

BLACKOUT LEATHER PRODUCTIONS

Board Minutes

Sunday December 16th, 2012

1pm – Catalyst Art & Culture Space

4810 NE Garfield Ave, Portland OR

Board Members Present: Thom Butts, Brent Seeley, Mack McCall, Justin Britton, Tobin Britton, Gary Klein, Dominic Chevalier, and Gene Sanders

Title Holders Present: Danny Cage (arrived late)

Absent: Michelle Harris, and Sammy

Guest present: None

Secretary's Report

Mack reported that he posted the corrected October 2012 minutes and the November 2012 minutes. No one identified any corrections to be made to the November minutes. Gary made a motion to accept the November 2012. Tobin seconded that motion. Voting in favor of the motion was: Thom, Brent, Justin, Tobin, Gary, Dominic, and Gene. Mack abstained. There were no negative votes cast. The motion to approve the November 2012 minutes passed.

Mack reported that he updated the contact list, but Danny's mailing address was missing. Board members & titleholders should verify their contact information found at

<<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/blackoutleather/files/>> with the file named "BLP Board Contacts Dec 2012.xls"

Treasurer's Report

Justin made the following report:

Treasurer's Report
For December 2012

Our starting balance was \$5,772.53 November 18th, 2012.

Deposits / Credits made during the last month included:		
11/09/12	OSBB 2012 Monies Raised	\$63.00
	BLLS 90% = \$56.70	
	BLLP 10% = \$6.30	
11/19/12	Ms. OSL 2012 Monies Raised	\$85.53
Checks written / Debits made during the last month included:		
11/18/12	Brent Sotley	Check 854
	Reimbursement for Table Fees for ISBC	\$46.06
11/18/12	The Boys in Leather Service - Rose City	Check 855
	Charity Payout for October and November	\$112.50
	OSBB 2012 Monies Raised	

The Current Allocation of Funds reflect the following:

Bank Account Balance:	\$5,782.50
Blackout Monetary Assets:	\$5,115.67
Mr. Travel Fund	\$ 257.62
Ms. Travel Fund	\$ 229.21
BB Travel Fund	\$ 180.00

Tobin made a motion to accept the December 2012 Treasurer's report. Dominic seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was: Thom, Brent, Mack, Tobin, Gary, Dominic, and Gene. Justin abstained. There were no negative votes cast. The motion to approve the December 2012 Treasurer's report carried.

Titleholder's Reports

Danny arrived just as board members were starting to discuss the titleholder reports that they received by email.

Mr. Oregon State Leather:

This month i have

- Hosted November lure
- Worked on December lure
- Started taking with nw leather Sir Quinn for January lure
- Started working on my fundraiser (thinking of doing it in march)
- Still trying to procure items for sash bash

In leather

Danny cage

Board members discussed with Danny what they can do to help him with his events.

Since the other titleholders were not present and their reports were posted to the Yahoo group, it was decided to forgo the reading of the reports.

Ms. Oregon State Leather:

Hello all....i will not be able to attend this months meeting as i have already committed my time from 1130 am - around 430 pm to the PLA Holiday Social at Hobo's. (Hint, hint, please stop by if you are in the mood for spank a long carols and good food and great people).

Here is what i have done since our last meeting:

11/24/12: Seattle Leather Daddy and Daddy's boy contest

12/2/12: The Oregon Bears Holiday show with my fabu co-auctioneer Tobin

12/4/12: PLA Board meeting

12/7/12: Private party

12/8/12: Fancy Pants a fundraiser for Nik Kiels' top surgery

i will be doing the following this coming weekend...

12/14/12: Private party

12/15/12: Prince and Princess ball at Body Vox.

i have more donations in the box and i can get them to a board member if needed before the next meeting.

i am working on getting my workshop together. Working on doing a Female Genitoture class. Location and presenters TBD soon.

Also i am working on possibly doing a possible Blackout Bingo at the Ember's Ave. after the holiday season. (Still working on the equipment, etc)

Ok....you all know how to get in touch with me if you need me....

