

**Blackout Leather Productions, Inc. Board Meeting**

Sunday, December 21, 2014

Meeting called to order at 1:15 p.m. @ The Catalyst

**BOARD MEMBER ATTENDANCE:**

Tobin Britton, Justin Britton, Dominic Chevalier, Gary Klein and boy Kevin

Titleholder: Shawna

Absent: Stormy and Titleholder Steven

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

- Justin made the motion to accept the November minutes. Gary seconded the motion and the board members present carried the motion unanimously and Dominic abstained.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

November 2014

Starting balance was: \$7,098.34 October 19, 2014.

Deposits / Credits made during the last month included:

11/26/14	OLP Reimbursement	\$25.77
	Portland Leathermen	

Checks written / Debits made during the last month included:

10/21/14	GoDaddy.com	\$109.49
	1 Year Web Hosting Renewal	

Travel Fund Activity:

Mr. Travel Fund - \$0.00

Ms. Travel Fund - \$0.00

BB Travel Fund - \$0.00

The Current Allocation of Funds reflect the following:

Bank Account Balance:	\$6,988.85
Blackout Monetary Assets:	\$6,711.61
Mr. Travel Fund	\$ 139.18
Ms. Travel Fund	\$ 119.73
BB Travel Fund	\$ 18.33

- Gary made the motion to accept the amended November treasurer's report. Dominic seconded the motion and the board members present carried the motion unanimously and Justin abstained.

December 2014

Starting balance was: \$6,988.85 November 29, 2014.

Deposits / Credits made during the last month included:

12/3/14	Bootblack Travel Fund Donation Fundraiser by Dara Bryant	\$157.00
12/15/14	Bootblack Travel Fund Donation Donated by Shawn Patrick & Pup Achilles	\$61.00
Checks written / Debits made during the last month included:		
11/29/14	Theresa "Darklady" Reed Catalyst Rental for Board Retreat	\$50.00

Travel Fund Activity:

Mr. Travel Fund - \$0.00  
Ms. Travel Fund - \$0.00  
BB Travel Fund - \$218.00

The Current Allocation of Funds reflect the following:

Bank Account Balance:	\$7,182.62
Blackout Monetary Assets:	\$6,687.38
Mr. Travel Fund	\$ 139.18
Ms. Travel Fund	\$ 119.73
BB Travel Fund	\$ 236.33

- Gary made the motion to accept the December treasurer's report. Dominic seconded the motion and the board members present carried the motion unanimously and Justin abstained.

**TITLE HOLDERS REPORT:**

**Mr. OSL**

December 06 - PDX-PAH Second Anniversary Party and Benefit  
December 13 - ISRC of Portland P & P Ball & Investitures  
December 14 - Oregon Bears Holiday Community Show

Up Coming Events

January 18 - The second annual NW Fierce Pageant benefiting CAP  
January 31 - White Knight and Debutante Pageant – Judge

**Ms. OSL**

I am including October as well, since I did not attend November's board meeting.

October 31 - Naughty & Nice (Analog)

November 15 - Tacoma Coronation (Poodle Dog Restaurant)  
November 24 - Talking Kink: Bootblacking (Q Center)

December 06 - PDX-PAH 2nd Anniversary Party (Pdx Eagle)  
December 09 - Bad Girls December Munch (Radio Room)  
December 13 - PDX P&P Ball/Investitures (Bossanova)  
December 14 - Emperor's Tree Decorating (Commodore Lounge)

December 14 - Oregon Bears Holiday Show (Darcelle's)

### **OLDBUSINESS:**

#### Sponsorship

- Tobin tabled the sponsorship topic.

#### Calendar – Turn in Money

- No money was turned in.

#### Back to Black – Dominic

- The Back to Black event will take place May 2, 2015. It will be a one night dinner event versus a three day event. Location to be determined.
- Dominic, Shawna and Steven met to discuss catering ideas and entertainment options.
- Steven sent information to the Bossanova Ballroom. The Bossanova Ballroom requests \$3000 to commit on the liquor and \$2000 for the rental usage.
- Dominic is researching other venues.

#### Web hosting update – Justin

- Justin informed the board members that Blackout Leather Productions is up to date for another year.
- Justin has recreated the Mr. OSL, Ms. OSL, and Bootblack page.
- Currently the front page is not updated.
- The board decided to keep the link page.
- The Gallery – Tobin asked the board whether to keep the Gallery on the website or move it to a file for the posters? No decision has been made.
- Time frame to launch the new page has not yet been determined.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### Proposed Amendments to the Operations Manual

#### SECTION E. POWER AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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d. The power to bestow the titles Mr. & Ms. Oregon State Leather, **Oregon State Bootblack and Oregon State Puppy.**

e. The power to remove the titles of Mr. & Ms. Oregon State Leather; **Oregon State Bootblack, Oregon State Puppy.**

f. The power to determine the method of selection of Mr. & Ms. Oregon State Leather, **Oregon State Bootblack and Oregon State Bootblack.**

g. The power to approve or disqualify applicants for the titles of Mr. & Ms. Oregon State Leather, **Oregon State Bootblack and Oregon State Puppy.**

h. The power to determine the place and time of these functions:  
(1) Mr. & Ms. Oregon State Leather, **Oregon State Bootblack and Oregon State Puppy.**

k. The power to control the nature of, place of, and time of any and all functions of BLP;

