

ONYX SOUTHEAST

Monthly Business Meeting
March 6, 2021
Meeting ID: 268-304-8729
Password: ose2021

Minutes

I. Call to Order

- 4:11pm

II. Roll Call

Aludin ONYX	Deejay	Bahamut ONYX	Jamal ONYX
Hannibal ONYX	InTime ONYX	Jade ONYX	Merlin ONYX
Transformer ONYX	Sir Guy	Sir Yardie ONYX	HP ONYX
Twilight ONYX	Klauth ONYX	Nightshade ONYX	

III. Checking In – How are you doing?

- Everyone is doing well.

IV. Approval of Minutes

- Motion: Approval of minutes from February 6, 2021 meeting.
 - Resolved: Minutes from General Meeting on February 6, 2021 was approved without modifications.

V. Executive Reports

A. Secretary Report

- Nothing to report

B. Historian Report

- Nothing to report

C. Road Captain Report

- Nothing to report

D. Treasurer Report

- Balance: \$4386.11
 - Includes income from dues and business expenses.
- Dues has been extended until May 30, 2021.
- You can now pay your dues online through the Onyx Southeast website portal.

E. Sargent Master Report

- Preparing for the upcoming pledge line.
- Working on a syllabus for the pledges.
 - Will send it to the Executive Board for review / approval upon completion.
- Needing a pledge announcement for social media.

- According to Merlin ONYX, there is a generic pledge announcement. It's up to InTime ONYX if he wants an application deadline placed on the announcement. InTime ONYX and Hannibal ONYX will discuss further.
- Looking to open applications in March 2021, with possibly one or two meet-and-greets, with the body voting on the applicants for a line starting hopefully in June 2021 with the process ending September 2021.
- Had conversations with Master James Rawley, Sir Yardie, Everette, Stanley, Sir Guy, and the Founding Fathers regarding teachers and demo sessions.
- The pledges will read Leathersex. If anyone else has other book suggestions for the pledges, please let InTime ONYX know.
- Due to the pandemic, the bookwork may be done virtually, with mandatory in-person teaches and demos to follow.
- Wants to institute a pledge contract, outlining the exact course, expectations, duration of pledge process, etc. to be signed by pledges and enforced.
- There may be a regional field trip with the pledges.
- InTime ONYX will be reaching out to the brothers regarding being a big brother to the pledges.
- Wants to have a maximum of 10 pledges.
- Would like to institute an associate pledge process.
- The pledges' community service event may be AIDS/HIV-related.
- It was suggested that the pledges show proof of a negative Covid test within seven days of the in-person meetings and other covid precautions.
- It was also suggested ONYX-SE obtain a disclaimer / waiver to protect the organization against any potential covid-19-related lawsuits.
- Later in the meeting, it was suggested that the pledge process include a team building activity with the brothers.

F. Vice President Report

- Hannibal ONYX wants to clarify: the pledge process is being run by the Pledge master, InTime ONYX.
- Regarding the potential pledges, please be supportive when they contact you.
- Hannibal ONYX is transitioning back to Alabama, but will be as present as possible in the organization. He should be in Alabama full time by the end of March 2021.

G. President Report

- Nothing to report

VI. Old Business

A. SE Committees

- Merlin ONYX broke the meeting attendees out into their respective committees for 20 minutes.
- Until further notice, there will be designated time in each general meeting for the committees.
- Each committee will have the option to meet whenever it wants to.

VII. New Business

- A. No new business

VIII. Announcements

- A. All meetings will be on Zoom until further notice. The issues with the link will be fixed for future meetings.
- B. Blackout 26 has been postponed until 2022.
- C. International Ms. Leather and International Ms. Bootblack (IMsLBB): April 16-18, 2021 (virtual event).
- D. Mr. World Bear: August 19-22, 2021 in Memphis, TN.
 - Buddha ONYX will be competing this weekend. If you are able to support, please do so.
- E. International Mr. Leather and International Mr. Bootblack (IML): November 11-14, 2021 in Chicago, IL.
- F. Southeast Leather Fest (SELF): June 16-19, 2022 in Atlanta, GA.
- G. North American Bear (NAB): February 17-20, 2022 in Lexington, KY.

IX. Adjourn

- 5:45pm