

ONYX SOUTHEAST

Monthly Business Meeting via zoom

August 8, 2020

Minutes

ID:268-304-8729

PW:ONYXSE

I. Call to Order:

- 4:20PM

II. Roll Call:

Merlin ONYX

InTime ONYX

Maven ONYX

Twilight ONYX

HP ONYX

Coolblood ONYX

Alduin ONYX

Transformer ONYX

boy ED

Nightshade ONYX

Sir Yardi ONYX

Hannibal ONYX

Jamal ONYX

De Xes ONYX

Bliss ONYX

Jade ONYX

Ghostrider ONYX

Buddha ONYX

Vision ONYX

Avatar ONYX

III. Checking In – How are you doing?

- Everyone said they are doing amazing and taking care of themselves during this pandemic. There was not any negative feedback or issues from any of the brothers.

IV. Approval of Minutes

- Motion: Approval of minutes from general meeting on June 6, 2020.
Resolved: Minutes from general meeting on June 6, 2020 was approved without modifications.
Vote: Unanimous

V. Executive Reports

a. Secretary Report

- Please read the ONYX Southeast newsletters that Merlin and Coolblood sent out monthly. If you have any question or concerns, please reach out to Merlin or Coolblood.

b. Historian Report

- No Report

c. Road Captain Report

- Thank you everyone who attended Daddy Dayz at the parliament house. It was a lot of fun and weekend full of fellowship. The next event will be an outside field day in September; Maven is currently still planning the field day and will update everyone when more information is available.
- The ONYX 25TH anniversary cabin trip will be in October since there is no blackout this year. Maven will create a poll in the group for those who are interested in going on the cabin trip. The poll will be up for 24 hours immediately following this

general meeting. After the poll expires, will plan the trip based on the final number of people who responded to the poll.

- Our brother Lionheart reached out to Maven yesterday asking if ONYX Southeast would be interested in sponsoring an erotic art show during September pride weekend. They are displaying the correlation between art and sexual freedom. If this is something anyone would be interested in, please let Maven know.

d. **Treasurer Report**

- Ghost rider received the receipts for Daddy Dayz and we currently have \$6,582.80 in our account.

e. **Sargent Master Report**

- No Report

f. **Vice President Report**

- Thank you everyone who attended Daddy Dayz at the Parliament House. It was special for us to renew our commitment to the community of Augusta, GA. Please always uplift brothers in non – Onyx or leather spaces. Please make sure our brand is always represented in a positive light. There should be no negative talk about another brother during and event or to anyone who not associated with ONYX. We should represent ourselves with dignity and respect, we must protect our brand.
- Hannibal expressed excitement that Maven ONYX mentioned a field day in September. Do not be afraid to social distance at public events or wear a mask. Your health and safety is are our top priority during these unique times.

g. **President Report**

- Two members of ONYX Southeast has decided to relinquish their patches and no longer with associated with the organization. These two former members are Ironman and Jah Holiday.

VI. Old Business

a. **Daddy Dayz Recap (Merlin Onyx)**

- Overall, we had a nice time at the parliament house. My biggest concern was their lack of precautions during a pandemic. They did not supply mask, gloves, sanitizer or do temperature checks. Onyx Southeast had to take the proper safety measures and provide all these things I listed above.
- We do not have a specific commitment to sponsor or host an event during Bears Fur All, which is September 24th -27th. We usually just donate a basket for them to raffle off during the weekend as a fundraiser. Merlin will reach out to Javier and discuss safety of the patrons and we can decide from there.

b. **Code of Conduct**

- I obtained a copy of the code of conduct from ONYX Mid – Atlantic. The code of conduct covers all ethical and unethical practices. For example, we all know consent and safety is a part of our core values. Furthermore, there is no sharing of anyone’s HIV status. This code of conduct will put us all on the same page and decrease the chances of problems arising for the organization in the future.
- **Motion:** Should ONYX Southeast adopt the code of conduct?
Resolved: Motion passed for ONYX Southeast to adopt the code of conduct.
Vote: twelve yes and two abstains.

c. **Committee Sign-up**

- Executive Committee
 1. Merlin ONYX (Chair)
 2. Coolblood ONYX

3. Maven ONYX
 4. InTime ONYX
 5. Ghostrider ONYX
 6. Sir Yardi ONYX
 7. Hannibal ONYX
- Activities Committee
 1. Maven Onyx (Chair)
 2. Transformer ONYX
 3. InTime ONYX
 4. Twilight ONYX
 5. Buddha ONYX
 6. Nightshade ONYX
 - Outreach Committee
 1. Hannibal ONYX (Chair)
 2. De Xes ONYX
 3. Jade ONYX
 - Finance Committee
 1. Ghostrider ONYX (Chair)
 - Education Committee
 1. (Chair Open)
 2. InTime ONYX
 3. Hannibal ONYX
 4. De Xes ONYX
 5. Sir Yardie ONYX
 - By – Laws – Committee
 1. (Chair Open)
 2. Jamal ONYX
 3. Vision ONYX
 4. boy ED
 - Mediation Committee
 1. (Chair Open)
 - ONYX Kares (Sir Yardie)
 1. Sir Yardie ONYX (Chair)
 2. Twilight ONYX
 3. Avatar ONYX
 - Communication committee
 1. Coolblood ONYX (Chair)
 2. HP ONYX
 3. Buddha ONYX
 4. Alduin ONYX
 5. Ray ONYX

VII. New Business

a. ONYX SE Calendar – Alduin ONYX

- Merlin ONYX- Alduin ONYX has presented an idea for us to create an ONYX Southeast twelve-month calendar that he wants to sell to the public for profit. We do not have meeting in September so we need to vote today on whether ONYX Southeast will produce a twelve-month calendar.
- Motion: ONYX Southeast to produce a twelve-month calendar.
Resolved: Motion carried for ONYX Southeast to produce a twelve-month calendar.

Vote: 82.4% yes and 17.6% no.

b. **Fall Fellowship Ideas**

- **Maven ONYX has planned a fall field day**
- **Cookout for brothers and everyone has to pre-register for the barbeque.**
- **We can volunteer at a homeless shelter or do a food/clothing drive.**
- **Hannibal ONYX- We need to start planning for the up and coming holiday season and 2021 as well.**
- **Boy ed- The out-film festival is September 24th through October 4th online this year. This year they need sponsors for the festival; amazing for ONYX Southeast to sponsor a film produced by a person of color. Boy Ed will reach out and let everyone know what some good films for us to sponsor. Also, can we donate money to a women's shelter or another unique organization that needs helps during this pandemic.**

VIII. Announcements

- ALL MEETINGS ON ZOOM UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**
- No meeting in September; next is October**
- ~~Southeast Leather Fest (SELF) – 9/24 – 9/27~~**
 - **SELF is cancelled this year**
- Bears Fur All - 9/24 – 27**
- IML 2020 Cancelled; will resume next year 5/27 – 5/31/21**

IX. Adjourn

- **5:46pm**