shall not be a party to candidates for political office or any partisan political organization; ~~this, which~~ which does not include human rights issues. It shall fulfill its purpose in the spirit of fun and unity.

ARTICLE IV - COURT MEMBERSHIP

General rules

4.1 Membership in The Imperial Sovereign Gem Court shall be open to all persons without regard to race, creed, sex, religion, sexual orientation or handicap. ~~You must be sponsored by a Court member in good standing or be recognized by the Heads of State or Secretary.~~ In order to observe any Court meeting, you must be recognized by the Reigning Heads of State or the Secretary.

4.4 ~~Membership in the Imperial Sovereign Gem Court shall require payment of five dollars (\$5.00) annual dues to be considered members in good standing, regardless of when the members join the Court. There shall be no proration of dues. Dues shall be paid no later than at the next Court meeting after acceptance by the General Court of their membership. Membership dues expire at the close of the Annual Meeting. The payment of membership dues shall be a requirement for participation in the Court Walk at any Coronation except that all past Emperors, Empresses, Crown Princes and Crown Princesses shall have the right to walk at any Coronation. This section shall apply to and is mandatory for holding a position, either elected or appointed, in the Imperial Sovereign Gem Court as follows: to the Board of Directors as outlined in Article X herein, to the Monarchs reigning Emperor and/or Empress as outlined in Article VIII herein, to Court Officers as outlined in Article V herein, to Board of Director Members as outlined in Article X herein, to Board of Directors Officers as outlined in Article X herein, and to Screening Committee Members as outlined in Article X and XVIII herein. Membership dues are not required by past previous ISGCI Emperors, Empresses, Crown Princes and Crown Princesses as a part of their membership is, upon successful completion of their reign, held in perpetuity and who shall have all rights and privileges to serve in any position, elective or appointed, within the Imperial Sovereign Gem Court.~~

4.6 All previous ISGCI Emperors, Empresses, Crown Princes and Crown Princesses who complete their reign in good standing shall be considered members in perpetuity. Notwithstanding this stated provision, any member of the Imperial Sovereign Gem Court who shall become a member of another court, accept elected or appointed position within said court or be elected, as an Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince (or equivalent rank) or Crown Princess (or equivalent rank) in said court shall forfeit his/her membership within the Imperial Sovereign Gem Court. This provision shall not include honorary titles, emeritus titles or ambassadorships granted by other courts to members of the Imperial Sovereign Gem



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Court. (See also Section 4.7) All previous ISGCI Emperors, Empresses, Crown Princes and Crown Princesses shall be allowed to participate in the Coronation Crowning Ceremony, even if said persons are members of another recognized Court.



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- 4.7 Only members "in good standing" shall be entitled to vote at meetings. No member may vote by proxy at any meeting of the general membership. Each member shall have one (1) vote at all meetings at which voting shall take place. The term "in good standing" shall mean that the member of the General Court shall not miss three (3) consecutive meetings without a valid excuse (work, Court related activity, illness or other extending circumstances as approved by the Board of Directors), given to the Board Secretary for entry into the monthly minutes Reigning Emperor or Empress. To become a member "in good standing" again requires that the person attend two (2) consecutive meetings, after the close and at the beginning of the second meeting he/she will be considered again a member "in good standing". The term "in good standing" shall not mean that a member need only attend two (2) meetings within a six-month period prior to the meeting of the Screening Committee to be eligible to run for any of the elected ~~Monarch~~ positions, but rather must be "in good standing" at the beginning of the six-month annual period and must stay "in good standing" to be eligible.

[PROCLAMATION 38.1 Other than resignation, revocation of membership, moving out of state, or subsequently becoming a member of another court, accept elected or appointed position within said court or be elected, as an Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince (or equivalent rank) or Crown Princess (or equivalent rank) in said court, all past Emperors, Empresses, Crown Princes and Crown Princesses who complete their reign in good standing shall be considered members in perpetuity. All past Emperors and all past Empresses who complete their reign in good standing shall be automatic members of the Board of Directors and of the College of Monarchs. There shall be no minimum of meetings attended as a requirement for voting privileges within the Board of Directors or the College of Monarchs.]

Honorary Members with their Protocol

- 4.8 Honorary membership may be held by individuals residing in or out of the State of Idaho. The reigning Emperor and Empress together shall have the authority to bestow honorary memberships. Granting such memberships does not convey any privilege or status of regular Court membership other than listed herein this Section.
1. No State Crown, Tiara or Medallion shall be provided.
 2. Crowns, Tiaras or Medallions may be worn if they meet the criteria as set forth elsewhere in this Constitution, and if specified only by the Emperor and Empress who granted the title.
 3. Persons granted an honorary title of Emeritus, For Life, or/and ½ shall be an automatic member of the Board of Directors. The title of Emeritus shall only be given to a past or current Emperor or Empress. Emperor Emeritus and Empress Emeritus and ½ titles shall be allowed to vote for the Imperial Sovereign Gem Court Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince and Crown Princess.
 4. Persons granted an honorary title of Emeritus, For Life, or/and ½ shall walk immediately before the Elected Crown Prince and Elected Crown Princess in any ISGCI Court walk.
 5. Persons granted an honorary title of Emeritus, For Life, or/and ½ shall be a part of the Crowning Ceremony at all ISGCI Coronations.
 6. Persons granted an honorary title of Emeritus, For Life, or/and ½ shall not be allowed to grant to any other person any title within the ISGCI.
 7. The granting of the title of "Citizen of the Court for Life" to a non-member of the Court. That person may be a resident from Idaho, from another state or from another Court. "Citizen of the Court for Life" shall be allowed to walk as a part of any I.S.G.C.B.I. Court Walk, whether at any I.S.G.C.B.I. function or at any Out of State Coronation. "Citizen of the Court for Life" shall not be allowed to participate in the Coronation Ceremony of the I.S.G.C.B.I. Citizens of the Court for Life shall be allowed to vote for the Imperial Sovereign Gem Court Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince and Crown Princess.
 8. Voting ~~for Monarchs~~ shall be as set forth in Section 18.33 of this Constitution.

New Members

- 4.9 New members may be admitted to The Imperial Sovereign Gem Court upon attendance of two (2) consecutive regular meetings of the membership prior to submitting an oral and/or written membership application, with said application having approval of two-thirds (2/3) of the membership. Applications shall be considered at the end beginning of each regular meeting of the membership. While voting is taking place, the potential member shall leave the room. The potential member shall be notified in writing of the decision within seven (7) days of the meeting, or the new members may be notified at the regular meeting whereat their membership application has been voted.

Resignation, Termination and Leave of Absences



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- 4.10 Any member may resign at any time by hand delivering, mailing or e-mailing to a member of the Board of Directors a written notice of resignation, effective upon receipt by said Board member. Any resignation shall be in a formal letter that includes the date, name to whom it is addressed, the reason for the resignation, and the person's signature. Resignations by announcement in social media or other electronic written format shall be considered as a valid resignation. The letter of resignation shall be placed within the Secretary's Binder upon acceptance. Under no circumstance shall a verbal



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resignation be accepted.

- 4.11 Members of The Imperial Sovereign Gem Court who do not attend three (3) consecutive meetings without a valid excuse (work, Court related activity, illness or other extending circumstances as approved by the Board of Directors), given to the Emperor or Empress and to the Board Secretary for listing in the monthly minutes, shall forfeit their active membership. A member is reinstated as an active member at the completion of attendance at two (2) consecutive General Court meetings. Members are considered as members of the court for life unless by resignation, suspension, or revocation. (See also Section 4.7)

Discipline

- 4.13 Discipline by the General Court is as described herein this Constitution shall be found under the Board of Directors, Discipline section.

