

# **Krewe of St Andrews, Inc.**

## **Annual Membership Meeting Minutes**

March 18, 2016

### **I. Call to Order and Welcome:**

The Annual Meeting of the Krewe of St. Andrews, Inc. was called to order at 7:00 pm on March 18, 2016 in Panama City, FL by Pat George, President. Pat welcomed KOSA members in attendance and announced it was time to elect the 2017 Royal Court, select a Ball Theme and fill open KOSA Board positions. Approximately 105 members were in attendance and two guests, Mark and Danette Andersen, who were present to oversee the election balloting count.

### **II. Secretary:**

Ed Benner announced that Board meeting minutes were being posted to the Krewe website and encouraged the membership to review them and provide feedback.

### **III. Treasure's Report:**

Don Cox reported the balances of the general and building funds and affirmed that the Krewe is very solvent. Don pointed out that the "Cornerstone" program is coming to an end and encouraged members to consider stepping up to fill the gap and also think about ways to continue the Cornerstone legacy.

Don also announced that he had received two applications for membership during the evening social hour and there were two more apps pending submission raising the paid membership to 181.

### **IV. Announcements:**

**a.** Charlie Coram addressed a new item of compliance that Board members have to consent to a back ground check.

**b.** Al Kidd and Pam George provided a brief summary of the CDC grant program including the new website. The website is a major advertising or promotional portal to the Krewe and the local businesses that support the Krewe. Teaming with the CDC has become one of the most beneficial partnerships in which the KOSA has ever been engaged. The CDC has created a 15 and 30 second TV commercial promoting the St Andrews Mardi Gras which will air next year as part of the CDC 2017 advertising campaign.

**c.** Lori Cowan solicited volunteers to work the Gulf Coast Triathlon on May7, 2016. The Krewe earns \$350.00 for its participation and is given use of the GCT's barricades for the Mardi Gras parade.

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**d.** Second Chance requested the Krewe to participate in its 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Blessing of the Fleet and Sock Burning event at St. Andrews Marina April 9, 2016. The consensus of membership was the Krewe should participate in some manner. Charles Segrest plans to

solicit the Ambassadors to support and he will attempt to have a boat in the Fleet for a blessing and sock burning!

### **V. Recognize Floor for New Business:**

**a.** Charles Segrest reported the Ambassadors were meeting Thursday March 24, at 5:30 to stuff up to 5000 eggs. He encouraged everyone to bring candy. The egg hunt will take place at the Oakes on the Bay Park in St. Andrews Saturday March 26 at 930. Krewe members should show up at 7:30 to hide eggs.

**b.** Pam Isenberg announced that the Annual Draw Down is scheduled Saturday, October 22, 2016 at the Shaddai Temple. More details to follow.

**c.** Leslie Fuqua announced that Habitat for Humanity had received ten thousand square feet of hardwood flooring that was removed from a roller rink. She indicated it was in very good shape and proposed that the Krewe consider purchasing enough of the wood to install over the concrete floors of the Den. The membership voiced strong favor to acquire the material and the Board agreed to pursue the proposal.

**VI. Pre curser to Royal Elections:** The President announced that the Krewe was about to make history by celebrating its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary electing the 20<sup>th</sup> King, Queen and Royal Court. However, until last week no one had expressed their intentions to run for King, Queen or Royal Court Princess and Prince. A couple came forward with a request to honor the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary; that the Krewe approve allowing all past Kings and Queens willing and able to be appointed to the Royal Court. If the proposal was approved the couple vowed to run for King and Queen. For the record Pat presented the following resolution to the membership.

Board of Director's Resolution 31816:

“Be it resolved this day, March 18, 2016, that in honor and celebration of the Krewe of St. Andrews 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary all prior Kings and Queens willing and able are hereby appointed to serve as the honorary Royal Court throughout the 2016/2017 Mardi Gras season.”

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Following the reading the membership voted unanimous to approve the proposal. The President announced Vince and Cindy Bubolo as the couple and asked for the Membership's approval to elect Vince and Cindy as King and Queen. It was a unanimous yes vote by show of hand.

Next business was nominations for the 20<sup>th</sup> Krewe Theme. Several themes were offered; "20 Years and Growing; The Royal Roaring Twenties; Celebrating 20 Years – Carnival on the Bay; A Royal Flush, and 20 Years A Royal Affair". The unanimous vote by show of hand went to "20Years - A Royal Affair".

**VII: Elections:** Board of Directors: President Pat George presented the ballot which included three member at large positions and President Elect. Lucy Podolske, Charlie Coram and Don Cox were on the ballot for Member At Large. The President asked if there were any nominations from the floor and received one name, Pam Wiggins for Member At Large. Rebecca Barrow ran unopposed on the ballot for President Elect and Guy Ellis ran unopposed for President. Ballots were distributed to the membership. Members submitted their ballots to the nominating committee to be counted and for results to be announced prior to the conclusion of the Annual Meeting. The results –

President – Guy Ellis, President Elect – Rebecca Barrow, Members At Large – Lucy Podolske, Charlie Coram and Don Cox.

### **Adjournment:**

Don Cox presented a plaque to Pat George in recognition of his dedicated service to the KOSA as President 2015 – 2016.

President Guy Ellis adjourned the meeting at 8:15 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Ed Benner, Secretary