

ONYX SOUTHEAST

General Body Meeting

August 6, 2022

Via Zoom

Minutes

- I. Call to Order
 - Meeting called to order by Uncle Jamal at 4:02pm*.

- II. Roll Call (15 Members)

Uncle Jamal (Vice-President)	Bliss ONYX	DeeJay
Alduin ONYX (Treasurer)	Tithoes ONYX	Zande ONYX
Ravenclaw ONYX (Historian)	Merlin ONYX	Hannibal ONYX
Jade ONYX (Road Captain)	Sir Yardie	Jupiter ONYX
HP ONYX (Secretary)	Quiet Storm ONYX	Saber ONYX

- III. Executive Reports
 - A. Historian Report
 - Nothing to Report

 - B. Secretary Report
 - Nothing to Report

 - C. Road Captain Report
 - The pledges had their first bar night experience at the Charlotte event (July 23, 2022).
 - During the Charlotte event, we raised \$90 (via Cash App) and \$270 (via cash) in raffle ticket sales and \$193 from jello shots.
 - Kinky Carnival has been moved to Labor Day weekend this year.
 - The pledges are wondering when their bar night will be and where since we still don't have a home bar (they'd like their bar night to be during Kinky Carnival.).
 - There will be 3 games (and prizes!) during Kinky Carnival, such as a kinky cornhole, a dick toss, and a spin-the-wheel game that's still being developed.
 - The Hideaway provided tents for the games.
 - There will be a carnival atmosphere, complete with decorations and a popcorn machine.
 - After 10pm, we can't have music outside at the Hideaway but we will be in charge of the music inside via playlists or a DJ.
 - Jade and his committee still need volunteers for demos.
 - There have been concerns about the rise in covid cases and monkeypox. Jade asked the body their opinions on proceeding with the event.
 - It was suggested that we proceed as planned with Kinky Carnival with some precautions, such as limiting the games and using sanitizing wipes, gloves and/or hand sanitizer.
 - It was also suggested that we limit the demos and that demo participants communicate their concerns and precaution to each other.
 - The scheduled beer busts on August 20, 2022 and August 27, 2022 in New Orleans have been cancelled.
 - The beer bust on August 27 will be replaced by a virtual bar night on August 27, 2022.
 - There will be several other virtual events held in New Orleans.

 - D. Treasurer Report
 - Current balance: \$3576.97
 - This amount does not include the money made in Charlotte.
 - As of this meeting, Alduin hadn't received the money from Twilight due to Twilight's health issues. Once Twilight is well, Alduin will collect the money.
 - The only expenditures have been the normal monthly bills.

 - E. Sargent Master Report
 - Nothing to Report.

- F. Vice President Report
 - Nothing to Report

- G. President Report (Given by Uncle Jamal)
 - The ONYX National Council is close to finalizing national by laws, policies and procedures.
 - Once completed, they will be distributed to chapter presidents for their chapters' review.
 - They will be voted on at AGM meeting during Blackout in October 2022.
 - The E-Board is doing a great job posting about monkeypox vaccinations. Be on the lookout for forthcoming information about vaccination events.
 - If you find vaccination information about another region, please post it.
 - Merlin suggested following your local board of health on Twitter for more vaccination information.
 - The Eagle situation is still in limbo.
 - Daddy Rod has been in touch with Richard recently; whenever there is confirmed information regarding the Eagle's new location, Daddy Rod will pass it on to us.
 - Until there is a new location for the Eagle, we will find new locations to host our events—excluding the Hideaway—after November or December.
 - Daddy Rod and Uncle Jamal are talking to the producer of the Daddy Rod Show to have a joint virtual info session focusing on monkeypox.
 - There would be a few public health officials from various states to discuss prevention and the vaccine.
 - They're shooting to have this event finalized by the end of next week. More details to follow.

IV. Old Business

- A. Leather Leadership Conference (LLC) (September 23-25, 2022)
 - At this date, the event is still happening.
 - We inquired about volunteer shifts during the conference for ONYX members and the pledges.
 - We will also have a cocktail party with music and ONYX punch. (Daddy Rod will confirm the date.)
- B. Blackout 27
 - At this date, the event is still happening.
 - We're waiting to hear from the planning committee concerning a statement about monkeypox and precautions and safeguards.

V. New Business

- A. Future Bar Nights
 - Kinky Carnival / Labor Day Weekend
 - At this date, this event is still happening.
 - We will continue to monitor the situation to see what's best for our members and supporters.
 - Please contact Jade if you're willing to do a demo during the event.
 - As part of the pledges' training, you will be paired with one to assist you.
 - Kinky Christmas
 - Daddy Rod has been looking at venues for the event, but the venues have been asking for a \$1000 deposit, which isn't in our budget.
 - For now, the event will be a bar night.
 - Aludin volunteered to reach out to Midtown Moon in hopes we can have some events there until the Eagle reopens.

VI. Announcements

- Mr. Louisiana Leather (New Orleans; Labor Day Weekend)
 - Quiet Storm is judging.
- Leather Leadership Conference (LLC) (September 23-25, 2022)
 - DeeJay will be bootblacking during LLC.
- World Bear Weekend (Orlando; September 23-25, 2022)
 - Buddha is running for World Bear.
- Atlanta Leather Pride (October 28–30, 2022)
 - If you wish to run for Mr. Atlanta Eagle or Mr. Southeast Rubber, please go to the website: www.atlantaleatherpride.com for more information.

- Leather History Preservation Weekend (Atlanta; November 4-6, 2022)
 - Daddy Rod is speaking during the event.
 - For more information, visit www.lhpfoundation.org .
- Mr. International Rubber (Chicago; November 4-6, 2022)
- MAL (Mid-Atlantic Leather) (Washington, DC; January 13-16, 2023)
 - Reservation at the host hotel requires you to purchase a full weekend pass to the event.

VII. Adjourn

- Meeting adjourned by Uncle Jamal at 4:34pm.

*Note: Daddy Rod was in the hospital. He notified the E-Board via email prior to the meeting. Twilight was absent from the meeting, also. He was home recuperating after an illness.