ARTICLE V - COURT OFFICERS

- 5.1 Officers of the Court other than the reigning Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince and Crown Princess, shall include both elected and appointed officers. All Court officers shall be subject to the pertinent provisions stated herein. All Court officers shall be elected or appointed at the first regular meeting of the membership immediately following the annual Coronation. Should any Court Officer not fulfill any of his/her duties, they shall automatically be considered in default of their duties, ~~with~~ suspension procedures to begin immediately. All Court officers, at the first meeting immediately following the annual Coronation, must turn in all records, supplies and equipment over to their respective successors. All Court Officers who resign or are expelled shall return all Court property, supplies and equipment to the Board of Directors at the first regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors after said resignation or expulsion.
- 5.2 Board of Directors shall be elected as listed-outlined in Article X of this Constitution.
- 5.3 The Treasurer of the Court shall also be known as the Treasurer of the Board of Directors. The duties of the Treasurer of the Board of Directors shall be a are specified in Article X of this Constitution.
- 5.4 The Secretary of the Court shall also be the Secretary of the Board of Directors. The duties of the Secretary of the Court shall be:
- To maintain in good, legible order all minutes of the Court, which shall be stored with the Financial Records of the Court,
 - To present all correspondence to the Court and answer the same, unless otherwise directed by the President,
 - To maintain an accurate record of members and provide said record to the Board of Directors quarterly,
 - To post or send a notice of regular and special meetings to the membership of the Court in good standing or designate another person for this responsibility,
 - To maintain a mailing list of other affiliated clubs, organizations and individuals in and out of town,
 - To conduct the roll call at the start of each Court meeting, with all ~~attendees'~~ attendance records to be included in the minutes; said roll call can be either verbal, in writing or silent. It is the responsibility of each member to verify their attendance is justly recorded in the monthly minutes, and
 - To perform other appropriate duties as assigned by the membership or stated herein this Constitution.
- 5.6 Keeper of the Lights and Props shall be appointed by the Emperor and Empress. The duties of the Keeper of the Lights and Props shall be:
- To assist with props and lights at all Court functions except Coronation,
 - To act as advisor for such functions when possible,
 - To be responsible for securing people to run the spot light(s) at Court functions, and
 - Shall be responsible to ensure that no person or persons running the spot lights has taken alcoholic beverages immediately prior to or during the Court function.
 - The Monarchs and the Keeper of the Lights and Props shall return all Court Property at the end of the function.
- 5.8 The Constitutional Adviser/Lord or Lady Constable shall be appointed by the reigning Emperor and Empress to serve as Parliamentarian to the Court. The duties of the Constitutional Adviser shall be:
- To provide parliamentarian advice at regular and special meetings when requested by the reigning Heads of State,



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- b) To ensure that fidelity to the Constitution and Proclamations of The Imperial Sovereign Gem Court and "Robert's Rules of Order, Revised" is maintained at all regular and special meetings of the Court,
- c) To maintain in good order and revise when necessary the Constitution of the Imperial Sovereign Gem Court,
- d) To be an ex-officio member of The Imperial Sovereign Gem Court, and
- e) To perform other appropriate duties as assigned by the membership or stated herein this Constitution.



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- 5.9 The Minister of Protocol shall be appointed by the reigning Emperor and Empress to serve as final arbitrator on all matters of protocol. The duties of the Minister of Protocol shall be:
- To keep a record of all appointed and elected titles during the reign of the Heads of State he/she serves,
 - To prepare and collect protocol cards and protocol lists for all Court functions,
 - To serve as Master of Ceremonies when designated by the reigning Heads of State,
 - To determine protocol questions,
 - To recommend changes in protocol policy,
 - To perform other appropriate duties as assigned by the membership or stated herein this Constitution, and
 - g) Except for** the Jimmy Moore-Jerry Swett Administrators **who** shall each prepare their own posters / advertisements for their events, the Reigning Emperor and Empress shall designate a person or persons to do individual posters/advertisements for their various events.

~~5.11 ISGC Member of the International Court Parliament/Court Conference~~

- ~~1. The regular term of office for the Member of Parliament/Court Conference will be two (2) years.~~
- ~~2. One member to Parliament/Court Conference is to be elected with an alternate to be elected who would fulfill all parliamentary responsibilities if the elected member was unable to fulfill them.~~
- ~~3. The position of Member of Parliament/Court Conference is open to all members of the Imperial Sovereign Gem Court considered in good standing, with a 2 year minimum involvement in the Imperial Sovereign Gem Court. The Member and the Alternate Member must maintain their membership in the Imperial Sovereign Gem Court in good standing while serving in these positions. The Member and the Alternate Member may also be a member of another LGBT Organization with the approval of the Board of Directors.~~
- ~~4. The position shall be elected by all members of Imperial Sovereign Gem Court in good standing. The regular election shall take place at the June meeting of the Imperial Sovereign Gem Court on every even year. Vacancies in the position shall be held as they may arise, with the term of office to expire on the next Annual August re-organization meeting of the Imperial Sovereign Gem Court plus one year.~~
- ~~5. The Board of Directors will oversee the election of the position(s).~~
- ~~6. Further qualifications is that each member elected must want to work for the betterment of the organization, can fairly and honestly represent the Imperial Sovereign Gem Court and is willing to give the time needed, whether in committee or by travel. It does not matter what other position or title the elected Member of Parliament/Court Conference has within the Imperial Sovereign Gem Court, just that the Member care and is willing to give their time and energy.~~
- ~~7. A budget of \$300 at the beginning of each Court year is authorized with a transfer from the General Fund. Further reimbursement for travel expenses shall only be as authorized by the Board of Directors and approved by the General Court membership.~~
- ~~8. The Member and the Alternate Member of the Parliament/Court Conference are subject to the any disciplinary act as enumerated in Article X of this Constitution, and as enumerated in the Constitution and By Laws of the International Courts Council.~~

5.12 ISGC Member of the International Court Council

- The regular term of office for the Member of the International Court Council will be one (1) year.
- One member to the International Court Council ~~is to~~ can be elected.
- The position of the Member of the International Court Council is open to all **current and past** members of the College of Monarchs of the Imperial Sovereign Gem Court considered "in good standing," with a 1-year minimum involvement in the Imperial Sovereign Gem Court. The Member must maintain their membership in the Imperial Sovereign Gem Court in good standing while serving in this position. The Member may also be a member of another LGBT Organization with the approval of the Board of Directors.
- The position shall be elected by the College of Monarchs of the Imperial Sovereign Gem. The regular election shall take place prior to the November meeting of the Imperial Sovereign Gem Court on each year, with the actual term of office beginning on January 1 of the next year. All potential members of the International Court Council shall be approved and installed according to the current by-laws of the International Court Council. Vacancies in the position shall be filled as they may arise, with the term of office to expire at the end of the term of the original elected Member of the International Court Council.
- The College of Monarchs will oversee the election and any subsequent vacancy which may arise in that position.
- Further qualifications is that each member elected must want to work for the betterment of the organization, can fairly



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and honestly represent the Imperial Sovereign Gem Court and is willing to give the time needed, whether in committee or by travel.

7. The Member of the International Court Council is subject to the any disciplinary act as enumerated in Article X of this Constitution, and as enumerated in the Constitution and By-Laws of the International Courts Council.