- l. The power to exclusively interpret and adjudge any question or dispute which arises concerning these Bylaws and Operations Manual;
- m. The power to remove any Board member for good cause;

## 2. Responsibilities.

- a. The Board of Directors shall be responsible to:
  - (1). Handle all business of BLP in a manner indicative of sound business practice and consistent with BLP ideals as stated above;
  - (2). Issue the annual financial report at the January meeting of BLP;
  - (3). Create, supply, and review all applications for Board Members;
  - (4). Create, supply, and review all applications for Mr. & Ms. Oregon State Leather, **Oregon State Bootblack and Oregon State Puppy.**
  - (5). Use the work history as one means of determining an applicants financial stability and that an applicants failure to comply with this request be used as a means of ineligibility for that year;
  - (6). Oversee the annual contest for Mr. & Ms. Oregon State Leather, **Oregon State Bootblack and Oregon State Puppy.**
  - (7). Provide each new titleholder with a medallion and back patch stating the title and year. They shall be the property of BLP until the successful completion of the title year, after which they shall become property of the titleholder.

## ARTICLE II TITLED POSITIONS

### SECTION A.

The BLP, which is registered with the Corporation Commissioner of the State of Oregon shall control the following titles; Mr. & Ms. Oregon State Leather, **Oregon State Bootblack and Oregon State Puppy.** There shall be no sharing of titles and each title shall be held by one (1) individual at a time. The method of selection of persons to hold...

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### SECTION B. Mr. & Ms. Oregon State Leather, **Oregon State Bootblack, Oregon State Puppy**

#### 1. Eligibilities and Qualifications

- a. All applicants must have been a resident of the State of Oregon or **Clark County Washington** for a minimum of six (6) months immediately preceding their application for candidacy; unless granted an exemption by the BLP Board;

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(5b). **Puppy Brown Bag Fantasy: This category scores a puppy on the creative and playful ways a contestant utilizes a surprise bag of toys. Total points=300**

- (1) **A joint function is defined as a function hosted by all titleholders.**
- (2) **BLP shall not disburse any funds toward sending an individual titleholder to their respective international or national competition until after the titleholders individual required fundraiser has been completed & the groundwork for the joint fundraiser has been completed. This includes date, theme & venue (must have BLP signed contracts**

for venue). This must be done at least 30 days prior to individuals International Competition. BLP shall not disburse any funds toward sending any individual titleholder to their respective international, national or regional competition until after successful completion of their title year.

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#### SECTION A. Income

1. Mr. & Ms. Oregon State Leather Contest, Oregon State Bootblack and Oregon State Puppy.

a. This contest shall qualify the titleholders to compete in International, national and/or regional contests.

#### SECTION B. Expenses, misc.

1. International/national/regional Competitions. Current titleholders may at their own discretion, compete at the International Mr. Leather and the International Ms. Leather Competitions, or at National and/or regional competitions such as American Brotherhood Weekend or Northwest Puppy.

#### Proposed Amendments to Titleholder Contract

Blackout Leather Productions of Oregon, Inc. (hereafter Blackout Leather or BLP), is incorporated in the State of Oregon and shall control the following titles; Mr. & Ms. Oregon State Leather , Oregon State Bootblack and Oregon State Puppy (hereafter OSL, OSB, OSP or collectively, Titleholders).

#### **TITLEHOLDER'S BOARD DUTIES:**

Mr. & Ms. OSL/OSB/OSP are each required to submit to the Board of Blackout Leather a monthly titleholder's report. This shall include the previous month's activities & events relevant to the title and upcoming activities and activities relevant to the title.

Mr. & Ms. OSL/OSB/OSP are required to attend Blackout Leather's monthly board meetings.

Mr. & Ms. OSL/OSB/OSP shall conduct themselves at all times in a manner befitting the Leather Community.

Mr. & Ms. OSL/OSB/OSP are required to wear sash, vest, medallion or whichever is appropriate to represent the title and Blackout Leather Productions when out in the community.

#### **TITLEHOLDER'S FUNDRAISING DUTIES:**

Mr. & Ms. OSL/OSB/OSP are each required to choose one primary charity for their fundraising during their title year. The Titleholders should contact and maintain a working relationship with their charity. The charity must be an IRS approved 501(c)3, as well as get BLP Board approval.

Mr. & Ms. OSL/OSB/OSP are each required to produce one educational event.

Mr. & Ms. OSL/OSB/OSP are required to produce one individual and one joint fundraising event during his/her title year, with net proceeds, minus 10%, going to title-holder's charity of choice.

Mr. & Ms. OSL/OSB/OSP shall be responsible to sell advertisements for the annual Contest Program.

**TITLEHOLDER'S REQUIRED APPEARANCES:**

**Mr. & Ms. OSL/OSB/OSP 2015** are required to make appearances at the following community events:

**Imperial Sovereign Rose Court's Coronation** (October 2015)

**The "Valentines from Hell" annual fundraising show** (February 2015)

**Back To Black** (TBD 2015)

**Portland's annual Pride Parade** -you are required to march with BLP (June 2015)

**OR Leather Pride and Mr. & Ms. OSL & OSB contest 2015** - (August 2015)

There are many other worthy events in Portland, in the Northwest and beyond. You are encouraged to attend as many as you are able, however all other appearances are by your choice.

- Voting for the proposed amendments will take place at the January 18, 2015 board meeting.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

Next meeting: Sunday, January 18, 2015 at 1:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. @ the Catalyst

Meeting adjourned at 2:19 p.m.