Happy Holidays to you and your families!

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Ms Oregon State Leather 2012

Oregon State Bootblack:

Sammy Nov-Dec

What I have done this month.

Weekly BILS Fundraiser

(110 Dollars)

11/18 – Deacon X

11/23 Daddy Boy meet and great

11/24 Daddy Boy Contest

11/30 DIC happy hour

12/8 Dirty Playground

12/12 Sun and liam's Collaring

12/14 Cigar and Scotch Social

12/15 Masquerade Ball

Old Business:

NW Sash Bash 2013- Dominic reported on the following:

Formal Dinner: Not much luck finding a place. Dominic contacted several places and found them to be unsuitable, mostly because of costs or meal contracting requirements. Tobin suggested contacting Hobo's.

Meet & Greet @ Eagle: Dominic reported that he tried several times & methods of contacting John who is the manager at the Eagle PDX, but have not heard back from him. There is concern that the Eagle is no longer interested in hosting leather events. Dominic said he will go to the Eagle in person to get an answer after the BLP board meeting. He also will be contacting the Local Lounge located on MLK Boulevard to see if they could host this event as an alternative site.

Leather Invasion: This event at Pittock Mansion was reported to be the easiest. No problems reported.

Show: Portland Tycho has declined to perform for us. Still looking to get live music at the Embers for the show. Tobin said Sir Hugh will do a live demo and Karen Hu will do a performance as well. Tobin also suggested SNEAKIN'OUT to play <<http://sneakinout.com>>

Gear Party: Tentatively set for the Eagle PDX, but subject to the same problem as the Meet & Greet, in that we have not received confirmation from the manager of the Eagle.

PLM Brunch: not officially confirmed but not expected to be a problem with Les & Rick. Dominick will be confirming with them tomorrow.

New Business:

Domain renewal – <<http://NWSashBash.org>>: Thom asked Justin if this was part of the 2013 budget. Thom tabled this item until the January 2013 board meeting

Valentines from Hell: Thom said that this is the 30th anniversary of VfH. Daddy Frank / Frank Schreckenberger expects there will be a big turnout for it and requests that our titleholders call him and reserve a place in the show line up. Daddy Frank's phone number is #503-438-8555.

Brent sent out via the BLP email group, a proposed change of wording to the BLP operations manual regarding the nomination process of the Rose and Thorn Awards:

--- SECTION D - Currently

- 1. Nominations are to be gathered from the Leather Community, the BLP Board and Titleholders, for all categories by electronic means or in person at July board meeting.*
- 2. Deadline for receiving all nominations will be the last board meeting before Leather Pride Week. Nominations should be open for at least two weeks prior to deadline.*
- 3. Voting deadline for Community Choice should be at least one week prior to Victory Brunch.*
- 4. The Community Choice Award shall be determined by the votes received from the Leather Community, as defined by the BLP Board.*
- 5. Voting for all other categories will be done by BLP Board in a closed session at last board meeting prior to Leather Pride Week.*

---SECTION D - Proposal-----

- 1. Prior to the board meeting preceding Oregon Leather Pride, nominations for all categories are to be gathered from the Leather Community. Nominations should be open for at least two weeks prior to deadline.*
- 2. Voting for all categories other than Community Choice will be done by the BLP Board in a closed session at the last board meeting prior to Oregon Leather Pride.*
- 3. Prior to announcing winners or Community Choice nominees, each will be contacted to accept the nomination/award.*
- 4. The Community Choice Award shall be determined by the votes received from the Leather Community as defined by the BLP Board. The deadline for the Community Choice vote should be at least a week before the Victory Brunch.*

There was a brief discussion of this proposal. Board members asked that it be tabled until the next board meeting.

Next meeting of the BLP Board – Jan 20th, 2013, at 1pm at place to be announced (*tentatively scheduled for Catalyst Art & Culture Space*).

Good of the Order: Thom announced that a PLA social is going on at Hobo's today. There is also a holiday potluck at the Catalyst Art & Culture Space.