ARTICLE VII - COURT MEETINGS



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Time and Place

- 7.1 Meetings of The Imperial Sovereign Gem Court shall be held on the first Monday of each month, with members to be notified ~~by telephone or~~ in writing a minimum of one (1) week in advance of said meeting. Notice may be given at the preceding meeting or by notice in the local bars and/or organizations. A second Court meeting shall be held in the month preceding the annual Coronation at the call of the reigning Emperor and/or Empress to deal with Coronation issues and other agenda items at the discretion of the reigning Emperor and Empress.
- 7.2 In the event a national holiday ~~falls-occurs~~ on the first Monday, the meeting shall be determined by the Emperor and Empress and is to be held within the first two (2) weeks of the month.
- 7.3 Special meetings may be called at any time by the reigning Emperor and Empress or upon two-thirds (2/3) or more of the voting members. Notice of all special meetings shall be given forty-eight (48) hours in advance ~~either by telephone~~, in writing, or by electronic communication, stating the time, place and general purpose thereof.

Quorum

- 7.6 A Quorum shall consist of 10% of the membership of the Court in good standing present, including at least ~~one (1)~~two (2) members of the Board of Directors.

Voting and decorum

- 7.9 Only members in good standing shall be entitled to vote at meetings. No member may vote by proxy at any meeting of the general membership. Each member shall have one (1) vote at all meetings at which voting shall take place. Important votes, including voting for officers, administrators, financial decisions, disciplinary decisions, or amendments and Proclamations shall be by written ballot.
- 7.10.1 A record of actions taken at each meeting of the Court shall be kept in the form of written minutes. Written copies of previous minutes of each Court meeting shall be provided to members upon written request, in advance, to the elected Secretary of the Court. Otherwise, minutes from the preceding meeting shall be read by the membership and approved at the following meeting. A copy of the Court minutes shall be archived with the Financial Report in the Secretary's Reign Binder.

ARTICLE VIII – ~~MONARCHS~~ REIGN ADMINISTRATION

~~Monarchs~~ Titleholders of the Reign

- 8.1 Monarchs are herein defined as the Emperors and the Empresses of the College of Monarchs. The Heads of State of The Court are the reigning Emperor and Empress.
- 8.2 The Royal Family shall consist of the reigning Emperor, the Empress, the reigning Crown Prince, the reigning Crown Princess, and others as dubbed at Investitures.
- 8.2.1 The remaining Court titleholders who shall make up the Court Reign may also include the Ambassadors, the Duke and the Duchess, the Prince Royale, the Princess Royale, the King Father to the Reign, the Queen Mother to the Reign, the reigning Mr. and Miss Gay Gem State, as well as the reigning Closet Ball King and Queen, as appropriate during the Reign.

College of Monarchs

- 8.3 The College of Monarchs shall consist of all previous Emperors and Empresses of the ISGCI, half-Emperors, half-Empresses, Emeritus Emperors and Emeritus Empresses. The College of Monarchs shall meet on a quarterly basis at a time and place as they so determine to discuss any issue brought forth to the College. The meeting shall be chaired by the Dean of the College of Monarchs who shall be elected from the members of the College of Monarchs. This meeting shall be a closed meeting.

[PROCLAMATION 15.4: A College of Monarchs Committee will be organized by volunteer and/or election. This Committee will consist of one each: past Emperor, past Empress, past Crown Prince and past Crown Princess. They will be an advisory group to the Royal Family to assist in Court affairs and will meet one (1) week prior to



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the monthly meetings as needed.]

College of Princes and Princesses

8.4 The College of Princes and Princesses shall consist of all previous Crown Princes and Crown Princesses of the ISGCI.

Monarch Coronation Gifts



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- 8.11 Each Emperor and Empress who successfully steps down shall receive either a state ring **or funds to purchase a Crown**. The metal content and design of the ring shall be consistent and standard to all reigns and may not exceed ~~\$200.00~~ **\$250.00**, or they shall receive ~~\$200.00-\$250.00~~ toward the purchase of a crown of that Monarch's choosing. Prior Monarchs who have received a Crown, Tiara, or Shoulder Crown shall have the opportunity to purchase a state ring at their own expense. In addition to the above-mentioned ring, an etched Glass Goblet or Vase bearing the name and title of the individual will be given to the Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince and Crown Princess of The Imperial Sovereign Gem Court as a step-down gift.
- 8.12 The standard step down gift from The Imperial Sovereign Gem Court to out of state Emperors and Empresses at their stepping down shall be as set forth by the current reigning Royal Family, not to exceed ~~\$30.00~~ **\$40.00** per gift, plus applicable tax.

8.14 The King Father to the Reign and the Queen Mother to the Reign shall both be chosen from a member of the College of Monarchs.

- 8.16 The Titles of Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince, Crown Princess, and titles as given by Proclamation are deemed as the only permanent titles within ~~our Court~~ the ISGCI, unless the title is either resigned or revoked.

ARTICLE IX - AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE REIGNING MONARCHS

Current Reign Titleholders

- 9.5 ~~The reigning Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince and Crown Princess will adhere to and follow the Constitution of The Imperial Sovereign Gem Court. By no later than the first meeting following the titles 'elevation', the Titleholder will be required to sign and turn in an acknowledgement of their having completely read and agreed to uphold/adhere to the ISGCI Constitution.~~
- 9.6 ~~In the spirit of unity,~~ **No** Reigning Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince, Crown Princess, President of the Board of Directors or the Registrar of Elections shall campaign for any individual running for elective title sponsored by the Court. Except when an individual has an active opponent on the ballot for the same position, no candidate for Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince and Crown Princess shall campaign against any individual candidate running for elective title sponsored by the Court. A past Head of State shall have the same privilege as any other Court member and shall not be barred from actively campaigning for person(s) running for elective office sponsored by the Court.

Reigning Emperor and Empress

- 9.9 The Emperor and Empress shall be limited to a total of six (6) Proclamations during their Reign. This limitation shall not include Lifetime Titles. The Board of Directors may, at their discretion, change the number of Proclamations that may be issued during the Reign. No Proclamation shall institute a direct bylaw change without following standard Bylaw Amendment procedures and membership vote as outlined in Article XXII.
- 9.13 Titles may be given by the reigning Emperor and Empress by Proclamation. This would include **Emeritus**, Perpetua ~~and~~, For Life titles, and ½ titles.
- 9.14 The reigning Emperor and Empress shall each dub up to two (2) ~~each~~ ambassadors **each**. Ambassadors shall represent the Emperor and Empress at all Court shows and functions when the Emperor and Empress are scheduled to not be in attendance. There shall be no limit on the types of titles and honors the reigning Emperor and Empress shall confer on the Court members.
- 9.17 Obligations of the reigning Emperor and Empress, other than Hospitality for the next Reign and the fundraiser event listed in Section 17.1, must be met by the time that the Screening Committee meets.
- 9.20 A maximum of three (3) free tickets to Coronation will be given each to the Reigning Emperor, to the Reigning Empress, to the Reigning Crown Prince and to the Reigning Crown Princess. If a Reigning Monarch position is vacant, the three (3) assigned free Coronation tickets shall not be given out by any other Reigning Monarch. The Reigning Monarchs must submit their list to the Board of Directors for its approval at the first Board of Directors Meeting in July prior to



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Coronation. In addition to the 12 Complimentary tickets herein enumerated, all Scholarship recipients will receive a complimentary ticket to Coronation, as set forth in elsewhere herein this Constitution. Honorary free tickets to Coronation may be given with the approval of the Board of Directors.

