

OASIS BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

28 OCTOBER 2012 E.V. (Q4 2012)

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*Peace, Tolerance, Truth;
Salutation on All Points of the Triangle;
Respect to the Order.
To all whom it may concern: Greeting and Health.*

Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.

I. Opening

A. The meeting was opened in the Minerval at 1:15PM PDT.

B. In attendance:

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| 1) Frater Pralixus – Master | 6) Soror Fieri Facias – Member |
| 2) Frater LINA – Deputy Master | 7) Frater Kakoupat – Member |
| 3) Frater Djhwty – Treasurer | 8) Sister Emy – Member |
| 4) Frater IAO131 – Secretary | 9) Sister Mary – Member |
| 5) Sister Marlene – E.G.C. Coordinator | |

II. Secretary's Report

A. Reading of the Minutes of the last Business Meeting

- 1) Motion passed to table reading of Q3 Minutes until the next Business Meeting.

B. Review of status of pending action items

- 1) Formulation of the Ritual Committee. See Section IV below.
- 2) Selection of Man of Earth Representative. See Section VIII below.

C. Number of inquiries handled since last Business Meeting

- 1) 3 inquiries since 8/19

D. Ratio of inquiries to Info versus Master

- 1) Not many to Master's e-mail address; there is a good ratio so far.

E. Transition from Yahoo! to Google

- 1) Everyone that was on the Yahoo! public group has been invited to the new Google Group.
- 2) Currently 88 members on the Blazing Star Oasis public Google Group.

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3) The Members group is still on Yahoo! but we are eventually going to transfer this to Google as well.

F. Facebook Page update

1) 2,320 current "Likes"; ~1 post/day, each seen by an average of ~250 people

III. Initiation Secretary's Report

A. Initiations Completed

1) 3 0° Minerval initiations (8/24); 3 I° initiations (9/8)

B. Pending Applications

1) 6 live 0° applications, 3 are set to go (11/2); 3 live I° applications; 2 live II° applications, should be coming up in December

C. M··M··M·· participation and assisting with conferral of degrees

1) 2 active initiators at Blazing Star Oasis.

2) We tend to wait a little bit before scheduling II° and III° initiations.

IV. Ritual Committee Report

A. Roll-out of program, still in the process of being developed.

V. Webmaster's Report

A. Minutes from Q4 2011, Q1 2012, and Q2 2012 Business Meetings are online.

VI. Treasurer's Report

A. Financial Report

1) Beginning balance for Q3 (July 1 – September 30): \$3,876.61

2) Ending balance for Q3: \$2,904.74

3) Total income for Q3: \$2,798.81

4) Total expenses for Q3: \$3,370.68

5) Deficit of \$972

6) Quarters can be different because of dues coming in at different times.

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7) Financial plan for the future

a) Treasurer in the process of converting ledger to Quickbooks.

VII. EGC Coordinator's Report

A. Baptisms: 1; Confirmations: 2 Deacon ordinations: 1

D. For 2012, e.v.:

1) Baptisms: 7; Confirmations: 8; Deacon ordinations: 1

2) Priests: 12 (3 ordained, all visiting); Priestesses: 10 (3 ordained); Deacons: 22 (7 ordained); Positive Children: 19; Negative Children: 18; ~30 total active Clergy (Priest, Priestess, and Deacon)

E. Mass has been celebrated every week

VIII. Master's Report

A. Local Dues Program

1) Revamped structure: 3 tiers instead of 2

a) Membership unchanged except for increased dues amount.

b) Affiliates are for Minervals and/or Confirmed in EGC, largely unchanged except dues went up \$5

c) New level is Alliance for people to give financial aid, including people who are far away, aren't Minerval/Confirmed, etc. It has lowest level of benefits but is also eligible for checking out books from the Library with the Master's discretion.

2) Numbers of current dues-paying Allies, Affiliates, and Members

a) Allies: 3; Affiliates: 3; Members: 17 (4 are on some form of work-trade)

3) Current status against Oasis Project goal

a) Goal is \$600.; We started at ~\$285, we are now \$55 additional/month; We are now currently at \$350 at the old monthly rate and \$455 at the new monthly rate

i) ACTION ITEM: Master to print Local Dues-related items to give new initiates.

ii) ACTION ITEM: Put in Synopsis into new InSight, draw up Ad for later issues.

lii) ACTION ITEM: Treasurer & Master need to sit down and make sure the membership list is reconciled.

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B. MOE Representative now in place; selected as Chair

1) Announcement from the Chair MOE Representative Panel:

- a) We still don't have a really solid idea of what Delegates should do beyond hearing the thoughts of the MOE Triad.
- b) MOE Rep. Panel is giving the MOE an opportunity to speak up with any ideas/feelings on what they would like to see the Delegates doing.

IX. BATT Facility Report

A. Sofa has been repaired; Bookshelves expanded, more still desired; Negotiations in progress for projector to go with screen; Floor cushions acquired, rarely used, more wanted?; Whiteboard & corkboard available for front signage; Almost have a new veil structure; there is storage expansion, and office rearrangement planned

1) ACTION ITEM: Basic information (About us/What is OTO for front signage).

X. Scheduling

A. Scheduling for upcoming Meetings:

- 1) Community Visioning Discussion: Sunday 30 December 2012 at 1pm
- 2) Executive Meeting: Sunday 27 January at 1pm
- 3) Business Meeting: Sunday 10 February at 1pm

XI. Open Discussion

XII. Adjournment

A. Next meeting will be 1 PM prevailing time on Sunday 10 February.

B. Meeting adjourned at 2:37 PM prevailing time.

Love is the law, love under will.