Crown Prince and Crown Princess

9.27 ~~The reigning Crown Prince and Crown Princess will each attend at least three (3) Out of Town Coronations Prince and~~



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Princess Ball during their reign. The reigning Crown Prince and Crown Princess will attend one (1) Coronation, one (1) Prince and Princess Ball, and two (2) additional events of their choice, either a Coronation or a Prince and Princess Ball, for a total of four (4) events. All events must be separate, that is, attendance at a Prince and Princess Ball held at the same time as a Coronation shall count as only one event requirement.

Mr. and Miss Gay Gem State

- 9.28 The current Mr. Gay Gem State and Miss Gay Gem State will need to attend at least 50% of all ISGCI Community meetings.
- 9.29 The current Mr. Gay Gem State and Miss Gay Gem State must hold at least three (3) functions to benefit the ISGCI General Fund. Helping with coronation sales of Jell-O shots, raffles, ect., will not count
- 9.30 The current Mr. Gay Gem State and Miss Gay Gem State will be responsible for the up-keep of the 'regalia' in which they were 'crowned' upon winning their respective title.
- 9.31 The current Mr. Gay Gem State and Miss Gay Gem State will help assist the ISGCI with all shows, events and functions during their 'year of service'.
- 9.32 The current Mr. Gay Gem State and Miss Gay Gem State will maintain residency within the State of Idaho during their 'year of service'.
- 9.33 The current Mr. Gay Gem State and Miss Gay Gem State will work in conjunction with the ISGCI Pageant Chair/Committee for the planning of the annual "Mr. and Miss Gay Gem State Pageant" at the end of their 'year of service'.

ARTICLE X - THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Executive Board of Directors

- 10.1 The Executive Board of The Imperial Sovereign Gem Court shall consist of the following members: President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The Board of Directors shall serve for a one year term. The Board of Directors shall be elected from members of the Imperial Sovereign Gem Court in good standing at the first court meeting following Coronation.

[PROCLAMATION 35.5: No person may run for, seek, and accept the office of Emperor, Empress, Prince or Princess unless he or she shall have been a member in good standing for at least one (1) calendar year prior to the closing of the candidate filing, that date being the first Monday in June. No person may run for, seek, and accept the office of Board Member or any Board Officer unless he or she shall have been a member in good standing for at least one (1) year prior to the Annual Meeting of the ISGCI, that date being the first Monday in August.]

Board of Director Officers

- 10.2 The duties and responsibilities of the Board of Directors shall be as stated herein this Constitution. All Members of the Board of Directors shall be required to sign a Confidentiality Agreement at the beginning of each Reign prior to beginning seated.
- 10.3 All Board of Directors officers shall be elected by majority vote of the General Court members in good standing following at the first General Court meeting immediately following the annual Coronation. The Secretary does not have to be a member of the Board of Directors, but if the person elected as Secretary of the Board of Directors/Court Secretary is not a current member of the Board of Directors, then that person shall automatically fill one of the three (3) elected members at large and shall each be elected to serve a one (1) year term. The President of the Board of Directors, the Vice President of the Board of Directors, and the Treasurer of the Board of Directors must be either a permanent member of the Board of Directors or a member of the Board of Directors during the previous Reign at the time of their election, as defined in Sections 10.13 and 10.14 of this Constitution.



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- 10.9 The duties of the Secretary of the Board of Directors shall be:
- a) To maintain in good order and in secret the complete records of all Board of Directors meetings,
 - b) To prepare all documents and correspondence of the President of the Board of Directors, unless otherwise directed by the Board of Directors, and
 - c) To perform other appropriate duties as assigned by the membership or stated herein this Constitution.



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- 10.10 The Treasurer of the Court shall be the Treasurer of the Board of the Directors. The duties of the Treasurer of the Board of Directors shall be:
- To maintain in good order all financial reports of the Court,
 - To provide a financial report at each Court meeting, or as an alternate to the monthly reports,
 - To provide quarterly, a written financial statement to the Board of Directors,
 - To be one of three (3) authorized signers of the Court checks,
 - To perform other appropriate duties as assigned by the membership or stated herein this Constitution.
 - [Proclamation 21.3: From this day forward, the office of Treasurer for the ISGC shall be a bonded position. The person who becomes Treasurer shall be bondable.]**
 - All references made herein to the Treasurer shall mean the Treasurer of the Court, and
 - To present within 24 hours of the call of the Audit Committee all records of financial transactions within the Court calendar year.

Board of Directors-Membership - General

- 10.11 All members of the Board of Directors shall be members in good standing of The Imperial Sovereign Gem Court.
- 10.13 The Board of Directors of The Imperial Sovereign Gem-Court shall consist of the reigning Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince, Crown Princess, ~~the immediate past Crown Prince and Crown Princess, three (3) representatives from (and by) The College of Monarchs and three (3) at-large members from the Community "at-large". six (6) elected members at-large, the Queen Mother Suprema in Perpetua and the King Father Suprema in Perpetua, The Governor(s) Generals of the Provinces, and, as ex-officio members of the Board, all past Emperors and Empresses.~~ All Board of Directors' members must be residents of the State of Idaho. ~~Emeritus Emperors, Emeritus Empresses, half Emperors and half Empresses who reside within Idaho shall be members of the Board of Directors.~~
- [PROCLAMATION 38.1: Other than resignation, revocation of membership, moving out of state and subsequently becoming a member of another court, accept elected or appointed position within said court or be elected, as an Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince (or equivalent rank) or Crown Princess (or equivalent rank) in said court, all past Emperors, Empresses, Crown Princes and Crown Princesses who complete their reign in good standing shall be considered members in perpetuity. All past Emperors and all past Empresses who complete their reign in good standing shall be automatic members of the Board of Directors and of the College of Monarchs. There shall be no minimum of meetings attended as a requirement for voting privileges within the Board of Directors or the College of Monarchs. All wording in sections in the ISGCBI Constitution to the contrary of this Proclamation are considered to be null and void].**
- 10.14 ~~Six (6) Three (3) elected members at-large shall each be elected to serve two (2) year terms a one (1) year term. The elections shall be such that each year only three (3) members at-large shall be elected; this shall provide two (2) sets of rotating terms.~~ The at-large members shall be elected by the Community at the same election of the Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince and Crown Princess, by the Court members at the first meeting following the annual Coronation. The at-large members may not be a Member of the College of Monarchs Should a member of the Court who is not already a member of the Board of Directors be elected as Court Secretary/Secretary of the Board of Directors, that person shall automatically assume one of the three (3) members at large to the Board of Directors positions for a period of one (1) year, the term coinciding with the length of term for the Court Secretary/Secretary of the Board of Directors.

Board of Directors Meetings - General

- 10.15 Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held prior to regular Court meetings, with members to be notified in writing at least one (1) week in advance.
- 10.17 Notice of all special Board of Directors meetings shall be given at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance, ~~either by telephone,~~ in writing, or by electronic communication, stating the time, place and general purpose thereof. Those except that notice of all special Board of Directors meetings dealing with disciplinary action shall be given at least fifteen (15) days in advance, ~~either by telephone,~~ in writing, or by electronic communication, stating the time, place and general purpose thereof.



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- 10.18 A record of actions taken of each meeting of the Board of Directors will be kept in the form of minutes. Copies of previous minutes will be presented to the Board of Directors members upon advance request of each Board of Directors meeting. Otherwise, minutes from the preceding Board of Directors meeting will be read and approved at the following meeting by the Secretary of the Board.
- 10.20 All meetings of the Board of Directors will be open meetings-, except an Executive session may be called for in dealing



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with personnel and private matters and shall be a closed meeting with only the Executive Board members and invited guests.

Board of Directors Meetings - Quorum

- 10.22 ~~A quorum will consist of the following, present and in good standing :consist of four (4) of the reigning Emperor, Empress, Board President, Board Vice President, Board Secretary, Board Treasurer, two (2) of the six (6) elected Members At Large of the Board of Directors, and two (2) past Emperors or Empresses members of the College of Monarchs, present and in good standing.~~
- ~~Two (2) of the reigning Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince, Crown Princess.~~
 - ~~Two (2) of the Board President, Board Vice-President, Board Secretary, Board Treasurer.~~
 - ~~One of the three (3) elected Members-at-large of the Board of Directors, and~~
 - ~~One (1) of the members of the College of Monarchs elected to the Board of Directors.~~

Board of Directors Membership - Vacancies

- 10.23 All elected Members-At-Large of the Board of Directors who do not attend two (2) consecutive Board of Director meetings without a valid excuse (work, Court related activity, illness or other extending circumstances as approved by the Board of Directors) given to the reigning Emperor, Empress, Board Secretary or the President of the Board of Directors, shall forfeit their Board of Directors seat.
- 10.24 ~~In the event a past Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince or Crown Princess should vacate his/her seat on Board of Directors, the seat shall remain vacant.~~
- 10.25 ~~If an immediate past Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince or Crown Princess vacates his/her seat, this action shall have no effect on the title of said individual.~~
- 10.26 ~~If a past elected Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince or Crown Princess moves out of state without becoming a member of another Court their vote will be withheld until such time as the person in question attends one (1) meeting. The vote will be restored at the end of the meeting.~~
- 10.27 The reigning Emperor and Empress shall call new elections to fill vacancies of elected Members-At-Large on the Board of Directors that arise during their reign. The ~~new elections vacancy~~ shall be run in the same manner as members at large elections filled by a vote of the members of the Court present and in good standing at a regular or special Court meeting. The term period for the new member at-large shall be the same, ending on the same date as the original term.

Board of Director Membership - Discipline

- 10.28 Any member of the Board of Directors may be expelled, with just cause, from the Board of Directors upon majority approval of the Board of Directors members present and voting at a regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors. The expelled member shall be notified in writing not less than fifteen (15) days of the action taken.

Board of Directors Authority - General

- 10.30 The Board of Directors business is a private matter and Board of Directors members shall not discuss Board of Directors business with anyone outside of the ISGCI Board of Directors. The President of the Board of Directors shall report any business necessary to the General Court for discussion or action.
- 10.31 When questions arise concerning Court activities and functions, Court customs, policies and traditions or the Constitution, the Board of Directors shall be charged with making a final determination. The determination shall be made by the majority vote of the Board of Directors members at a regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors.
- 10.32 The ~~Board of Directors~~ College of Monarchs shall give their prior approval to a newly elected Crown Prince or Crown Princess filling a vacancy for Emperor or Empress, or their approval for College of Monarch members filling a vacancy as Regents, as outlined elsewhere in this Constitution.

Board of Directors Authority - Discipline



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- 10.37 Any member of the Court may bring charges against another member of the Court by specifying the name of the individual and the specific charges against that person in writing to one of the four (4) officers of the Board of Directors. Any and all charges against any member of the Court must be filed within sixty (60) days of the occurrence or it will not be heard before the Board of Directors. (Charges should be considered from the listing of stated offenses chart below).
- 10.46 The procedure for removing the reigning or previous Emperor, Empress, the Crown Prince or the Crown Princess ~~or past Emperors, Empresses, Crown Princes or Crown Princesses~~ shall generally be the same as that for members and other



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Court officers. When removal from office is being considered for the reigning Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince or Crown Princess, such a measure must carry a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Board of Directors in good standing, present and voting. The actions of the Board of Directors must be taken back to the Court for their approval. Final action on any charge shall require a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the General Court membership in good standing voting at a Court meeting dealing with the measure. The effective date for the censure, suspension or termination of membership shall be seven (7) calendar days from the action

- 10.49 Any member guilty of flagrant bad conduct, as deemed by the Board of Directors, may be suspended upon majority approval of the Board of Directors members in good standing present and voting at a regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors. Length and conditions of the suspension shall be determined by the members of the Board of Directors in good standing present and voting at a regular or special Board of Directors meeting. The suspended member shall be notified in writing given by first class or certified mail sent to the last address of the member shown on the corporation's records not less than fifteen (15) days of the action taken. Any member in question shall not have a vote on this issue. The General Court must approve of the recommendation of the Board of Directors in this measure by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the General Court membership in good standing voting at a Court meeting dealing with the measure. There shall be an opportunity for the member to be heard, orally or in writing, not less than seven (7) days before the effective date of the expulsion, suspension or termination by a person or persons authorized to decide that the proposed expulsion, termination or suspension not take place.
- 10.51 Expulsion from membership shall cause the individual to forfeit all rights of membership. The individual may solicit to rejoin the Court in the next reign but no sooner than six (6) months from the time of removal from membership, whichever is the latter. At this time, the Board of Directors shall meet to determine if the charges constitute sufficient grounds to continue to deny the individual the right of membership in the Court. Suspension of membership shall cause the individual to forfeit all rights of membership during the duration of the suspension, and any other conditions that the Board of Directors may deem appropriate. A previous or reigning Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince or Crown Princess placed on suspension shall not have a vote on the Board of Directors until said suspension has been resolved.
- 10.53 The President of the Board of Directors shall destroy all records of charges made, censures issued and removals from office no earlier than eighteen (18) months after the date of action.
- 10.55 In the event that a reigning or previous Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince or Crown Princess is removed from office, censored, or suspended, a permanent statement shall be recorded in the minutes of the Board of Directors stating that as a result of the procedure specified above, the Board of Directors and the General Court membership took action to remove him/her from office or title. A letter, either by electronic transmission or by first class mail, containing the above-required information from the Board of Directors shall also notify all other Courts.
- 10.57 Any individual Court member, officer, Board of Directors member or reigning or previous Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince or Crown Princess who has been removed or suspended from membership and/or office shall not use their Court title(s). Any individual Court member, officer, Board of Directors member or reigning or previous Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince or Crown Princess who has been suspended from membership and/or office shall not use their Court title(s) during the time of the suspension.

Board of Directors Authority - Financial

- 10.62 Board of Directors shall administer and be the trustees of the Memorial Scholarship, as outlined in Section 12.18. The Board will outline the Qualifications and Funding for the Scholarship.

[PROCLAMATION 9.1: The Imperial Gem Court of Idaho will commence and continue a Memorial Scholarship to be given to a gay Idaho student and will be based on academics and community service. The ~~Privy Council~~ Board of Directors will be the trustees. The Board will outline the Qualifications and Funding for the Scholarship.]

ARTICLE XI - THE PROVINCES

Idaho Residents as members of other Courts



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- 11.25 If a resident of the State of Idaho desires to become an active member of another Court while still residing within the State of Idaho and under the domain of the Imperial Sovereign Gem Court, the Board of Directors shall give their approval or denial on a case by case basis. Such approval or denial shall be given to the individual in writing and the final determination notice shall be stored in the Secretary's Records.



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ARTICLE XII - FINANCIAL

Financial - Coronation

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19.4 Projected income and projected expenses for all Imperial Sovereign Gem Court Events for the Reign shall be submitted by the reigning Emperor and Empress, ~~through the assistance of a Budget Committee comprised of the Emperor, Empress, Board President, Board Vice-President and Board Treasurer~~, to the Board of Directors and the General Court at the September Board of Directors meeting and the General Court meeting, including expenses for sets and supplies for all court functions and events during the reign, for all advertisement in the programs for out of state Coronations and Idaho based organizations, and for the annual Coronation events. If there is a vacancy in any one of the positions on the Budget Committee, the Board of Directors shall elect a person or persons to fill such vacancies.

Expenditures made over and above the approved budget per event without prior approval of the Board of Directors will be reimbursed to the Treasurer by the reigning Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince and Crown Princess or disciplinary action will be taken. The location for and details of the Coronation events shall be approved by Board of Directors prior to the signing of any contracts for these events. The requirement of receipts or programs shall serve as proof of expenditure.

Financial – Scholarship

12.18 **[PROCLAMATION 9.1: The Imperial Sovereign Gem Court of Boise, Idaho, will commence and continue a Memorial Scholarship to be given to a gay Idaho student and will be based on academics and community service. The Board of Directors will be the trustees. The Board will outline the Qualifications and Funding for the Scholarship.]**

[PROCLAMATION 37.4: This Scholarship fund shall be known as "The Ken Litz-Bixler Scholarship Fund":]

- a. The Board of Directors of The Imperial Sovereign Gem Court will be the trustees of the Memorial Scholarship. A Scholarship Committee consisting of six (6) elected members elected by the General Court Members at the Annual Court Meeting shall be established to oversee the ISGCBI Scholarship.
- b. Monies available for presentation by the I.S.G.C. to individuals herein defined may be collected in the following ways:
 - 1) ISGCBI fundraisers as hosted by the Scholarship Committee;
 - 2) ISGCBI Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund proceeds;
 - 3) Donations;
 - 4) Other means as determined and approved by the Board of Directors.
- c. All monies designated for the Memorial Scholarship shall be deposited into the ISGCBI Bank Account, but shall be dedicated funds for the Memorial Scholarship only.
- d. The ISGCBI Tom Woodward Scholarship Endowment Fund shall have its own dedicated fund within the ISGCBI Bank Account.
- e. Applications for the Memorial Scholarship shall be on forms as approved by the Scholarship Committee and shall include the statement that the Scholarship shall not be granted unless the applicant shall appear at the Coronation, the exception being an excuse as approved by the Board of Directors.
- f. Applications for the Memorial Scholarship shall be made available at all ISGCBI Court meetings, but shall be postmarked or delivered from June 1 to no later than June 25.
- g. Applications for the Memorial Scholarship shall be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee and approved by the Board of Directors within the following guidelines:
 - 1) Applicant must be an ~~gay-LGBTQ~~ Idaho student;
 - 2) Applicant must be currently enrolled or is seeking enrollment in a high school, college, university, trade school or other institution as approved by Board of Directors;
 - 3) Applicant must show proof of enrollment in said institution prior to his/her receipt of the Memorial Scholarship funds with the applicant's major field of interest or desired degree indicated;
 - 4) Application is based on academics and community service;
 - 5) Once received, Memorial Scholarship funds are the property of the recipient unless said recipient drops out of his school that semester, where upon all Memorial Scholarship funds shall be repaid to the I.S.G.C. Memorial Scholarship Fund.



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- 6) The Board of Directors, with the recommendations of the Scholarship Committee, shall approve or deny the Scholarship Applications at the first Board of Directors meeting in July of each year. The President of the Board of Directors shall notify by phone or by electronic means each approved applicant, without indicating the amount approved, that the applicant has received a Scholarship, and that the applicant must appear at the Coronation to receive the Scholarship. Should there be a problem or concern, the President of the Board of Directors shall relate this to the Board of Directors at the second Board of Directors meeting in July for further



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action.

- h. Board of Directors shall decide the number of Memorial Scholarships given each year and the amount of each Memorial Scholarship based on the following:
 - 1) The number of qualified applicants;
 - 2) Total funds available for distribution;
 - 3) Each Application is to be reviewed on the merits of the application as to the amount of Scholarship to be received and may be ranked;
- i. The Memorial Scholarship shall be a minimum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) and a maximum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per recipient each year. The total amount to be given out each reign shall not exceed \$2,500.00 unless otherwise approved by the Board of Directors.
- j. The names of the recipients of the Memorial Scholarship will be announced at the annual Coronation.
- k. No single person shall receive more than four (4) Imperial Sovereign Gem Court Scholarships throughout his or her academic career.
- l. All Scholarship recipients will receive a complimentary ticket to Coronation.

[PROCLAMATION 24.4: The Scholarship Endowment Fund of the Imperial Sovereign Gem Court of Boise, Idaho, shall be known as the Tom Woodward Scholarship Endowment Fund in recognition of his financial contributions to and support of the scholarship.]

Financial – Dedicated Funds

12.19 Dedicated Funds for I.S.G.C. shall include, but not be limited to the following Funds with their Constitutional Articles shown: Crown, Medallions and Robes Fund, Spotlight Maintenance and Storage Fund, Ken Litz-Bixler Scholarship Fund, Tom Woodward Scholarship Endowment Fund, Holiday Fund, Jerry Swett Fund, Jimmy Moore Fund, ~~Coronation Fund~~ the Prince & Princess' Pantry, Charities Encumbrances Fund, the Dakota fund, and the Travel Fund. Unless specified prior to the Court approved function that the proceeds or a portion of the proceeds shall go into a dedicated fund, all proceeds from an I.S.G.C. Production shall go into the Court general fund. Court functions and events approved, sanctioned and recognized by the Court that are advertised as such for the purpose of raising specified funds for the dedicated funds shall have all proceeds from said function placed into said dedicated funds. Once placed into a dedicated fund, those funds cannot be used for any other purpose without the approval of a majority vote of the general Court members present and voting at a regular or special meeting of the Court. Excluding the Jimmy Moore Fund, the Jerry Swett Fund & the Prince & Princess Pantry, all monies raised for any charity throughout the Court calendar year shall be held within the Court checking account and distributed at the annual Coronation. Any amount remaining in a fund at the end of a reign shall be carried over to the new reign to the same fund, with the exception of the Historian fund, which shall be replenished from the General fund up to the amount of \$100.00, the Emperor Travel Fund and the Empress Travel Fund, which each shall be replenished from the General Fund up to the amount of \$1,000.00 each, and the Crown Prince and Crown Princess Travel Fund, which shall each be replenished from the General fund up to the amount of \$200.00 each. All proceeds from I.S.G.C. Productions and fundraising events must be deposited, unless expressly allowed by the Board of Directors, directly into the applicable I.S.G.C. checking account within 4 (four) calendar days after the event.

Financial – The Prince & Princess Pantry

12.21.1 The reigning Crown Prince, Crown Princess, and the Board of Directors shall be responsible for establishing appropriate operating procedures and eligibility guidelines for the "Prince & Princess' Pantry".

Financial – Dakota Fund

12.22 [Proclamation 32.2The Dakota Relief Fund is to assist with final burial expenses and/or cards and/or flowers for sick or deceased family members of Court members. The Dakota Relief Fund will be a separate fund within the ISGC and will require General Court membership approval for the dispersal of funds. Emergency expenditures may be made on a case by case basis with the approval of the administrators but subsequent approval by the General Court membership is still required.

The Dakota Relief Fund will be administered by one member of the following organizations, which shall also help to raise money for the fund: ISGC, a.l.p.h.a., The Tree Fund, Interfaith Sanctuary, and others as the administrators



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~~feel necessary or as other organizations desire to become part of the Dakota Relief Fund. The ISGC administrator to the Dakota Relief Fund shall be appointed by the Reigning Emperor and Empress each year at the August Annual reorganization meeting.~~

~~All administrator organizations commit to raising at least \$200 per year for the fund.]~~



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Court Property – Promissory Notes

16.8 Candidates and Regents for Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince and Crown Princess shall be required to sign a promissory note requiring each to pay for any damage done to or loss or theft of court property, including crowns, tiaras, medallions, scepters and robes, while in town or out of town. The Promissory Note shall also require the repayment of Travel Funds should the applicant not complete their reign, as state herein this Constitution. The Application for Candidates may serve as this Promissory Note, when designed acknowledgement of said Bylaws are testified as being read and to be adhered to on said application.

ARTICLE XVII - IMPERIAL SOVEREIGN GEM COURT EVENTS

Court Events – Pre-Approved

- 17.1 Annual, pre-approved and required Imperial Sovereign Gem Court Productions include:
- INVESTITURES, hosted by the reigning Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince and Crown Princess, within forty-five (45) days immediately following Coronation, with proceeds going into the General Fund.
 - The Jo Laib, Idaho State School and Hospital, CHRISTMAS SHOW, hosted by the reigning Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince and Crown Princess, with proceeds going into the Holiday Fund.
 - **[PROCLAMATION 28.4: WOMEN’S NEEDS CHARITY fundraising event will be scheduled during each reign with all proceeds designated specifically for a women’s need charity. This show can be hosted by the reigning monarchs or by any member of the ISGC chosen by the monarchs as they so deem.]**
 - The PRINCE & PRINCESS BALL, hosted by the reigning Crown Prince and Crown Princess, with proceeds going into the Prince and Princess Pantry Fund.
[PROCLAMATION 5.2: The Crown Prince and Crown Princess Ball will be a Ball and not a Mini-Coronation.]
 - The CLOSET BALL, hosted by the reigning Emperor and Empress with the assistance of the previous year's winner(s) with proceeds going into the General Fund. Contestants for CLOSET BALL must never have performed in drag before to be eligible to compete. CLOSET BALL is a judged event, with rules to be pre-determined by Board of Directors.
[PROCLAMATION 26.5: The Closet Ball King and the Closet Ball Queen shall be required to attend two (2) fund raising activities during their reign and shall attend the Closet Ball at the end of their Reign in order for them to retain their titles.]
 - TURNABOUT, hosted by the reigning Crown Prince and Crown Princess, with proceeds going into the General Fund. CLOSET BALL and TURNABOUT may be held at the same time as a joint event,
[PROCLAMATION 38.7: In honor of our friend, Lee Easter, that the Annual Turnabout Show shall be known as “The Brionna Cracker Turnabout Show”.]
 - Two (2) PRINCE AND PRINCESS PANTRY FUND-RAISING EVENTS, hosted by the reigning Crown Prince and Crown Princess, with proceeds going into the Prince and Princess Pantry Fund.
 - The IDAHO CARES SHOW, hosted jointly by the reigning Monarchs and the Jimmy Moore Administrators, with proceeds going into the Jimmy Moore Fund.
 - Two (2) Jerry Swett Fund fundraisers, hosted by the Jerry Swett Fund Administrators, with proceeds going into the Jerry Swett Fund. One of these two fundraisers shall be the Lovers and Losers Ball held in February.
 - A FUNDRAISING EVENT, the type of event to be determined by the previous reign Monarchs, hosted by the previous reign, with proceeds as determined by the previous reign Monarchs going into either the ~~Step Down Pins Fund or~~ the Crowns, Medallions and Robes Fund or to a fund as determined by the Board of Directors.
 - THE MR. AND MISS GAY GEM STATE PAGEANT, hosted by the Board of Directors of the Imperial Sovereign Gem Court, with proceeds going into the General Fund.
 - Brunches and BBQs may be hosted by ISGC groups/committees and these shall be considered as pre-approved events.
 - INTRODUCTION TO THE CANDIDATES SHOW, hosted by the Board of Directors, held on or before the last Saturday in June, ~~immediately following the Screening Committee~~, with proceeds going into the General Fund.
 - Candidate Fund Raisers, the number to be determined by the candidates for the next Reign, with proceeds going into the General Fund. (See also Section 20.22)
 - In-Town-Show, hosted by the reigning Monarchs with the assistance of their designees, with proceeds going into the General Fund.
 - Out-of-Town Show, hosted by the reigning Monarchs with the assistance of their designees, with proceeds going into the General Fund.
 - HOSPITALITY at the annual Coronation shall be coordinated and hosted by the Monarchs of the prior Reign, with



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- proceeds from tips going into a charity fund of the host Monarchs choice.
- CORONATION, hosted by the Ball Chairs, with proceeds going into the General Fund.
- Victory Brunch, hosted by the outgoing reigning Monarchs, with proceeds going into the General Fund.
- Raffles, auctions and/or other fundraising events held in conjunction with any other authorized Court fundraiser may have these proceeds go into a different fund as previously determined by the hosts of the show or by the Monarchs.
- Emperor & Empress Potato Head Contest hosted by the Candidates with proceeds going to the Monarchs Travel Fund.



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- Coronation Bar Tour, hosted by the Monarchs or by whomever the monarchs choose, with proceeds to a fund(s) of the monarchs' choice.
- Coronation Water Party(s), hosted by out of realm court(s), with proceeds going to the Monarchs Travel Fund for the new reign.
- Cream the Crown hosted by the stepping down monarchs with proceeds going to the Monarchs Travel Fund for the new reign.

[PROCLAMATION 29.7The issuance of Proclamations declaring an official Court Function to be held by or hosted by future Reigning Monarchs during their reign is hereby prohibited.]

**ARTICLE XVIII - CAMPAIGNING AND VOTING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR EMPEROR, ~~AND EMPRESS,~~
CROWN PRINCE AND CROWN PRINCESS**

Campaigning and Voting –Applications and Qualifications

18.1 Applications shall be made available at the May General Court Meeting and must be submitted to the reigning Emperor, Empress or President of the Board of Directors by 8 PM one (1) day prior to the interview with the Screening Committee. An application submitted for Emperor or Empress may not be changed after the deadline has passed and the application has been submitted.

18.4.1 Applicants must have attended at least nine (9) out of the previous 12 Court meetings.

18.5 Applicants must be a resident of Idaho.

18.6 Applicants must be employed or have visible means of support. ~~Applicants shall show proof of their financial ability to afford the position at the Screening Committee.~~

18.12 The Screening Committee shall consist of an elected committee as follows:

- a) Board of Directors will elect:
 - The Reigning Emperor and the Reigning Empress shall be automatic members of the Screening Committee.
 - One (1) Emperor Member of the College of Monarchs,
 - One (1) Empress Member of the College of Monarchs,
 - One (1) past Crown Prince,
 - One (1) past Crown Princess,
 - One (1) Board of Director member at-large,
 - One (1) non-voting Board of Director member at-large, as Moderator
- b) The General Court will elect three (3) members of the Court
- c) The Screening Committee shall consist of a total of ten (10) voting members. Should no one be elected by the Board of Directors for one of the positions in a) above, the General Court shall elect additional member(s) of the Court to complete the Screening Committee membership of ten (10).
- d) Should a Screening Committee member elected herein not be able to fulfill their obligation and attend the Screening Committee, the Reigning Emperor, the Reigning Empress and the Moderator, together and in unison, shall be empowered to name a replacement from the exact category as listed in a) and b) herein to which the original Screening Committee member was elected, as there would be no time for a Court meeting to elect a new Screening Committee member. Failure to act in unison shall result in a blank position on the Screening Committee.

18.15.1 The Screening Committee will be provided by the Secretary of the Court each applicants attendance record for the prior twelve (12) months to verify qualification.

Campaigning and Voting – Write-in candidates

18.39 The Imperial Sovereign Gem Court will not recognize write-in candidates. A ballot for a write-in candidate shall not be tabulated or recognized and deemed void/invalid.

Coronation – Planning and budget

19.5 ~~Proclamations 2.2 and 4.1 shall apply~~ If the Monarchs have personally purchased their step-down pins then the following



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additional regulations shall apply:

- **[PROCLAMATION 2.2]\$1.00 will be added to the price of each Coronation ticket to help the Emperor and Empress toward the purchase of step-down pins.]**
- **[PROCLAMATION 4.1If Coronation makes a profit, \$1.00 from the price of each ticket will be given to the Emperor and Empress toward the purchase of step-down pins.]**

If the step-down pins are purchased through Court sponsored raffles, Proclamations 2.2 and 4.1 then the above Proclamations do not apply.



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Coronation – Complimentary Tickets

- 19.6 A maximum of three (3) free tickets to Coronation will be given each to the Reigning Emperor, to the Reigning Empress, to the Reigning Crown Prince and to the Reigning Crown Princess. If a Reigning Monarch position is vacant, the three (3) assigned free Coronation tickets shall not be given out by any other Reigning Monarch. The Reigning Monarchs must submit their list to the Board of Directors for its approval at the first Board of Directors Meeting in July prior to Coronation. In addition to the 12 Complimentary tickets herein enumerated, all Scholarship recipients will receive a complimentary ticket to Coronation, as set forth in elsewhere herein this Constitution. Honorary free tickets to Coronation may be given with the approval of the Board of Directors.
- 19.10 At either each Coronation, at the In-Town Show, Out of Town Show, Coronation or the Victory Brunch, as determined by the reigning Emperor and Empress, along with the Board of Directors, the Emperor, Empress, Crown Prince and Crown Princess shall present the following awards:
- **Carlos Flores Humanitarian or Community Service Award**, given to a member of the Community for outstanding service to the Community during the past reign.
 - The **Pride Award**, given to a member or organization of the community for outstanding Gay Pride.
 - The **Excellence of the Gem Award**, given to a member of the Court for outstanding service to the Court during the past reign.
 - The **"The Deanna Roberts Open Arms Award"**, given to an out of state person(s).
 - The **Mary Ann Kelly Lifetime Achievement Award**, given to an individual or organization whose dedication and persistent positive efforts within the Court merit recognition.
 - The Court Member of the Month and **Court Member of the Year Award**. The court member of the month award shall be chosen by the reigning monarchs and given at each monthly court meeting. The Court Member of the Year Award shall be chosen from the monthly recipients.
 - The **"Citizen of the Court for Life"**, given to a non-member of the Court. That person may be a resident from Idaho, from another state or from another Court.
 - The **Ball Chairperson's Award**, given by the Coronation Ball Chairperson to the individual who has been the most supportive to the Coronation.
- 19.14 The Crowning Ceremony will be known as the White Ceremony and the newly elected Empress, Emperor, Crown Prince and Crown Princess shall wear white as they are crowned. Participants in the Crowning Ceremony shall be in black, white or gold or a combination thereof.

ARTICLE XXIII - PROCLAMATIONS

- 23.2 Any Proclamation that makes additions to the Constitution or By-Laws must be in written form and approved by majority vote of the General Court Membership of the ISGC and does not violate State Statues as well as adheres to the procedures outlined in Article XXII.
- 23.5 Proclamations that make additions to the Constitution or By-Laws do not become effective until the completion of the Reign, once followed through via Article XXII procedures. Proclamations concerning lifetime titles become effective upon their reading at a regular or special Court meeting or at an official Court function. If a Monarch does not successfully complete their Reign, all Proclamations issued during their Reign become null and void.



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BOARD MEETING :: 17 voting members

Members: Minerva, Martini, Frankee, Tsunami, Carmine, Shaun, Craig, Reba, Eddie, Percilla, Glenn, Summer, Seranitee, Jackie, Douglas, Andrea, Vivica

Guests: Shamrock, Jordan, Anne, Veronica, Bridgette

Excused: JJ

Martini called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

Minerva stated that the Board needs to vote on the Prince choices. Shaun had been previously submitted. She stated that the person that was approached for Princess could not do it. Minerva suggested that, perhaps, that they could do dual Princes instead: same requirements as having a Prince and a Princess – no splitting of duties. Carmine would be the second Prince. Minerva has requested commentary on that scenario from the College. Chuck relayed his commentary on the aspect of doing it. Tsunami asked if both their titles would be Imperial Crown Prince 40 and Craig said yes.

Craig passed out ballots for voting on the concept of having two Princes. Martini tabulated and the vote tally on concept acceptance was "YES".

Carmine talked about himself and why he wanted the Prince 40 title. Shaun talked about himself and why he wants the Prince 40 title. A ballot vote was given for acceptance/denial of each candidate separately.

Vote tally for accepting Carmine as Prince: YES

Vote tally for accepting Shaun as Prince: YES

Minerva stated that she forgot to call the Scholarship winners until last night and now one person may not be able to get off work.

Minerva motioned for the person to be allowed to get the check even if she can't get to Coronation due to the late notice. Eddie seconded. <i>Motion Passed</i>		
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YEA: 17	NAH: 0	ABSTAIN: 0
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Meeting adjourned at 7:20pm.



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COURT MEETING :: 22 voting members

Members: Minerva, Martini, Frankee, Tsunami, Carmine, Shaun, Craig, Reba, Eddie, Percilla, Glenn, Summer, Seranitee, Jackie, Douglas, Andrea, Vivica, John, Viliam, Anne, Veronica

Guests: Shamrock, Jordan, Bridgette

Frankee called the meeting to order at 7:23pm

Moment of Silence for Monique Moore and Brenda Starr

First time guest: Jordan

Fruit Float is cancelled since the river is not opened for floating. Frankee suggested doing a BBQ at Quinn's Pond or getting people to their apt. complex to use their swimming pool. Decided to do a dinner at the Japanese restaurant at 6pm; Martini will handle the reservations.

Frankee mentioned that we still need at least 3 volunteers for Coronation security and 1 for the door and asked if anyone wanted to volunteer position. No takers.

Discussion ensued about the ISGCI walk and who's doing protocol. There was a confusion with whom was writing it up. It was decided that Tsunami would take on the task and compile it for Coronation.

Jackie asked about a finalization of who will carry in the Regalia during the Crowning Ceremony. Discussion ensued. The list would be compiled by Tsunami and submitted to Jackie for usage Coronation night.

Craig asked about what is needed from the storage unit. Frankee and the reign explained all the items needed for the weekend.

Viliam thanked Frankee for doing such hard and gave out a signed card for her.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03pm.